Shincliffe Parish Council Notes of Horticulture Committee Meeting: Thursday 11 February 2016 - 7 pm at 17 Hill Meadows

2	Present: Cllr A Lee, M Platts (Parish Gardener) K Cuthbert (PC Clerk) Apologies: Cllr G Lee, P Matthews (Community Representative) Notes of 12 November meeting: Notes agreed.	
3	 Matters Arising AL confirmed that there is no funding currently available from DCC Pathways. MP and AL have sourced potential family apple trees for Love Lane. MP to decide on appropriate tree and arrange for planting asap MP to try to contact resident adjoining Love Lane to establish ownership of the green bin MP will clear the ground around the Whitwell Acres sign for P Matthews to plant and maintain the patch. M Platts to check on fixings for leaflet holder to interpretation board. take away and explore fixing possibilities before purchasing an additional holder. MP will speak with Low Road resident re wild flower bed. AL will set away Marigold seeds collected for planting the pathway adjoining the High Shincliffe play park. 	MP MP MP AL
4	Membership of Horticulture Committee Agreed that GL should not continue as his other duties as PC Chair and Finance Committee chair are sufficiently demanding of his time. Suggested that KC should attend occasionally as a non-member as her role as Clerk to the PC is currently demanding: Quality Gold Award, PC qualifications, website update and Survey Results. With two PC vacancies to be filled, agreed that at least one to be encouraged to join the Horticulture Committee, together with an additional existing member of the PC. AL to contact previous member to request rejoining. Alternatively, to be raised at next PC meeting.	AL
5	Parish Survey – Results of Horticulture analysis AL tabled a summary paper of the horticultural survey analysis. Agreed to discuss actions once new membership is established.	

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