

Ashfield Allotment Association

Treasurer **Joe Roper**

President **Eric Shaw**

Chairman **Daniel Barrington**

Minutes of Committee Meeting

Sunday 9th June 2013, Meeting opened at 11am

Present: Daniel Barrington, Colin Langeveld, John Byrne, Joe Roper, John Morris, Terry Wilson, Eddie Wilson

Apologies: Neill Davies

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Agreed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES –

CORRESPONDENCE – Trespass on Plots – We had a recent incident where somebody visiting a plotholder was left unsupervised on the site by themselves and went on to a nearby plot looking for worms. We will speak to the plotholder about the incident.

A complaint was received from a plotholder about the behaviour of a committee member.

Allotment Competition – We will be entering again this year, judging will be at the end of July. We will ask plotholders to nominate plots.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - There were 4 new applications for plots in May. Another person sent an email enquiry for a plot, but did not respond when asked for address/phone details so I have not added this person to the Waiting List. Member on P71A gave up and returned his key. Next person on WL was offered 71A – he arrived on time, stood at the gate and told me he had changed his mind and no longer wants a plot.

Next person on WL was then contacted, by email, then phone, he agreed to come but he just did not turn up. I had waited by the gate for 20 minutes. I left it a couple of days then contacted him. He said he had emailed to cancel the arrangement (no email received by me), and he wanted to wait a year for a plot. I advised him he would be placed at the end of the WL.

Next person on WL was contacted, but he doesn't want a plot yet, so has also gone to the end of the WL.

Fourth time lucky, I hope. The next person I contacted is coming on Sunday 12.15.

Total on waiting list 34

TREASURERS REPORT– We made £400 profit from last open day. A member has suggested that we should lay new water pipes around the site. Eddie will look into costs and report back. We still haven't bought the nursery truck, we'll discuss it at the next meeting and decide if we still need one.

FLOWER SHOW: - The schedule is prepared, we need to get the trophies back soon and get them engraved with last years winners. We'll have the trophy presentation and raffle draw at 2.30pm.

PLOT INSPECTION: - all of the letters have been sent out to plots identified at the last plot inspection. We will do another plot inspection after the meeting and send letters to any plots identified.

A O B: The small gazebo that we use for teas and cakes has now fallen apart, It was cheap and was bought five years ago so it lasted well. We will purchase a more heavy duty one this time.

John B said that he'd had a call from a neighbour in the flats about a plotholder who has been coming on to the site in a white van at 6.00am leaving the gates open and being noisy. We'll get a new sign on the gates asking people to be quiet when they enter and leave the site.

There was no other business, the meeting closed at 11.20am

The next committee meeting will be Sunday 9th June, 11am.