



Ashbourne Allotment Association Limited

Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 9th August 2023
Location: AAA Community Shed

In attendance were: Suzanne Norton (SN) (Vice Chair), John Scott (JS) (Secretary), Nigel Coe (NC) (Membership secretary), Gill Reynolds (GR), Frank Jeffery (FJ), Nigel White (NW), Glenn Cook (GC), Rick Plant (RP).

1.0 Apologies:

1.1 Barry Morrison (BM) (Chairman), Max Hathaway (MH) (Treasurer), Emma Dungey (ED).

2.0 Financial report: (MH):

2.1 JS: MH is on holiday, total AAA monies in the bank and expenditure figures are not available at this time;

3.0 Membership (NC):

3.1 Waiting List at this date: 18 (noticeable increase from July 2023), a number of applicants from Mayfield and area have been refused as they fall out of our catchment area.

3.2 Vacant plots available at this date: 1 x 0.5 plot. There is an expectation that a further full-size plot will become available soon.

3.3 The next applicant on the waiting list is from Ukraine.

4.0 DDDC Matters (SN):

4.1 SN: New Lease: Land Registry documents are in progress of completion.

5.0 Secretary (JS):

5.1 Shop:

5.1.1 Monies from shop and compost sales to be transferred to MH to bank: £580

6.0 Plot Inspections (RP, NW, FJ)

6.1 Next plot inspection will be 8th September. Pre-notification to be sent out.

6.1.1 Email comments sent to AAA members after the last inspection have (mostly) been completed.

6.2 It was noted that there is a lot of overgrown pathways.

6.3 White paint required to mark Rat boxes.

6.4 Water meter reading required (JS)

7.0 Website update (GR)

7.1 Nothing to report.



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8.0 General Site Condition and Maintenance

- 8.1 GC: Requested we purchase a battery-operated portable drill for site work
- 8.2 G.C. Requested that the first aid box be updated. Agreed to replace with new.

9.0 Grass Cutting (GC, ED)

- 9.1 JS confirmed that we are covered by our insurance for the operators of the motor mower.
- 9.2 GC: Motor mower requires servicing.

10 Projects:

- 10.1 Wood Chip area needs modification to the Sleepers
- 10.2 Wood chip pile needs a cover for winter: Agreed

11.0 AOB

- 10:1 Problem of conduct on a member of the AAA was raised.
 - 10.1.1 At this moment in time no recent complaints have been received, the member is still subject to item 5 of the tenancy agreement which states: -
`Not to cause or permit any nuisance or annoyance to the occupier or any other allotment or to any local resident, not to encroach on or over any path or roadway set out for the use of the occupiers of the allotments`.

Next meeting: Wednesday October 11th 2023, Time 7:15pm Venue: AAA Community Shed

John Scott
19th August 2023