

# MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Allotment Committee held on Monday 28 October 2013 in the Council Chambers, Town Hall, Maryport at 7.00pm.

## Present

Councillor B Carter	Councillor Ms D Charlton
Councillor Ms G Elliot	Councillor Mrs A Kendall
Councillor P Kendall	Councillor D King
Councillor Mrs C McCarron-Holmes	Councillor W Pegram (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs L Radcliffe	Councillor Ms C Tindall

## In Attendance

Mrs L Douglas (Clerk)  
Mr P Bramley (Clerk)  
Mr P Crute (Press)

### 21/13 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor G Mitchell, Councillor A Moore, Councillor Mrs J Wood & Councillor M Wood.

### 22/13 Declarations of Interest

A declaration of interest was received from Ms C Tindall, Item 5, Correspondence, Flimby Allotment Association delegate's report concerning Flimby Community Garden.

**Resolved** that the declaration of interest be recorded.

### 23/13 Requests for Dispensations

A dispensation to speak on Item 5, Correspondence, Flimby Allotment Association delegate's report concerning Flimby Community Garden, was received from Councillor Ms C Tindall.

**Resolved** that dispensation be granted.

### 24/13 Minutes of Meeting held on 2 September 2013

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting of the Allotment Committee held on 2 September 2013 be confirmed as a correct record & signed by the Chairman.

**25/13 Flimby Allotment Association Delegate’s Report**

Following the receipt of complaints from the Allotment Association about the operation of the Flimby Community Garden, information was sought from Rathbones, Stoneleigh training & Community Centre, whom it was understood had requested permission to help its clients by operating on the site, & were to have done so from February 2013. The Council was advised that the organisation was awaiting the agreement of a risk assessment report from its administrative offices & would be commencing once this had been agreed.

Councillor Tindall, as tenant of the site in question, advised that the Community Garden had been introduced to assist people on probation, the unemployed, Netherhall School pupils & people from Flimby who expressed an interest, in particular. As a result of an illness in 2012, Councillor Tindall had been unable to operate effectively on the site & had accepted a request from Rathbones to permit their clients, comprising young people who were unemployed & not in education, to work on the site. Rathbones had been through three major restructuring exercises in 2013, which had delayed their plans.

Councillor Tindall also advised that the polytunnels which had been grant funded by the Council had been purchased, but not erected, since the site had not been cleared.

**Resolved** that the matters be noted & that the Allotment Association be advised accordingly.

**26/13 Items for Next Agenda**

None identified.

Following the conclusion of the meeting, a meeting of the Planning & Economic Development Committee commenced.

Signed .....

Chairman

Date .....