

EARSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Earswick Parish Council, held in Earswick Village Hall on Thursday 22nd July 2021.

Councillors present: D Jones
B O'Connor
BS Wiseman
P Leveson
A Bell

Parish Clerk: J Fisher

Members of public present: One

1. **Apologies for absence**
Ward Cllr Doughty, Cllr E Dowsett, Cllr G Offler.

2. **Declarations of Interest and Any Other Declarations**
None.

3. **Minutes of Previous Meetings**
The minutes for the Parish Council (PC) meeting held on the 12th July 2021, were approved as accurate records by the Councillors and signed.

4. **Dissolution of the Scented Garden Committee, return of the lease of the Scented Garden Committee and transfer of Scented Garden Committee funds to the Parish Council**

The PC received a letter from the Scented Garden Committee informing them of the dissolution of the Scented Garden Committee, return of the Scented Garden Lease, and intended transfer of any Scented Garden funds to the PC (to be used on Scented Garden (SG) expenditure). The PC accepted return of the lease and will take over the administration of the SG, with volunteers doing the gardening. The SG funds will be ring-fenced for SG expenditure.

The Parish Council approved one cut per month of the grass on the lower level of the SG, at £20 plus VAT per cut, to A Hill for August, September and October 2021, and April to October 2022.

The Parish Council approved £50 per treatment to R Warriner for treatment of the lawn in the Scented Garden, maximum of 2 treatments per year.

The PC recorded its very grateful thanks to Irene and David Jones, and all the SG Committee, for all their hard work on the SG.

5. Insurance for the Scented Garden

The PC agreed to approach their insurance broker BHIB to request the Scented Garden assets (excluding the lawn mower) are added to its insurance policy.

The Clerk will also ask BHIB if the PC policy covers any injuries that may befall any Scented Garden (SG) volunteers.

Once PC cover is agreed, the SG policy should be cancelled and a refund obtained. **Action: JF**

6. Purchase of plants for the Scented Garden

The PC approved up to £100 for the purchase of plants for the Scented Garden. All receipts must be passed to the Clerk for approval and reimbursement of expenditure.

An anonymous donor has offered a further £100 to purchase plants for the Scented Garden for which the PC wishes to express its thanks.

7. Reinvesting ring-fenced £20,000 Section 106 Money

The PC agreed to reinvest £20,000 with Cambridge and Counties Bank for 5 years at 1.45% per annum. **Action: JF**

The meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

J Fisher