

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GREAT SOMERFORD FREE GARDEN TRUSTEES
HELD IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM AT SOMERFORDS WALTER POWELL SCHOOL ON
WEDNESDAY 4TH APRIL 2018 at 21.15 Hrs.

PRESENT: Trustees S. Mansfield-Chairman, H. Cole, D. Butcher, S. Binstead, F. Hyde, A. Gravel, C. Blount

MINUTES

1.3.18	Apologies for Absence – Cllr Hourigan
2.3.18	Minutes – The Minutes of the previous Trustees meeting held on 7 th March 2018 were signed by the chairman and adopted as a true record
3.3.18	Maintenance – Cllr Butcher reported that the replacement board for the new bench (replacing the one donated by Mrs Davies) had arrived and would be fitted in due course
4.3.18	Broadfield Farm Development – There is a third option for utilising the Free Gardens verge as a footpath – to grant an easement to the developers. No further discussion took place – it will be resumed once Gleeson have re-submitted their plans.
5.3.18	Roles and Responsibilities – With the retirement of Cllr Scott, there exists a vacancy for the primary responsibility for the allotments; Cllr Butcher volunteered and was accepted. This must be reflected in the Signpost contact list Cllr Butcher suggested that, with immediate effect, any new allotment holders who are not village residents should be charged an annual fee. This was agreed. Cllr Butcher will research fees currently being charged in allotments elsewhere and report back at the June meeting.
6.3.18	Village Shop – Cllr Blount gave a short account of the current situation regarding the shop and suggested that, if necessary, it may be possible to build a community shop if land were to be available. He further suggested that part of the Free Gardens might be used for this purpose. The suggestion met with broad agreement in principle - Cllr Blount will provide more details at the next meeting.
7.3.18	Finances There have been no transactions since the last statement Treasurers Acc.Current Balance (1st March Statement) £11,452.69 The chairman will make the annual Charity Commission return
8.3.18	Next Meeting – Wednesday 6 th June 2018 immediately after the Parish Council meeting

Meeting closed 21.40 Hrs

S. Mansfield Cllr