

CUDDINGTON, DELAMERE PARK & SANDIWAY ALLOTMENT PLOTS

*Minutes of the meeting of the Steering Group held on Monday 30th April 2018
at the Village Hall Committee Room commencing 7.30pm*

PRESENT: Cliff Ireland, Rae York, Roy Miller, Sarah Fowke, Mary Cowen, Jane Theaker (present 7.45pm - 8.20pm), John Faulkner (in the Chair)

APOLOGIES: Martin Wilkinson, David Bruce, Nicola Hill, Greg Statham, Clare Gardner

MINUTES OF MEETING 12TH MARCH 2018: had been circulated and were approved as a correct record

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE: Priority waiting list still at 33. Regular updates on Village Website as a newsroom item. Importance of getting feedback from Eden Grange residents of any relevant gossip. information re the allotments.

MEETING WITH TAYLOR WIMPEY 11TH APRIL 2018: The notes of the meeting written up by John Faulkner dated 12th April 2018 had been circulated before the meeting. Taylor Wimpey have confirmed that they are providing the allotments as detailed on the plan. Taylor Wimpey will offer the freehold of the allotment site to the Parish Council and will make an offer in writing in due course. The Parish Council are now aware of this and have previously said that they would consider this on the basis that the allotments are self- managing and self financing. No response to date from Alison of Taylor Wimpey concerning the various points raised at the meeting. John will email Alison for progress specifically:

- a) Date when all houses on development are expected to be finished and a road map including when work on allotments are expected to start.
- b) Has Alison arranged to notify people on Taylor Wimpey Sales Office list that they must apply to go on the Parish Council waiting list?
- c) Taylor Wimpey's response to the extras requested by the Steering Group and detailed in the notes. Are these agreed?
- d) The name of a senior Taylor Wimpey employee who is a decision maker and is our direct contact.

GENERAL MEETING OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE WAITING LIST: Taylor Wimpey have agreed that the self- management vehicle may be an Association rather than a management company. The Steering Group agreed that this should be set up as soon as possible. Tuesday 12th June commencing 7.30pm was agreed as the date for the General Meeting. The place is not finalised but the Oaklands Hotel is the preferred venue. Cliff will present a draft constitution for approval. The name of the Association will have to be decided. There will be an election of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Allotments Officer and committee members. John will draft a letter and agenda and circulate round the Steering Group for comments/ possible amendments. It was agreed that the letter and agenda (formal notice) should go out by 22nd May 2018 at the latest. Sarah assisted by Rae will do this.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: It was agreed to defer applying for membership of the national allotments society. John said that the Parish Council would consider financing this if it was £30/ £50.

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