

TUDOR ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION – AGENDA

Thursday 06/11/2025 at 6:30pm at the Willoughby Arms

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ITEM	ACTION
<p>1. Those attending and apologies Present Paul Hay (PH) Lynn Boyd (LB), Peter Brown (PB), Jim Turner (JT), Jonny Hoare (JH), Richard Post (RP), Chris Ridout (CR), Amanda Reader (AR) and Nathalie Ashbee (NA). No apologies. Welcome to Mary Gledhill (MG) recently co-opted onto the committee for WD.</p>	
<p>2. Minutes of meeting of Wednesday 2nd July and matters arising (not dealt with below) Commenting on the site-specific items related to PR, JT noted that: a) the plot had in fact gone to the next person on the waiting list. b) the person in question would carry on for the time being, but it was noted that they had 6 x 2.5 rod plots. e) KHS collected water from their shed roofs which is shared with other users, so it was felt there was no justification for charging them extra for mains water usage.</p>	
<p>3. Treasurer's report Accounts as submitted. It was noted that expenditure on repairs had been economical and that out of a total expenditure of some £10,000 for the year to date, 40% was on water. This left us with a surplus of some £3,000, meaning we could move some money to our maintenance reserve.</p>	
<p>4. Plot rentals for 2026 It was proposed and agreed that the plot rental be raised from £14 to £16 per rod for 2026. In subsequent years, the plan would be to increase the rent by the CPI unless unexpected expenses were encountered. LB would produce a pie chart to show plot holders how their rental payments were used.</p>	LB to produce pie chart
<p>5. Review of probationary year for new plot holders PH felt the probationary year was working successfully. New plot holders were given a detailed induction which had helped with compliance, only 2 at WD giving cause for concern. It was proposed that the rules were relaxed at WD to allow siting of a shed in the first year on the understanding that it would need to be removed if the plot holder left at any stage. JT commented that no problems had been encountered at PR.</p>	
<p>6. Asset of Community Value PH commented that the fear of losing allotment sites had been exaggerated and given that the application process for an ACV was quite complex, suggested there was no need to pursue this for our sites. However, if members of KHS were keen to do so there was no reason for them not to.</p>	

<p>JT said he believed PR did not have permanent allotment status and would try and find the paperwork to confirm or refute this.</p>	
<p>7. Site specifics PR: Ongoing matters included getting Park Gate House to maintain the trees on their site, and sourcing larger dipping tanks. WD: WD were planning to have one more skip and a final visit from the tree surgeon to clear the site, after which responsibility for removal of rubbish and tree maintenance would pass to the plot holders.</p>	<p>JT/JH to pursue</p>
<p>8. A.O.B. a) PH agreed to act as the named individual for our insurance policy. b) WD would source liability warning notices for site entrances. JT asked to be advised of approved wording.</p>	<p>WD supervisors to source signs</p>
<p>9. Date and place of next meeting Thursday 19th March 6:30pm at Willoughby Arms</p>	