

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th March 2024 held in Walesby Village Hall

Meeting opened 6:30pm

Present: Cllr Smith Cllr Whittaker-Smith Cllr Allan

1. **To receive and accept apologies for absence**

None received

2. **To receive declarations of interest**

None received

24/18 To confirm the minutes of previous Parish Council Meeting

The minutes were accepted.

Prop: Cllr Allan

Sec: Cllr Whittaker-Smith

decision was unanimous

24/19 Clerk's report on items from the previous meeting

- Tuke Tree Services have submitted their advice along with a quote for the works for the trees between the allotment and Pocket Park which are causing issues with over shadowing of some allotment plots. It was decided that the quote should be accepted and the work carried out asap.
- Cllr Smith has instructed a contractor to look at and fix the large gate into the allotment.

Standing orders were suspended to enable Cllr Wildgust to provide an update on a couple of things from Newark & Sherwood District Council, including the fact that N&SDC had now fully arranged their Gypsy Roma Traveller space allocations. Standing orders were resumed.

24/20 To discuss gas & electricity contracts offered by the broker

Following a discussion it was decided to not do anything yet as the current contracts expire in September and October and indications were that prices may fall, this seemed to be the trend from the quotes that the Clerk had received over the past couple of months. It was decided to add this subject to the agenda for the July meeting.

24/21 To discuss & award Grounds Maintenance Contract from the tenders received.

Three tender packs had been sent out, to those who requested them.

Following a discussion and review of the tenders which had been returned it was decided to award the contract for the coming financial year to J. Gardiner.

Prop: Cllr Whittaker-Smith

Sec: Cllr Allan

decision was unanimous

24/22 Planning: To discuss any received planning applications

- Planning Appeal for the change of use of land to Travellers Caravan Site on Land East of Retford Road. Clerk asked to reiterate the Parish Councils comments on the planning applications to the Planning Inspectorate also adding that it is believed that both Bassetlaw District Council and Newark & Sherwood District Council have sufficient allocation for the Gypsy Roma Traveller community meaning that extra pitches are not required in the area. Clerk will also ask to be informed of any updates for the appeal.

24/23 Payments for approval

All payments were approved

Prop: Cllr Allan

Sec: Cllr Whittaker-Smith

decision was unanimous

24/24 To receive items for information and future meetings

The next Hemlock treatment is due to take place on 16th April 2024.

24/25 To suspend standing orders for public participation

None present

24/26 Time and date of next meeting

Thursday 4th April 2024 at 6:30 pm in Walesby Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 7:07 pm