

TUDOR ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION – MINUTES

6:30pm Wednesday 2nd July at Wolsey Drive Allotments

ITEM	ACTIONS
1. Those attending and apologies Apologies received from LB	
2. Minutes of meeting of 18/03/25 and matters arising It was noted that following the setting of a maintenance budget (item 3) both sites were well within their budgets so far.	
3. Minutes of AGM 24/04/25 and matters arising ('wash-up') It had been suggested (AOB) that at WD 1-2 plots near an access point could, when free, be set aside for deliveries of wood chips, for example. The committee considered that this was not a practical proposition, given the current demand for plots, and that in any case, when wood chips had been delivered in the past they had always been cleared very quickly.	
4. Treasurer's report (LB) LB had sent a brief report by email noting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no transactions to date in July • The insurance had been paid as previously advised • Bank statements were forwarded to all committee members, but details of cheques issued by WD needed to be completed 	
5. Membership report (CR) There were 82 people on the waiting list, 69 wanted PR, 35 WD, and 20 either site. The backlog for WD was 1 year, but 4 years for PR due to it being a smaller site with less turnover. 19 new applications had been received so far for 2025. PH suggested having some photos of WD on the website, to try and encourage more people to consider it.	PH/NA?
6. Report back from KFAG AGM (PH) PH reported that it had been helpful to meet and exchange views with members of other sites. Details of the meeting have been circulated separately.	
7. Site specifics WD: walk-about to update PR reps on recent site changes and improvements No issues to report. RP had arranged repair of dipping tanks and cleaning of padlocks (with the help of a plot holder). A final offer to remove existing unwanted trees FOC was being considered for the autumn, after which plot holders would be responsible for their own trees.	To be decided by WD site supervisors

<p>PR:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A larger plot with established soft fruit bushes was due to be let, and JT and JH were minded to let an experienced applicant who had already been helping with another plot have it, although they were not first on the waiting list. It was agreed this needed to be handled sensitively by having a conversation with the person who was first on the list. b) A long-term member had expressed concern about whether they were still able to look after their plot in its entirety. JT and JH would approach them to discuss further. c) One of the houses adjoining PR had dumped rubbish adjacent to the site fence. The land belonged to Ham Gate House, and it was suggested that their agents be approached in the first instance to see if they would deal with the matter. d) An art group had asked about coming to the site to ask about holding a class there. It was agreed they would need to sign a waiver document and be instructed not to go onto individual plots without permission from the plot holder. e) It was noted that in the run up to the KHS Spring and Summer plant sales, a disproportionate amount of water was used for plants they grew and sold. A discussion followed that raised concern that other plot holders were effectively subsidising these sales. It was proposed that JT and JH would estimate the water usage of KHS and depending on the findings, KHS could be asked to pay an additional amount starting from January 2026. 	<p>JT/JH</p> <p>JT/JH</p> <p>JT/JH</p> <p>JT/JH</p> <p>JT/JH committee Nov 2025</p>
<p>8. A.O.B.</p> <p>It was noted that the welcome leaflet was held on the Google Drive and had been amended. JT expressed concerns about different versions being circulated. It was agreed that this was the master copy which would only be edited by the Chair in future.</p> <p>CR asked if the ban on new plot holders at WD erecting a shed in their probationary year was too severe. It was agreed to let the rule stand, but that site supervisors could apply discretion in individual cases.</p>	
<p>9. Date and place of next meeting</p> <p>Thursday November 6th at 6:30pm at the Willoughby Arms</p>	