

**Minutes of Open Spaces/Fabrics meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021**

**Present:** Councillor T Threlfall, (Chair)  
 Councillors J Graham, K McKay, Mrs. N Whalley, Mrs. P Mulholland, Mrs. L Willis and representative from FIB.

**1) Apologies:**

Councillors St. J Greenhough and T Fiddler (Other business).  
 It was resolved that the reason for absence be accepted.

**2) To record Declaration of interest from members in any item to be discussed.**

All Councillors, as landlords, declared an interest in the Croft Butts lane allotments (Item 3) and the Bush lane sport field and allotments (items 5 & 6).

**3) To review the Croft Butts lane Allotments.**

Overall it was felt that the Allotments were kept to a very high standard.  
 The new building, on plot 2b, was reviewed and found to be satisfactory, although a little on the large size. It was felt that the plot holder should be reminded that he should be doing more to work the plot.  
 It was agreed that the Clerk should arrange for the grass verge, on Croft Butts lane, to be cut.

**4) To review the Shrub border on the corner of Croft Butts lane and Naze lane**

It was reported that a resident, that lives adjacent to the border, was now looking after it, but required assistance in removing the green waste.  
 It was resolved that the Clerk should write to thank him and arrange for the green waste to be picked up by the Contractor  
 It was noticed that the shrub border on the other side of the road was not now being looked after by the FIB committee. It was agreed that the shrubs should be removed and the area grassed over.

**5) To review the Bush Lane Sports field and Rawstorne Centre**

It was agreed that the following work should be undertaken:-

**a) The Rawstorne Centre**

- The corner of the fascia boards needs an end piece on
- The gutters on the eastern side need repairing.
- A dripping tap needs repairing
- Broken metal box needs removing
- The key holder was unlocked and no key in it. It would not lock. It needs repairing
- Broken chairs need removing
- The borders need weeding

**b) The Sport field**

- The Football pitch needs verti-draining and weed and feeding.
- The grassed area, outside the back of the first property on Sagar drive, needs levelling off
- The supports, for the plastic barriers need the covers putting on them as they a trip hazard.
- The dug outs, that have been removed to the patio area, and should be turned around so that youths cannot play in them,
- The AWS area need weeding.
- The Cricket nets, backing on to Ribble ave, need repairing.
- The fence between the allotments and the sports field needs making higher as livestock can jump over it.

**6) To review the Bush lane Allotments**

It was agreed that a kissing-gate should be installed at the entrance to the Allotments.

It was noted that the 1<sup>st</sup> allotment needs tidied up. It was agreed that the Allotment Holders Association should contact the tenant.

Signed.....T Fiddler, Chairman.....

Date ...06/07/21.....