

BARROWBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Barrowby Allotment Committee Meeting held on Monday 20 January 2025 at 7:15pm in the Reading Room, Church Street, Barrowby

In attendance:

Ian Chambers (Vice Chairman)
Mark Cherry (Chairman)
Councillor Nigel Eaton

Officer in attendance:

Sharon Pyke (Locum Parish Clerk)

PUBLIC FORUM at 7:15pm: No members of the public were present

1. **WELCOME REMARKS (24/019)**

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting and wished those present a happy new year

2. **ELECTION OF MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE AND DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE (24/020)**

Mary Lightfoot had submitted her apologies for this evening's meeting with the declaration of acceptance of office outstanding. The acceptance of office form to be signed at the next meeting.

3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & REASONS GIVEN (24/021)**

Apologies were received from David and Mary Lightfoot, Vi and Pete King, Stefan Pcola and Councillor David Joseph

4. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 (24/022)**

No declarations were made

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES (24/023)**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Allotment Committee meeting held on 16 September 2024

6. **SITE REPORT (24/024)**

6.1. The Chairman shared details of the site report:

- the slab path to the toilet has been completed
- there are still potholes still to be filled
- the lifted speed ramp to be fitted weather permitting
- the annual boundary inspection will take place to identify any gaps in the fence and hedging especially on the paddock boundary

6.2. Following a complaint from a resident regarding smoke. It was investigated and found not to have emanated from the allotments. It was **RECOMMENDED** that the current rules for incineration and bonfires remain unchanged.

7. FINANCES (24/025)

7.1. Members noted the 2024/25 expenditure to date

7.2. The locum clerk updated the committee that the responsible financial officer (formerly the clerk) continued to research potential grant sources

8. ALLOTMENT ALLOCATIONS, PLOT REPORT AND WAITING LIST (24/026)

8.1 No resolution was taken to move into closed session in accordance with the Public Bodies Act 1960 as the information to be discussed was not of a confidential nature

8.2 It was **NOTED** that there is a waiting list of 5. Priority is given to Barrowby residents then existing Barrowby allotment plot holders and then non-Barrowby residents.

8.3 The plot report was **NOTED** and the Chairman commented that the site is currently operating fine

8.4 The meeting continued in open session

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING (24/027)

Monday 17 March 2025 at 7.15pm in the Reading Room

The meeting closed at 7.43pm