



# Harthill with Woodall

## Allotment and Gardens Committee Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025



Present: Councillors: **Mrs J Pattison (Chairman)**, **Mrs M Havard (Vice Chair)**, **Mrs C Hamer** and the Clerk, Caroline Havenhand. Allotment Representatives: Mrs M Baker (Doctor Lane), Mrs A Fretwell (Thorpe Road), and In Bloom Representatives: Mrs C Evans and Mrs C Leigh. No parishioners were in attendance.

Reference	Item	Action
A25/16	To receive and approve reasons for absence.	
	Mr I Lloyd and Councillor Mrs B Gunby provided reasons for absence. It was <b>resolved</b> that the reasons provided were accepted.	
A25/17	<b>To receive declarations of interest in respect of business on the agenda.</b>	
	None	
A25/18	<b>To authorise the chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025 as a true and correct record.</b>	
	It was <b>resolved</b> that the minutes be confirmed as a true and correct record and the Chairman accordingly signed the file copy.	
A25/19	<b>To identify any agenda items which may be considered following the exclusion of press and public, due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.</b>	
	It was <b>resolved</b> that no items should exclude press and public.	
A25/20	<b>To discuss any matters arising (For information only)</b>	
	There were no matters that were not covered elsewhere on the agenda.	
	<b><u>Allotment Matters</u></b>	
A25/21	To discuss any allotment issues, including new allocations.	
	The clerk reported that all rent letters have been issued in respect to Allotments. Rent day will be held on Saturday. The clerk hi-lighted that the X-Large plots were still distorting the rent comparison, and it was <b>resolved</b> that when these eventually become vacant they will be split into smaller plots. No new allocations have taken place yet pending the removal of the conifers and the conservatory at Firvale. It was suggested that some shaping of hedges on Thorpe Road may be required. The clerk agreed to ask Councillors to look at this again.	<b>Clerk</b>
A25/22	To provide an update on hedge cutting and other maintenance issues at Firvale allotments.	
	The clerk reported that the hedge has been cut at Firvale though this had been generally well received the clerk report that one Parishioner had contacted her to complain that they could now see the allotments. It was <b>resolved</b> that no further action is required at this time.	

<b>A25/23</b>	To consider finance matters relating to the allotments.	
	The clerk circulated the end of year finance which shows an overspend on the allotments due to the hedge on Firvale. This shortfall was funded from the Parish Council's main project budget. The clerk advised that the budget for 2025/2026 for allotment has been increased from £1,100.00 to £1,300.00.	
	<b><u>Harthill With Woodall in Bloom Matters</u></b>	
<b>A25/24</b>	To discuss correspondence received from Yorkshire in Bloom and agree any action.	
	An invitation has been received to enter the Yorkshire Rose Award again with a view to competing for the award of Yorkshire overall winner. It was <b><u>resolved</u></b> that the Parish enter at a cost of £25.00.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>A25/25</b>	To discuss and agree any action with regard to summer planting, including agreeing a budget.	
	The summer planting budget was reviewed. The clerk shared details of the overall spend for last year along with an update of the plant order form for 2025 where there are some small increases in cost. It was <b><u>resolved</u></b> that the summer planting budget be set at £1,475.00. Out of this budget £25.00 was agreed for some new herbs to refresh the bed on Union Street.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>A25/26</b>	To provide any update on volunteers.	
	The clerk advised that the bed at the top of the village now has new volunteers. The new volunteers have agreed to shape the shrubs that have become overgrown.	
<b>A25/27</b>	To consider finance matters relating to the Harthill in Bloom. To agree to any action.	
	It was <b><u>resolved</u></b> to allocate £25.00 for in bloom and £1,620.00 for the hanging baskets from the new budget. Additionally, to allocated £1,475.00 for the Summer Planting budget. The clerk advised that the budget for 2025/2026 for In Bloom has been increased from £2,200.00 to £2,350.00.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>A25/28</b>	<b>To arrange the Date and Time of Next Meeting (3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025)</b>	
	It was <b><u>resolved</u></b> that the next allotment committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025 at <b>7.00pm</b> in the Village Hall.	
	The meeting closed at 7.55pm	

**Chairman**

**Date 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025**

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**Chairman's Initial**

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## **Finance**

Budget	YiB	£ 2,000.00	
	Allotments	£ 1,100.00	
	Meadow	£ 100.00	
	Hanging Baskets	£ 1,900.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>£ 5,100.00</b>	
Spend to Date	YiB	£ 1,712.75	2000
	Allotments	£ 3,179.23	1100
	Meadow	£ -	100
	Hanging Baskets	£ 1,620.00	1900
<b>Total</b>		<b>£ 6,511.98</b>	
	<b>Allocated Budget</b>		
		£ -	
		£ -	
		£ -	
<b>Balance</b>		<b>-£ 1,411.98</b>	