**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.**

**ELM ROAD ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION.**

**HELD JUNE THE 11TH 2022 AT ELM ROAD ALLOTEMNTS SITE.**

**24 members attended**

**Chair opened meeting**

**Minutes of last AGM approved**

**Election results of Officers announced following nominations and seconds received the five officer posts were announced they are Jim McSherry Chair, Alex Pavlovic, Vice Chair, Pat Carver, Treasurer, Susan Baker, Secretary and Lyn Edwards, Letting Officer.**

**Committee members confirmed for 2022/23**

**K T O’Malley, Sherry Cheng, Sarah Harris, Iain Watton and Ben Carswell plot 34A & 35A**

**Treasurer submitted her report for 2021-2022**

**The chair submitted his report to meeting:**

**Financial Matters**

**Meeting informed that following the resignation of the previous Treasurer, it had taken, a considerable amount of time, to sort out the old account in addition to the administration in putting a new account in place. Pat Carver was thanked as she had been the Officer, who had, as Treasurer devoted the most time to this matter.**

**Chair emphasised that our main aim since the last AGM was to reinforce the notion that the ERAA is a community, made up a diverse group of people and that no one should feel excluded or 'picked on'. Should issues arise we should work together to resolve them especially given that we have a membership drawn from over 20 nationalities.**

**Bonfires that were held in the Autumn were a great success, several members who attended cleared burnable materials for those who either could not attend or were unable to undertake such a task. A lot of historic material was cleared.**

**Chair also informed AGM that a significant amount of rubbish was cleared from the rear of plots, that backed onto Elm Road. Lots of metal was cleared and collected free of charge.**

**Socials, organised by KT, were successful, enjoyable and well attended.**

**Chair told meeting that we applied and have been successful in obtaining a local authority grant of £6,000.00 to resurface the corral. This was a project that in previous years could not be achieved due to lack of funding.**

**There are now 8 wheelbarrows thanks to Mike Buckingham, who has undertaken repairs to bring defective barrows back into use.**

**Two manure folks have been purchased for members use. The shafts have been painted with yellow bands, for identification.**

**Chair updated members on the situation with respect to the lease. Advised that currently the authority had moved away from the model lease and the sticking point was responsibility for path leading to the Elm Road entrance gates. That this was not something the association would take on, negotiations are ongoing.**

**There is currently a drop box scheme in operation organised by Gail.**

**The waiting list has greatly reduced following the return to work following lockdown.**

**The committee have dealt in the previous year with issues such as boundary disputes. Also investigated other matters such as looking into having rules translated into Korean, this is currently too expensive, but thanks to members we have managed to send out some communications in Korean.**

**There were no advance questions submitted to the meeting.**

**Close of meeting**