**NORTH LUFFENHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**Proposal to be considered by the Parish Council at its meeting on 7/9/15**

**FROM Charles Cade**

**SUBJECT:- Walkway gate**

**PROPOSAL AND RATIONALE:**

It is proposed that there needs to be a wooden pedestrian gate in the North east corner of the allotment field but wide enough (4 ft) to take a mobility scooter. This is necessary to gain access/egress to/from the field onto Edith Weston Rd and will be needed regardless of the ‘route’ of the path. The work of necessity includes firstly creating a gap in the hedge.

**ADDITIONAL LONGER TERM CONSIDERATIONS (eg Training / Maintenance/ Replacement Costs):** (1) The gate necessitates a safety barrier by the kerb on EW Rd. This may be a cost to RCC or NLPC (2) The gate will need maintenance (cf Oval gates) both treatment and mechanical but not at any major cost

**POTENTIAL RISKS:** Risk of uncontrolled access leading to vandalism, fly tipping but this is considered a very low risk.

**Attachments:**

 **1** Picture of gate

**Financial implications:**

 **Funds required £600**

 **Budget provision £1500 for Walkway in 2015/16 . £45 spent ytd**

 **Funding to be provided from TRUST**

 **quotation** has been received for a kissing gate for £280-02 + vat and a pedestrian access gate for £212-75 + vat

**OUTCOME required from PC:** That approval be given to this expenditure so that work can begin and the path finalised and then the facility opened up to residents.