

ALLOTMENT MINUTES 30/5/13

APOLOGIES: Doreen & Stu Hilton, Paul & Chris Rice, Iain Middleton

PRESENT: Angela & Nigel Adams, Trevor Lerner, John & Sheila Scholes, Ginger Flatters, Barry Flatters.

The minutes from the last meeting were agreed & signed by the secretary due to the Chairman & Vice Chairman being unable to attend.

Matters Arising: We have been asked by the Village Feast Committee if we would provide the refreshments at the Ceilidh on the evening of 20th July as we have Pies left from the cancelled Valentines dance we will be supplying a Pie & Mash supper.

An e mail needs to be sent to plot holders asking if anyone is able to help on the Feast weekend.

It was suggested that the old notice board be used for Testimonials and a new board put up near the car park.

TREASURERS REPORT: Balance as at 30/5/13 £1815.34

There was a profit of £170 made at the Open Gardens Weekend this will be split 50/50 with the Open Gardens organisers and the Allotments.

Money Out £291.24

Money In £329.00

Cash £284.40

Bank £1530.96

It was agreed to Donate £200 each to the RTS Group suggested by Pat & Bill Morton who's daughter suffered from Rubinstein-Tabi Syndrome & The Village Church suggested by Steve & Briony Harrison.

CORRESPONDENCE: A thank you letter was received from Chris Bladen organiser of the Open Gardens weekend. They made a total of £802.40 over the weekend.

DRAINAGE: We had a meeting with the Parish Council, District Council, Water Board & CCHighways at the allotments to discuss the drainage problems last winter. It was suggested that a dyke be put in at the back of the allotment plots to help water drain away and also to check out the existing dykes for blockages. A mini digger would be needed as well as piping to allow the farmer access to the field.

The cost is to be split between the Allotments & the Parish Council but exact cost are still to be confirmed and discussed.

FAR ENTRANCE: Confirmation has been received that we can flatten the entrance to make for easier access. A letter to plot holders asking for volunteers to help with this is to be sent out.

NEW STRIP LAND: This is still to be confirmed by the farmer when this land will be available to us. A letter is to be sent out to those on the waiting list to check they are still interested in taking over a plot.

A letter will also be sent to The Cheeky Monkeys Playgroup to ask if they plan to use the plot we gave them last year as so far nothing has been done to it.

STRIMMER: It was agreed to purchase a Strimmer for tidying up the allotment paths, Trevor & Roy will do this.

BBQ: The monthly BBQ attendance is very poor and so it was agreed to hold a Free BBQ on 3rd August. Potential new plot holders on the waiting list are to be invited to attend.

WINDOWS: The old windows near the allotment entrance are to be used either for cold frames or to build a summer shelter if required.

A.O.B: It was suggested and unanimously agreed to ask Graham if he would produce again his Allotment Newsletter as this was well received an informative read and a good way of keeping everyone up to date.

Meeting Closed 9pm