



SACRISTON PARISH ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the meeting held on 7th April 2025 at 6.30 pm The Fulforth Centre

Present: Cllr H. Dixon (Chair), Cllr G Ludlow (Vice Chair), Cllr D Robson, Cllr E Waldock, Cllr A Page and Mr. B Mickle (Allotment Rep for Cross Lane), Mrs. C. Dixon (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllr R Sharp

Item No:

1.	Introductions and Apologies	The Chair opened the meeting at 6.30 pm and welcomed everyone. Apologies accepted and received from Cllr R Sharp.
2.	Previous meeting minutes	Previous minutes on 11 th March 2025 were accepted and signed as a true record by Cllr Dixon, Chair.
3.	Gates / Boundary Fence	Cross Lane gate was discussed. <u>RESOLVED</u> Bobby confirmed that the gate would be put back to its original condition. It was confirmed that we should place a sign on the gate to warn plot holders that they would need to step over the bar on the gate. The boundary fence is down on plot P9 Cross Lane. <u>RESOLVED</u> Bobby is to carry out a temporary repair.
4.	Treasurer's Report	Bank Balance as of 7 th April 2025 was £2,228.11. £600.00 is required for gate key deposits. <u>Water Rates</u> Cross Lane - £463.44 credit Daisy Hill - £52.07 debit The clerk has emailed Water Wise about funding and installing a smart meter. They advised that they forwarded the request to Northumbrian Water; however, there has been no response. <u>Bank Account</u> The account has been charged a service fee of £11.35 and a monthly payment of £4.25. A discussion then took place regarding the possibility of changing bank accounts.

		<u>RESOLVED</u> The clerk is to research other bank accounts. <u>Non-payment of rent</u> A4, D3, and P11 – have not yet paid rent. <u>RESOLVED</u> Bobby indicated that A4 is available. He will contact the plot holder of D3 to inform them that rent is due. A notice will be issued for P11.	
	Matters arising and matters raised by plot holders	The gates had been raised but discussed in agenda item 3. A date needs to be organised for the next inspections.	
6.	Vacant Allotments and Waiting list	Vacant Allotments	
		CL	8 - works being carried out on 5 plots (P14, P15, P16, P17, P19) P9, B8, D10
		DH	0
		Waiting List	
		4	1
7.	Representative Reports	Cross Lane Allotments - A couple of plot holders have had a disagreement and have placed boards at the rear of the plots to provide a screen between the two however, there was concern of the boards blowing down in the wind and Bobby has asked for them to be removed. A fence will be installed instead. - It has also been noticed that there are no bait stations in row D. - Plot P4 has used 3 x bags of post crete. Daisy Hill Allotments - Nothing to note.	
8.	Applications for Buildings	Application received from B1 requesting to erect a polytunnel. <u>RESOLVED</u> Members agreed.	
9.	Date of next meeting	The next meeting is to be held on Monday 12 th May 2025 at 6.30pm The meeting closed at 7pm.	

Agreed and signed by Chair of Allotment Association..... Date