

# Bingley Town Council

## Deer Fence 2018 - Suspension of Financial Regulations and Assessment of Risk

The Finance and General Purposes committee is aware of the issue of deer getting onto the Beck Lane allotments and trampling on or eating tenants' crops. The fence was prioritised at the April 2018 Finance and General Purposes committee meeting.

Extensive attempts have been made to obtain three quotations. Contractors are reluctant to attend to give quotations, or the few that have attended have been reluctant to undertake the work seemingly because of the access to the area to be fenced and the steep bank at the allotments.

**It is proposed that Financial Regulations be suspended to allow Rob Nelson's quotation to be accepted without obtaining a third quote.**

The NALC Model Financial Regulations make provision for suspension of regulations at clause 18:

*'The council may, by resolution of the council duly notified prior to the relevant meeting of council, suspend any part of these Financial Regulations provided that reasons for the suspension are recorded and that an assessment of the risks arising has been drawn up and presented in advance to all members of council'*

### Risks

1. There is a risk that a more cost-effective solution might be available from another fencing contractor, although the risk of this is thought to be low.