

**MINUTES OF THE HARDEN PARISH COUNCIL  
ALLOTMENTS PROJECT TEAM HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2019  
IN HARDEN MEMORIAL HALL**

**Present:** Cllr Andy Macdonald  
Carol Gaskill  
Ann Leetham  
Jim Leetham  
Roger Timbers  
Gwyn Timbers  
Graham Irons  
Carol Gaskell  
Ken Eastwood (Clerk)

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Cllr Bryan, Bob Thorp and Christine Stephenson.

**2. Introductions**

Cllr Macdonald opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

**3. Minutes**

The minutes of the Project Team meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November were proposed as a correct record. It was noted that apologies had previously been offered from Chris Ockerby who had stepped down due to illness.

**4. Guest Speaker**

Bob Thorp, Tree & Woodlands Manager, Bradford MDC was unable to attend the meeting.

**5. Discussion on possible sites and next steps**

An email from Bradford MDC suggesting that use of the preferred site, to the rear of St Ives Place, would not be supported was discussed. Members expressed disappointment at the reasons given and agreed that further discussion with the Officer concerned should take place. Options for escalation including referral to Senior Officers and Ward Members were also discussed.

It was noted that land behind the cricket club was water logged. Another site suggested by Bradford, to the Bingley side of St Ives Grove, was steeply sloping and unsuitable.

**Action**

That the Clerk contact Bob Thorp and arrange a meeting, either one evening in the Memorial Hall or possibly on an afternoon meeting on site.

**6. Next Meeting**

To be announced.