BUDLEIGH SALTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Community Gardens Committee held in the Council Offices, Station Road, Budleigh Salterton on Monday 13 February 2023 on the rising of the Planning Committee.

Meeting commenced at 7.33pm

PRESENT

Cllr A F Chaplin (Chairman)
Cllr M C Hilliar (Town Mayor)
Cllr D J Hayward (Deputy Town Mayor)
Cllr R D Sherriff

Town Clerk: Mrs J E Vanstone

Others Present: Cllr R J Doorbar, Cllr A J Harris, Cllr R A Harris, Cllr A L Jones and Cllr

Mrs M P Lewis

22.369 Public Speaking Time

No members of the public were present.

22.370 Apologies for Absence

None, all Members being present.

22.371 Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Community Gardens Committee held on 10 October 2022 had been circulated prior to the Meeting. It was unanimously agreed they be signed as a true record.

22.372 Chairman's Report

The Chairman, Cllr A F Chaplin reported that an Inspection had taken place in November 2022 and had resulted in letters being sent to twelve tenants; these were mainly because plots looked abandoned. He said that eight plot holders had since handed in their notice. The Clerk updated Members that this was now nine!

22.373 Permissions Granted

It was noted that no permissions for greenhouses and fruit bushes etc had been granted.

22.374 Waiting List

The Clerk advised that there were currently nineteen names on the waiting list.

22.375 Plot Rents

The Clerk advised that the majority of rental invoices had been paid with just eighteen outstanding; some of these were plots which had changed hands recently. She would be sending reminders this week as tenants had until the end of February to pay or the Notice to Quit, issued at the same time as the rental invoices, would come into effect.

22.376 Incinerators

The Chairman advised that the Clerk had received a query from a new plot holder regarding the use of incinerators. He said he had visited the plots and there were only two incinerators on the site, both of which had dried twigs in them! He said there was nothing in the rules prohibiting their use but he did not want to encourage their use, which in turn could open up floodgates of people creating piles of rubbish. It was

Resolved: An additional clause would be inserted into the Tenancy Agreement

prohibiting both bonfires and incinerators on the Plots.

22.377 Any Other Business at the Chairman's Discretion No other business was raised.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 7.45pm.

Chairman	
Date	