

**Raglan Community Council**  
**Minutes of the Allotment Sub-group Meeting held on Wednesday**  
**19<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at the Junior School Raglan at**  
**7.30pm**

**Present**

Clr Dennis Brown(Chairman)  
Clr Ewen Brierley

**In attendance:**

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council,  
Mr Robert Heath allotment holder,  
Mr Chris Shaw allotment holder,  
Mrs Sue Danziger allotment holder,  
Ms Louise Curley allotment holder,

**3422      Agenda item 1:-**Apologies for absence.

Clr Sylvia Price, due to illness

**3423      Agenda item 2:-** Review the site inspection.

Members from the sub-group attended a site meeting and inspected both allotment sites. A number of points were made in relation to the condition of the plots and the way some allotments are being cultivated.

Points raised during the inspection were:

- The width of the paths.
- Produce growing over or onto the path areas.
- Top soil had been removed from the side of paths to level the plots leaving a reduced level alongside the footpaths.
- Unused equipment left on the side of the allotments.
- Fences and hedges need maintenance or repair.
- Consideration was given to parking to the west allotment site.
- Grass cutting adjacent to the west allotment site.

Members from the committee returned to the meeting room to consider the findings and consider the remainder items on the agenda.

Ms Louise Curley left the meeting at this stage. 8.15pm

**3424      Agenda item 3:** Review any Health and Safety issues.

This item was deferred to the next meeting

**3425      Agenda item 4:** Consider the findings from the questionnaire and review the way forward.

The clerk informed members that he has received a number of questionnaires and there were a number of points which were of a general concern.

There was some debate regarding the questionnaire. It was:

**Resolved:** that information will be collated and the information be circulated to members of the committee for consideration at a later date.

After further debate it was **resolved** to take the following actions

- That a letter be sent to a number of allotment holders asking them if they intend cultivating the land. It was agreed that a time limit should be imposed.
- That a price is obtained for a skip to allow allotmentees to dispose of unwanted equipment and materials.
- That allotmentees be asked if they wish to give up their allotments or reduce the size of their allotment giving people on the list an opportunity to cultivate their own vegetables.
- The sub-group will arrange a further meeting in the autumn updating all the allotment holders.
- If allotments become available existing allotmentees are asked if they would wish to take on a larger plot giving new allotmentees the opportunity to start cultivating their own vegetables.

**3426      Agenda item 5:** Consider applications and renewal from January 2014

This item was deferred to the next meeting

**Agenda item 6:** Agree date of next meeting 21<sup>st</sup> August

**3427**      The Chairman thanked members for attending. The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman Cllr Sylvia Price

Date 26<sup>th</sup> June 2013