

MINUTES of the Housing Committee meeting held at Redmire Village Hall on Wednesday 12th July 2023

Present: Cllr Houghton Cllr Jordan Cllr Shields Cllr Spensley Cllr Strong
Clerk: MRS C Smith Annie Sumner

23.100 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS-None

23.101 APOLOGIES-None.

23.102 DECLARATION OF INTEREST -Cllr Jordan pecuniary interest item 23.11a
Cllr Sheilds pecuniary interest Item 23.104.

23.103 MINUTES OF MEETING- held on Tuesday 16th May 2023- approved and
signed as a true record.

23.104 NORTH COTTAGE

a) Progress- The building work is progressing; we are now waiting for the
completion of the plumbing and electrics.

b) Work still to be completed- The chimney needs rebuilding; the Committee
approved the quotation received.

c) Decoration- deferred until next meeting.

d) Kitchen- deferred until next meeting.

23.105 SOUTH COTTAGE

a) Update- The tenant has left the cottage and this will need redecoration before
reletting.

Action Cllrs to have a site visit.

b) Decoration- deferred until next meeting.

23.106 ALLOCATIONS POLICY- The Committee discussed the criteria for the
Allocations Policy with Annie Sumner, Treasurer Hudswell Community Charity
and resolved to base the Redmire policy on their document.

Action: Clerk to draft policy to be reviewed for adoption at the next meeting.

23.107 APPLICATION FORM- To be drafted for adoption at the next meeting.

23.108 TENANCY AGREEMENTS- The Committee will review the short hold
tenancy agreement for North & South Cottage. This will be brought back to the
next meeting.

23.109 LOW-COST HOUSING INITIATIVE- The Committee discussed other local
low cost housing initiatives and will look into how this could possibly be applied
to Redmire in the future.

23.110 FINANCE

- a) **Payments since last meeting-** Noted.
- b) **Net Position-** Noted.
- c) **Items awaiting payment-**Approved.

23.111 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC- the Committee passed the following

resolution *“That in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meeting) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following matter on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.” The meeting will re-convene in a closed session after item 22.111 with the press and public excluded due to the nature of the business being prejudicial under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.*

Cllr Jordan left the meeting.

- a) **Rental rates-** The Committee reviewed the rental rates for 1 &2 Horseman Street and resolved to increase the rent by 7%. This will be reviewed annually going forward.

Action: Clerk to write and inform the tenants.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 15th August 2023 at 7.30pm