

Minutes of the meeting of Ackworth Parish Council's Allotments Subcommittee, held at the Parish Council Community Centre, Bell Lane, Ackworth, on Friday 18 February 2022 commencing at 10am

Present: Cllr J Bell in the Chair
Cllrs T Hames and T Hollyhead

Tenant Representatives: S Clifton, K McCluskey, B Richmond and N Richmond

1. Confidential Items

1.1. Plot inspections

It was reported that plot inspections had been carried out on 16 February.

1.2. Tenancy Renewals and Water Charge

The water payment per half plot covers the allotment water bill for 2021.

It was agreed to recommend to the Parish Council that the rent payment is increased by £1 per full plot and 50 per half plot \ concession.

Type of Garden	Rent for the garden	Contribution to Water Bill	Total Payable to Parish Council
Residents			
Full Garden	£19.00	£5.20	£24.20
Half Garden	£10.50	£2.60	£13.10
OAP's 65 & over Full Garden	£10.50	£5.20	£15.70
OAP's 65 & over Half Garden	£6.50	£2.60	£9.10
Non-Residents			
Full Garden	£30	£5.20	£35.20
Half Garden	£15	£2.60	£17.60

2. To receive apologies for absence

2.1. Apologies were received from Cllrs M Galvin and Mrs S Hollyhead and Tenant Representative P Palmer

3. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

- 3.1. To receive declaration of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda
- 3.2. To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)
- 3.3. To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None to receive

4. To note the minutes held on 19 November 2021

4.1. The minutes were noted

5. To discuss the management of unkempt plots

5.1. The Chair reported that an inspection had been carried out on 16 February and the next inspection will be carried out in April.

5.2. It was reported that there was an increase in rat activity at the allotment. Pest Control continue to visit each month. It was agreed that contact would be made with the Pest Control Officer to see if any additional action can be taken.

6. To review new lettings and the waiting list

6.1. It was reported that there are currently 18 people on the waiting list and that they are currently 6 vacant plots awaiting re-let.

7. To receive updates from Brackenhill Allotment Association

- AGM is being held at the end of February
- The Committee are looking to hold all of its usual events in 2022
- It was agreed that the pumpkin planting day would take place on Saturday 23 April

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 11am