

TUDOR ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION – AGENDA

5:30pm Wednesday 23rd October at 35 Queens Road, Kingston upon Thames

ITEM	Actions
1. Those attending and apologies Present were Paul Hay (PH) Lynn Boyd (LB), Peter Brown (PB), Jim Turner (JT), Richard Post (RP), Jonny Hoare (JH), Nathalie Ashbee (NA), Chris Ridout (CR) and Amanda Reader (AR).	
2. Minutes of meeting of 20/05/24 and matters arising (not dealt with below) The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of our previous meeting.	
3. Treasurer's report Detailed financial statements were submitted by LB (see separate documents). LB reported that the 'no fault' accident insurance had not been renewed. The view was that we should request a quote for this cover. It was noted that the constitution only provided for small item expenditure of up to £50 before formal authorisation was required. The committee unanimously agreed that where such expenditure was related specifically to site maintenance, the limit be raised to £250, provided that such expenditure was known to be within the agreed annual budget for that site for that year. The agreed site maintenance budgets for 2025 are £3000 for WD and £2000 for PR.	LB to request quote for no fault accident insurance cover. PB to amend constitution. Membership to be notified and next AGM.
4. Plot Rentals CR argued for a substantial increase, based on forecast expenditure at WD. After a discussion, PH proposed a £5 increase from Jan 2025. Increase of £2 per rod.	Action by? Plot holders will be informed by email.
5. Proposal to extend the probationary period for new plot holders PH proposes extending the probationary period to one year. Before achieving permanent plot holder status. Regular reviews to insure commitment.	PH to reword.
6. Site specifics PR: JT reported that 3 plots have been let since May. Poor plot holders are being monitored with 2 more possible plots becoming available over the winter. Park Gate House has done nothing to alleviate the number of overhanging trees. JT to push for a plan of action. Dipping tanks, size still be debated.	

<p>Maintenance of the shed blocks. Costs to come from increased shed rental not the general maintenance budget</p> <p>WD: RP since the last meeting the memorial garden has become well established with paving slabs and benches. 15b one of Sid's plots has become a temporary bonfire site and its future will be discussed at the next Wolsey drive meeting. Sid's army continues to maintain the many paths and a working party was established to clear the brambles from the perimeter fence. A social evening was held in August and was well attended. CR has erected a sign on the KHS shed. On October 11th a working party cleared brambles from plot 33d, which had become very overgrown. Kingston council finally removed a dumped fridge freezer from the perimeter road, after a robust email exchange from PH.</p>	
<p>7. A.O.B. none</p>	
<p>8. Date and place of next meeting Next committee meeting March 18th 5.00pm, AM to host.</p> <p>AGM provisionally Thursday 24th April. Subject to availability of Scout hut.</p>	