

## **ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE**

**A Meeting of the Allotments Committee was held in the Town Hall, Stokesley on Tuesday 25 October 2022 commencing at 7 pm**

### **Allotment Committee Membership**

Cllrs David Oxley, Martin Luxton, Graham Sowerby and Andy Wake.

**Present:** Cllrs David Oxley, Graham Sowerby and Andy Wake.  
Julie McLuckie – Town Clerk

### **1/25/10/22 NOTICE OF MEETING**

The notice convening the meeting was taken as read.

### **2/25/10/22 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

None present.

### **3/25/10/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None received.

### **4/25/10/22 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

**RESOLVED** that Cllr Graham Sowerby be appointed as Chairman.

### **5/25/10/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

None declared.

### **6/15/07/21 TERMS OF REFERENCE**

**RESOLVED** that the Terms of Reference were agreed as correct, however, it was noted that we currently only have four members when the terms of reference state we should have five. To be addressed at the next Town Council meeting.

### **7/25/10/22 MINUTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 15 JULY 2021**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes from the meeting held on the 15 July 2021 be agreed.

### **8/25/10/22 FORWARD PLAN FOR 2022/23**

**RESOLVED** that skips be placed on site at least twice a year to enable the disposal of rubbish to ensure the site remains clean and tidy. The entrance gate has been repaired but may require further work to the post next year. To arrange for the removal of the old barrier at the entrance to the allotments as it is no longer used. The boundary hedge to be cut back as it is currently overhanging several of the gardens.

**9/25/10/22 VOLUNTEER CARETAKER ROLE**

**RESOLVED** that Mr Sean Speight be appointed as the Allotments Caretaker, the Clerk would arrange for him to sign the agreement and promote his appointment to all the Allotment Tenants, so they know who to speak to regarding any problems.

**10/25/10/22 ALLOTMENT RENT REVIEW AND BUDGET REQUIREMENTS FOR 2023/23**

**RESOLVED** that the budget for next year would be as follows:-

**Income** - £2610 income from Allotment Rents (if all are taken and require no work, however, it was agreed that once the notice has been served on the plots that are currently in a poor state of repair that they be offered free of charge for the year to the next people on the waiting list and that the current tenant would not receive their deposit back).

**Expenditure** - £1050 – Allotment Rent to Lady Hullocks Trust, £400 – Water leaving £1160 for Allotments Maintenance. It was agreed to contact all the tenants to see if there are any issues or improvements that they would like to see addressed next year.

Based on this information and taking into account the current financial climate and the negative impact this is having on households it was agreed that the Allotment Rents should remain the same for 2024.

The meeting closed at 7.45 pm.

Signed .....Date .....