

**BRANDON & BYSHOTTLES PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**6 GOATBECK TERRACE, LANGLEY MOOR, DURHAM**  
**ON TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2017, AT 11.30 AM**

**PRESENT**

**Councillor D Bell (in the Chair)**  
**and Councillors Clegg, Mrs Clough, Grantham, Jamieson and Turnbull**

**All. 15      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

**All. 16      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs Gates, Mrs Nelson and Walter.

**RESOLVED:** To receive the apologies.

**All. 17      HIGH BROWNEY**

Two tenants had requested provision of a second skip as they were unable to dispose of their debris in the first skip as it was full.

**RESOLVED:** To recommend sending a letter to all tenants notifying them that a second skip will be provided but to ensure that only garden waste is to be deposited in the skip. Otherwise in the future the Members may not agree to the provision of a skip.

**All. 18      WATER COMPARISON CHARGES**

The Members discussed the water comparison charges following the deregulation of the water industry.

**RESOLVED:** To recommend remaining with NWG and to monitor the water charges and review it in a year's time.



**All. 19 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**a) BLACK ROAD**

Councillor Grantham informed the meeting that he had been approached by a tenant, who was enquiring if there was any progress with the new footpath which was to run adjacent along the front of this site.

The Allotments Officer informed the meeting that she had spoken to the Chairman of Friends of Langley Moor who was shortly going to meet with the Manager of Tesco's. No report on any progress had been received at the time of the meeting.

**RESOLVED:** To recommend contacting the Chairman of Friends of Langley Moor for an update and to notify the tenants of the outcome.

**b) COCKHOUSE LANE**

Councillor Jamieson enquired if the planning application for the proposed garage on Cockhouse Lane allotment site had been accepted.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the planning application for the garage had been accepted.

**RESOLVED:** To take for information.

The following took place in private.

**All. 20 HAMILTON ROW**

Quotations had been received to excavate and install a land drain to alleviate the problem with allotments flooding when it rains heavily. The Allotments Officer notified the meeting that she had met with the owner of the land adjacent to the allotment site and he had requested if the land drain is to be installed in his field, that the Parish Council provide twin 10 foot metal gates. Discussion took place between the Members regarding the above and it was:

**RESOLVED:** To recommend the following:

- a) To obtain further quotations for the drain to be installed along the top path
- b) To see if permission is required from Durham County Council for access over the grass verge for the new field gate.
- c) To organise a site visit to confirm which allotment plots are affected when it rains heavily.
- d) To draw up an Agreement from the Parish Council for the owner of the land to sign should the Council pursue the installation of the drain on the adjacent field.



All. 21 LANGLEY GROVE

Discussion took place regarding the quotations received for the removal of the debris in the garage and to demolish and remove the garage from site.

**RESOLVED:** To go ahead immediately and accept the quotation of £1,071 received from Durham County Council due to Health and Safety issues.

Meeting closed at 11.20am

Signed ..... 

Date ..... 