

SPECIAL MEETING OF NORTH NIBLEY PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18 MAY 2016, IN THE CHAPEL, NORTH NIBLEY AT 7.00PM.

Present: Mr K Brown (Chairman); Mr S Hale; Mr K Larkin; & Mr L Smitherman.

The Clerk: Mr R Symons.

Apologies were received from: Mr D Purnell; Mrs J Burton; & Mr D Palmer.

The Meeting had been convened for the sole purpose of considering and deciding upon bids for the purchase of the Council's land at Breakheart Hill.

1. The Clerk explained that David James & partners, the Council's agent, had received 3 bids to purchase the land. The purpose of this meeting was to decide which bid should be successful.
2. Of the three bids, **bid 2 (Mr N Leighton-Boyce)** failed to meet the Council's reserve of £25,000 and so was dismissed.
3. The Clerk advised the Council that at his request Mr Terrett had spoken to the other two potential purchasers to find out more about their intentions for the land.
4. **Bid 1 (Miss S Waldron)** bid £26,250. She planned to use the land for recreational purposes. She had plans about developing a small holding, raising chickens, planting fruit trees and possibly introducing bee hives.
5. **Bid 3 (Mr M Goodman)** bid £27,150. He was less clear about his reasons for buying the land. Possibly to use for horses.
6. The Clerk advised the Council that Mr Terrett had advised of his confidence in Miss Waldron's plans for the land. Mr Goodman's ideas seemed rather sketchy.
7. Following discussion the Council agreed that they should sell the land to Miss Waldron because her reasons gave more confidence that her future use of the land would accord with the Council's longer term wishes.
8. The Clerk will inform David James & partners who will pass on the accepted tender to Loxley Solicitors. They will take forward the sale.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.25 pm.