

CUDDINGTON PARISHED AREA ALLOTMENT PLOTS

Minutes of the General Meeting of all members of the Allotment Plots Waiting List held on Tuesday 12th June 2018 at the Oaklands Hotel commencing 7.30pm

PRESENT: John Faulkner, Chairman of the Allotment Plots Steering Group (Chairman for the whole of the meeting) and 21 members representing 18 plots

APOLOGIES: Cliff Ireland, William Wright, Nicola and Paul Hill, Allan Griffiths, Lucy Kornecki

CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS: The Chairman welcomed all present and thanked them for what was an encouraging turnout. He gave a brief outline of what has happened so far. Slow progress since the 2 meetings at the White Barn in February 2017. Availability of allotments keep being delayed, the latest date for availability is early 2019. Steering Group have been actively preparing. Minutes of meetings on village website (candsonline.org) with other information. 3 members of steering group met Taylor Wimpey legal team 11.4.18 at the Sales Office. Outcomes - confirmation of allotment availability early 2019, Taylor Wimpey will deliver allotments as their reputation is at stake, Taylor Wimpey happy for us to set up as Association for self management, Taylor Wimpey propose to offer Parish Council the freehold who would then grant a lease/ licence to the Association. No offer to Parish Council to date. At this meeting the steering group impressed on Taylor Wimpey the need to have one point of reference/ decision maker as our experience so far is that they work in silos with no apparent decision maker. Essential to pin them down and push all the time. Time has come to start the Association and time also for me to stand aside. I am very supportive and will help if required.

One issue has arisen recently. Applicant living in Acton Bridge. Up to now we have refused such applications. Important that no-one from within area is deprived of a plot by someone outside. Have suggested you start a separate waiting list for people resident outside the area. Secretary has the application and perhaps a decision made at the first committee meeting.

NAME OF ASSOCIATION: It was stated that the planning commitment by Taylor Wimpey was to provide allotment plots for the people who live in the Cuddington Parish Council area i.e. Cuddington, Sandiway and Delamere Park. Rae York proposed and Adrian Crowther seconded that the name be "Cuddington and Sandiway Allotments Association" and this was agreed unanimously.

CONSTITUTION APPROVAL: A draft had been approved by the steering group and there were paper copies available at the meeting. The draft constitution is for the period prior to hand over of the allotment plots and therefore is of an interim nature. A new constitution will have to be drawn up and approved at General Meeting at the time of the allotments handover.

Amendments proposed by David Bruce and seconded by Roy Miller are:

- add temporary to heading

- date to be changed to 12th June 2018

- PROPERTY: delete what is there and replace with "The Association may purchase any property or equipment as deemed beneficial by the committee"

- DISSOLUTION: add at the end of the first sentence "with proper notice and no fewer than 50% of all plots voting in favour"

The Constitution as amended was approved unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman and Vice Chairman: No nominations. It was decided to defer these to the first committee meeting of the Association.

TREASURER: Jane Jones was proposed by Adrian Crowther and seconded by Rae York and elected unanimously.

SECRETARY: Clare Gardner was proposed by Jane Jones and seconded by Catherine Alvin and elected unanimously.

ALLOTMENTS OFFICER: Roy Miller was proposed by Sarah Fowke and seconded by Catherine Alvin and elected unanimously.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: William Wright, Sarah Fowke, Adrian Crowther, Martin Wilkinson, Clare Catherall, Catherine Alvin, Rae York, Mary Cowen, Allan Griffiths were proposed by David Bruce and seconded by Jane Jones and elected en bloc unanimously. It was subsequently pointed out that Cliff Ireland was willing to be considered for any role. He was therefore proposed by Roy Miller and seconded by David Coulbeck to join the committee and was elected unanimously.

DATE OF FIRST COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION: There was general agreement on 17th or 18th July. The Secretary and Treasurer will liaise with Cliff Ireland on his return and advise everyone precise date time and venue. White Barn was favoured.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: John Faulkner said that while he would not attend committee meetings he was available for help/ advice