Bellerby Parish Council

Site Meeting at Bellerby Community Garden DL8 5QN

Saturday 4th February 2022 at 3:00pm

The meeting was attended by:

The clerk Lynn Watkinson.

Councillors Singleton & Hutchinson

7 members of the proposed steering committee were

present

2 members of the public were also present

Business Matters

1 Update on funding application



An application had been submitted to the Royal Horticultural Society for a competition for the transformation of a local space into a community garden, offering design work, development costs and five years of maintenance costs. Only one area in each nation would be selected so it is a very long shot.

The National Garden Scheme funding has reopened for 2022 with a closing date of 28th February 2022.

Funding was available for events for the Queen's Jubilee. It was agreed to dedicate a raised bed for the Jubilee. Funding would be applied for towards the development, plants – possibly with a royal theme and organised planting/opening day event.

Clerk to obtain quotes and prepare applications.

2 Electrical Kiosk

A quote of £3,903.17 had been received from Northern Powergrid for the electrical connection which is unchanged from the previous quote as the cable will still need to be taken across the road.

Clerk to obtain quotes from builders for the kiosk.

Clerk to obtain quotes for installation of a meter and cabling to the greenhouse and shed site.

3 Rabbit fencing

Fencing would be required to the top of the wall along the south and west sides of the site.

Clerk to obtain quotes from professional fencing companies for rabbit fencing.

4 Railings around culvert

It was agreed to use a traditional style of railing.

Clerk to approach local companies for quotes.

5 Water pump

It was agreed to source a traditional style of hand pump.

6 Shed dimensions

The proposed steering committee agreed to approach a resident who was replacing their shed to see if they were willing to donate their existing shed to the project and defer purchase of a new structure until the potential usage was determined.

Signed by the Clerk Lynn Watkinson

For further details and documentation please see the website: http://www.bellerbyvillage.com/#/council

Cllr Singleton to contact the resident and arrange a work party to disassemble and relocate the shed if agreed by the resident.

7 Review layout design ideas of garden for raised beds and paths

It was agreed that the village groups would be approached to determine their interest in a space in the garden.

Members of the proposed steering committee to approach the groups they have affiliations with to determine their interest.

A member of the group circulated a suggested design and provided the contact details of a number of suggested suppliers.

Clerk to follow up the contact information provided for quotes.

It was agreed that planting would take into account the changes of the seasons to ensure interest throughout the year.

The site would include a sensory garden.

Once weeding was started wood chips would be spread on the site to restrict regrowth.

Clerk to approach tree surgeons to arrange delivery.

It was agreed to incorporate a mud garden to the site to encourage children to use the garden. This could easily be constructed from wooden pallets.

Cllr Singleton to organise and pick up a number pallets for this and the compost bins.

8 Raised Beds

Materials for the construction of the raised beds was discussed with Oak sleepers and stonework considered.

Cllr Hutchinson to review prices of Oak sleepers as used by the charity he works for.

9 Paths

It was noted that the paths could be reduced to 1.2m and 1m wide whilst still maintaining adequate wheelchair access.

It was agreed that the path surfaces would be made up with self-binding gravel.

Members of the proposed steering committee to apply for free samples of self-binding path materials so that a range of colours and textures could be considered.

10 Date of formal meeting – to be held in Memorial Hall at 7:30pm

To be confirmed.

11 Date of next site meeting – to be held on site

26th February 2022 at Bellerby Community Garden DL8 5QN at 10am

Meeting Closed: 16:20