

WEAR SIDE-SMALLHOLDERS

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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 21st March 2026

ATTENDED BY: Mr I. Hornsey; Mr. J. Hornsey; Ms G. Clifford; Mr P. Larcombe;
Mr P. Hutchinson; Mr J. Smurthwaite; Mr S. Palmer; Mrs L. Smith

APOLOGIES: Mrs J. Palmer

1. Minutes of previous meeting approved any matters below. Minutes to be published.
2. Correspondence. Addressed in Business.
3. Finances – Monies as in the bank.

4. Business

4.1 **Main gate.** Inspected by Committee. Old metal gates to be stored by I. |Hornsey in case of future need.

4.2 **Unworked gardens.** Committee completed a walk-round inspection.

4.3 **Entrance car park.** Council has been in touch, but will not guarantee any work. Possible that remedial work can be conducted by the Committee itself – to be discussed at AGM. **(Action: I. Hornsey)**.

4.4 **Interior car park by container.** Still awaiting estimates. People should not be tipping garden waste on or around the car park. **(Action: I. Hornsey)**.

4.5 **Roads and verges.** Still attempting to get a response from the Council re spraying. **(Action: I. Hornsey)**

4.6 **Fly tipping.** Agreed, as at AGM, the monthly collection of items from plotholders for the tip, is in operation.

4.7 **CCTV.** Additional equipment purchased and will be installed in the next few weeks. **(Action: J.Hornsey/I.Hornsey)**

4.8 **New Agreement.** Still waiting for Council to decide whether the Committee or one of its own departments will witness signatures. Proof of ID and address will be required by plot holders when they sign.

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4.9 **Fires.** These are lit at the plot-holder's own risk. Consideration of residents, and neighbouring pot-holders should be exercised, and no fire should be left unattended.

4.10 **Plot numbering.** These are to be renewed. Metal number to be costed and sourced. Anyone removing numbering will be required to pay for replacement.
(Action: J.Hornsey)

4.11 **Entrance Planters.** Plans for planting and maintaining these agreed. Costs will be reimbursed upon presentation of receipts. (Action: G. Arnott)

4.12 **AGM meetings.** Future meetings to be alcohol free.

Date of Next Meeting: 18/4/2026