

NORTON-ON-DERWENT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Allotment Committee held in the Council Chamber,
84b Commercial Street, Norton-on-Derwent on Thursday 15th June at 11.00am

PRESENT: Cllrs D Keal, S Shaw, and R King

IN ATTENDANCE: S Rainsbury (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Cllr I Conlan

1. Clerk's Update

The Clerk informed committee members that after a previous town council meeting and that members agreed to allow an allotment holder to keep bees in a discrete space on the edge of the allotment site and that the tenant had decided to put the idea on hold for now.

A disused area of the allotment site has been sown with wild flower seeds in the area and the allotment shop is thriving and is a staple means for allotment holders to pick up affordable seeds, potato sets and accessories.

2. Concerns

An allotment tenant was written to recently due to an unattended fire on an allotment plot, the tenant was reminded not to leave fires unattended and not to burn during summer months.

The clerk had received a number of complaints concerning the poor state of the vehicle tracks within Eastfield Allotments and that he will be ordering some tarmac chippings for repairing the tracks shortly.

Most allotment plots are in a good state of cultivation.

3. Waiting List

The waiting list currently has nine waiting for availability and whilst there is no current availability members discussed that the clerk should enforce the rule on tenants having a maximum of four plots each. Therefore the clerk is to pursue this in the coming months.

4. Toilet Facilities

Following a communication from Next Steps for the town council to address the need for a toilet facility on the Eastfield Allotments, members agreed to arrange a meeting with Next Steps and a representative of Eastfield Allotments for two weeks' time.

Meeting ended at 11.55am

Stuart Rainsbury, Town Clerk to Norton on Derwent Town Council