## DRAFT SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF MAIN COUNCIL ON 8<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ALLOTMENTS & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE HELD AT FELPHAM COMMUNITY HALL FELPHAM 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025 6.45pm

#### PRESENT:

Councillors: Antony Bassett, Bob Budd, Kirsty Halls, Gloria Moss

Councillor: Russ Marsden-Sear, Pat Young (Ex Officio)

#### A 1. NOMINATION OF CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE 2025/26

Councillor Bob Budd was nominated to be Chair of the Allotments and Open Spaces Committee by Councillor Gloria Moss. This was seconded by Councillor Russ Marsden-Sear and unanimously agreed.

Councillor Bob Budd was duly elected as Chair of the Allotments and Open Spaces Committee for the municipal year 2025/26.

### A 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillors: Kirsty Halls, Pat Young, Antony Bassett

#### A 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillor Russ Marsden-Sear declared he no longer has an allotment plot at FAGS

#### A 4. NOMINATION OF VICE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE 2025/26

Councillor Pat Young was nominated to be Vice Chair of the Allotments and Open Spaces Committee by Councillor Gloria Moss. This was seconded by Councillor Bob Budd and unanimously agreed.

Councillor Pat Young was duly elected as Vice Chair of the Allotments and Open Spaces Committee for the municipal year 2025/26.

#### A 5. QUESTION TIME FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nothing to report

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Nothing to report

A 7. CLERK'S REPORT: Nothing to report

#### A 8. REPORT FROM FELPHAM ALLOTMENTS AND GARDEN SOCIETY

The Society reported that there has been a turnover of old to new allotment holders recently, the current waiting list is 15 Felpham residents. Successful plant sale held in May. Monthly committee meetings continue consisting of 4 officers and 4 other members. Due to the lack of rain there has been additional usage of mains water on site which will lead to a higher water bill this year. Vermin is continuing to be controlled and managed in the standard way as a priority the cost of which is a noticeable percentage of the yearly budget. Overall plots are producing good crops for all.

## A 9. MONTHLY UPDATE ON LONGBROOK PARK, KING GEORGE V & OLD RECTORY GARDENS:

The open space transfer of Phases 4 & 5 at Blakes Mead, Phase 4 at Stanhorn Grove and Phase 5 at William's Gate are nearing completion. Decision currently pending if Old Rectory Gardens has retained its Green Flag. Funfair due at King George V 19-22<sup>nd</sup> June. Routine maintenance operations and grass cutting as normal.

# A 10. MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE – PREVIOUSLY AGREED WITH THE CHAIRMAN: Nothing to report

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesd	ay 16" September 2025 18:45	
Approved	Date	