

Churchill Parish Council



Minutes of the Open Spaces and Allotments Committee Meeting on 22nd January 2024

Present: Councillors B Wilkinson, J Bush, D Johnson and Parish Clerk S Diaz. There were also 5 members of the public present.

- 24/OSA1A To receive any apologies of non-attendance
Councillors M Baker and R Jeacocke sent their apologies.
- 24/OSA1B To receive any declarations of interest on agenda items.
There were no declarations of interest.
- 24/OSA1C To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 25th September 2023.
It was resolved to confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 25th September 2023.
- 24/OSA1D Allotments-Update on Budget v Spend.
The allotments update on budget v spend is on target for the year.
- 24/OSA1E To review the allotment fees.
The committee discussed the allotment fees and agreed at present they would not be increased. However, this may change in the future as services from North Somerset Council may be lessened due to budget cuts and the Parish Council will be expected to fund extra services.
- 24/OSA1F To consider the quote of £450 + VAT to cut the inside of the hedges on both allotment fields.
It was agreed to approve the quote of £450 + VAT to cut the inside of the hedges on both allotment fields.
- 24/OSA1G Allotment matters for information.
Tenants have asked for signage to say wildlife cameras on site to deter theft, the clerk will arrange this. Funds from the donations for vegetables sold were given to S List at the meeting. There are two half plots and one full plot available. Once these have been occupied the clerk will send new lists to the field representatives. The tenancy agreement will be reviewed at the next meeting to include procedures for handover. The waiting list for an allotment has reduced and the clerk will add this to the March newsletter.

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The clerk will send an update to all tenants at the allotments.

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Open spaces bus shelters
There was nothing to report.

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Open spaces -Budget v Spend.
The open spaces budget v spend is over budget due to the purchase of the Speed Indicator Device, additional tree cutting and the work to the patio at the community club.

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Open spaces-matters for information
The clerk will get quotes for replacement treated sleepers for the hand at Churchill lights which have deteriorated. North Somerset Council have offered flowers to the parish which the orderly will plant in the usual locations.

Next meeting Tuesday 4th June 2024
End of minutes

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