

Henley on Thames Allotments Association....

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 11th September 2017 at 84 Makins Road, Henley.

Attending. Doug Richards: Dave McEwan: Peter Anderson: Lewis Every: Dave Eggleton: Anne Sandars

1. Apologies...Dave Chilvers: Mandy Taylor
2. Minutes of last meeting were unavailable as Dave Chilvers has them.
3. NA
4. **Town Council matters.**

RENTS..... DR and LE have checked who is leaving and Council letters are being prepared.

DC says that NSALG fee is £3, and will check spread sheets for council

AUTOMATIC GATE /CAMERAS.....DMcE went to see ART Security Services in Henley .

Probable cost is £5000 for gate and 2 cameras.

Need Scottish and Southern for the mains electric to Watermans site.

Liz Jones at the Council will put this up to the R&A meeting.

It was suggested that this be mentioned at the AGM.

HEALTH and SAFETY.....DMcE will do an annual report to the council, after Doug and Lewis have done Autumn inspections.

EMAILS.....Laura and Dave C. to be asked for a list of 'problem' emails - emails that bounce back - so that we - the committee - can check them out.

At AGM, every person arriving could be asked to give their emails and telephone..(AS to be at the door for the arrivals...anyone else to help??)

BEST PLOT AWARDS....

Greencroft.....Best Plot..... Chris Eggleton (15A)

Best newcomer..... Cathy Hyslop (13A)

WatermansBest Plot.....Mick Blackall

Best newcomer.....David Cook (27A)

Community Award..Ken Henley and Peter (Ollie) Shepard..... shared.

These awards are given out at the Henley in Bloom presentation at the Town Hall. ? date, October??

5. AGM...30th October 2017, 6.30 pm for 7pm at the Town Hall

Dave McE to do Agenda etc and organise printing of paperwork.

With re election of officers, it was thought a good idea to ask around to see if anyone would like to come onto the committee , and to put a notice up on the boards at both sites.

LE and AS to do the notices. Also we'll put a letter to plot holders in the AGM pack.

Monday 25th Sept at 6 pm at the Town Hall, to collate papers for the AGM and put in envelopes and to use this time as a meeting too. DMcE to check venue and AGM dates are in the Town Hall diary.

6. Treasurer Dave C away.

7. **Watermans...**Plots vacant are..5 pole x2.... Starter x 2

Trees..2 trees came down and were taken away. Deer fence to be replaced.

8. **GREENCROFT...**Plots vacant are... 5 pole x 4..... 10 pole x 1.

>> Boundary hedge between Matson Drive and car park to be grubbed out by Gareth.

>> Mr Cook's fence posts near plots 30 and 32 to be inspected by Gareth and remedial work carried out....Gareth

>> Take away soil by plots 24 and 25..... Gareth

>>Spray Mares Tails by plots 24,25, 4 Gareth

>>Deer coming from woods, ask Town Clerk re culling and pigeons too.

Both sites will put up notices to say that bonfires can start again (LE and AS) together with Good Bonfire guidelines.

9. **WEB SITE.** As Mandy was not present, Dave McE and Lewis will meet with her separately

10. SOCIAL....

>> **Sat 16th Sept 2017 10 - 4 pm.** Produce & Preserves stall with the Henley Food Festival.

Dave C in charge and has 3 helpers, but needs produce.

This is also in conjunction with Greenshoots.

Everyone is to be asked for produce...

>> **CHRISTMAS SUPPER at Christ Church Centre.**

Doug is pleased to do it again and the date is

Thursday 14th December 2017 at 7 for 7.30 pm and all the trimmings !!!

Cost £20 per person.

>> **BONFIRE at Watermans...** Doug will ask the usual gang, who love doing the bonfire, which date is convenient for them to do it.

NEXT MEETINGS.....

Mon 25th September, Town Hall, 6pm for collating AGM papers,

7.30-ish for committee

meeting

Mon 30th October, Town Hall, AGM, 6.30 for 7pm

Mon 6th November at 84 Makins Road, Henley at 7.30 pm.