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Minutes of the meeting of the allotment committee held on Wednesday 4th March 2021 by Zoom

Present: Tom Whipp, Chris Church, Callum Hird, Jodie Hoyle, Ian Holgate, Joyce Holgate & Alan French

To advise that the Chair for 2019/2020 will continue for 2020/2021 as per guidance. Cllr Tom Whipp therefore continued to Chair the meeting.

**Cllr Tom Whipp**

**Chairman in the Chair**

**20/01 Apologies for absence**

Received from Gillian Allan

**20/02 Open Forum**

There were no questions from the public

**20/03 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest

**20/04 Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of the committee held on the 4th March 2020 were approved as a correct record (Tom Whipp to sign after the virtual meeting)

**20/05 Reports from Site Representatives/Site Problems**

Havre Park

Nothing to report other than a broken gate on one plot that needs repairing – Clerk to write to plotholder. Clearing out of the culvert at the allotment has had a positive impact and a marked improvement on the flooding onsite. Cllr Whipp advised that there are further improvements to take place.

West Close

No issues. One plot is due to be re-let.

Coates Canal

We do not have a key for the lock – Clerk to ask for one

Greenberfield

Write to plot 14 and ask them to clear the plot.

Dam Head

Wall on Dam Head – waiting for legal at Pendle to ascertain ownership

Lee Johnson to look at the trees on the banking – chase Pendle for both

Hardy Avenue

Tom Whipp advised that one plot has been split in to 4 and 3 have been re-let

Bottom site one plot has some major drainage issues

Request for a skip for Hardy Avenue – Ian Holgate to speak to current plotholder

**Resolved:** To note this information and Clerk to write to plotholders

**20/06 Allotment Vacancies/Waiting List/Update on rent collection**

Currently have 1 vacancy and someone is being shown round tomorrow

Waiting List currently 127 people on list

Update on rent collection collected £2136 of the £5298 – allotment rents not payable until the end of March 2021

**Resolved**: To note this information

**20/07 Land at Greenberfield**

Tom Whipp presented the maps of the Greenberfield land to the committee.

Explained grazing licenses

Explained the offer made to the current holder of the smaller plot under an allotment agreement rather than the current grazing license.

Gave reasons why we aren’t looking to develop the whole of the site.

**Resolved:** To recommend to the Full Council that the small parcel of grazing land be split and the larger portion be developed in to hen pens and allotments. That the bottom half of the larger plot be split in to allotment plots and carparking made. That water be installed on to the site.

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