

TOWN & POORS CHARITY FIELD MINUTES of the Meeting Thursday 18th March 2021 at 20.59 hrs (following the Parish Council meeting) by Zoom videoconference (due to social distancing)

Present: S Fane de Salis (Chairman), G Smith (Vice Chairman), S Jackson-Rimmer, S Parfrey, W Burcham, S.Cardwell (Clerk) and one member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence - R Johnson, J Pope
2. To approve Minutes of the Charity Meeting on 18th February 2021- Cllr G Smith proposed signing and approval of the minutes as a true record of the meeting, seconded by Cllr S Jackson-Rimmer and carried unanimously.
3. Matters Arising- none
4. Finance:
 - 4.1 Charity accounts report
Balance at 9th March: £2775.86- noted.
 - 4.2 Expenditure for approval 18th March 2021: -none.
5. Update regarding planning application for hard standing- Cllr S Fane de Salis updated the Council regarding the start date for the work (end of the month), access to the site while the works are being completed (outside working hours there will be access) and security measures to restrict vehicular access onto the field (to be discussed next meeting).
6. To discuss quotations received for the gates at the allotments and approve a contractor- Following discussions regarding the three quotations received, Cllr G Smith proposed that R. Purser be asked to complete the works on the basis that it was a cheaper quote (£2037.02 + VAT) and he will already be on site to complete the hardstanding works anyway; this was seconded by Cllr S Parfrey and carried unanimously.
7. To discuss the possibility of fruit trees for the allotments- following an update from Cllr G Smith regarding further enquiries to be made by the Allotment Association, this item was deferred.
8. Update regarding maintenance of the hedging for the allotments- Cllr W Burcham updated the Council that the work has been completed. It was noted that a good job has been done and that the Council are awaiting an invoice for the work.
9. Update regarding installation of beehives on the field- Cllr G Smith confirmed to the Council that all allotment holders had been contacted to advise of the Council's intention to allow beehives on the Town and Pools Field and that no concerns had been raised by the agreed deadline. As such, it was agreed that the Clerk should proceed with issuing the paperwork for hives to be introduced.
10. Update regarding the Allotment Association and allotment usage- Cllr G Smith informed the Council that invoices have been issued for the coming year and payments are coming in, that two plots have been handed back and will be issued to new tenants, that there are still three people on the waiting list and that additional plots are still being created (there will be 26 in total).
11. Correspondence- none.
12. Any other business- none.
13. Date of the next Meeting – Thursday 15th April 2021

Meeting finished at 21.16hrs.

Minutes to be approved at the next Charity Meeting (and signed at a future meeting)

Signed:

Chairman:

Date: