

GRENFELL ROAD ALLOTMENTS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	12.10.19
MEETING CHAIRED BY:	Alan Lines
PRESENT:	Alan Lines, Debbie Greensill, Debbie Devey, Andrew Middleton, Kim Clayton, Ann Robinson, Bill Cox, Stuart Lines, Jackie Kitchen, Tim Kitchen
APOLOGIES:	John Devey

SUMMARY OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM):

The Chair, Alan Lines, gave his annual report. A copy of his report will be posted on the website.

ACTIONS OUTSTANDING FROM LAST AGM:

Relocation of site notice boards; this will be actioned as soon as possible.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT:

Bank balance at September 2019 = £1651.00

This includes:

£702.80 – project area money

£200.00 – key refund money

£748.91 – cleared funds available for the site

An outstanding balance of £250.00 has been repaid to North Walsall Allotment Association for the loan given to us to set up the shop.

£400.00 was spent on removing waste from one of the communal composting areas.

Receipts and statement were available at the AGM for anyone wishing to see them.

VOTING FOR AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Chairman: This role was unopposed. Alan Lines will continue in this role. Alan can be found on plots 7 & 8.

Vice Chairman: This role was unopposed. Stuart Lines will continue in this role. Stuart can be found on plots 89 & 90.

Treasurer: This role was unopposed. Debbie Devey will continue in this role. Debbie can be found on plot 78.

Secretary: This role was unopposed. Debbie Greensill will continue in this role. Debbie can be found on plot 59.

Rent Collector: This role was unopposed. John Devey will continue in this role. John can be found on plot 65.

We would like to thank all of the above for their commitment to the running and management of Grenfell Road Allotments. We wish them every success in their roles in the coming year.

Bonfire: It was agreed that a bonfire will be held on Sunday 3rd November 2019. It will be lit at 3pm.

Water: The water supply will be turned off on Monday 4th November 2019

The AGM was then closed.

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION REQUIRED
1.	<u>HEALTH & SAFETY:</u> The floor needs mending in the ladies toilets. We are still waiting for the council to maintain the trees. There are still some unsafe structures on the site that need to be removed without delay.	 This will be actioned asap. We are expecting this to be actioned by Clean and Green between Sept 2019 and Jan 2020.
2.	<u>SITE STATUS:</u> 3 plots available It is anticipated that additional plots will become available at the beginning of November. John Devey	 Update at next meeting please.

	<p>manages the waiting list and allocation of plots.</p> <p>A discussion was held regarding the creation of 'half plots. There was a consensus at the meeting that this should be trialled going forward.</p>	
3.	<p><u>THE SHOP:</u></p> <p>Shop takings for the year were £704.57</p> <p>The view was that the shop is not being used as much as it could be, which is disappointing. However, the shop is not open that often. This is something must be looked at going forward.</p>	Discuss at next meeting please.
4.	<p><u>BANK ACCOUNT:</u></p> <p>As per details outlined earlier in these minutes.</p>	
5.	<p><u>WHG PROJECT MONEY:</u></p> <p>We have £702.80 of the project money still to spend.</p> <p>Whilst a very positive start has been made to the new communal area, work is hampered by the lack of volunteers to support its progress. It is hoped that some community volunteer contractors will help us move this aspect forward. This is something that Stuart Lines is looking into for us.</p> <p>It was suggested that we introduce a Volunteering Day to encourage more plot holders to help with the development and maintenance of the site.</p>	<p>Stuart to update on progress please.</p> <p>To discuss further at first meeting in 2020.</p>
6.	<p><u>RENT PAYMENTS:</u></p> <p>John Devey will be collecting the rent money. Notices have been posted around the site to advise plot holders of John's availability for payments.</p>	Update at next meeting please.
7.	<p><u>GRANTS:</u></p> <p>A discussion took place regarding potential grant / lottery funding applications to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Help replace the water courses ○ Upkeep the road around the site 	Progress report at next meeting please.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Build a new toilet block with disabled access facilities near to the site entrance. 	
8.	<p><u>ANY OTHER BUSINESS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The locks on the toilet block need changing. ○ The communal plastic and glass area has now been discontinued. ○ Andrew Middleton kindly offered to donate some gardening books for use in the Club House. ○ Sheds that have been erected on the roadside of plots should be removed when plots become vacant. They should be removed before the plot is re-allocated. 	<p>Alan lines will action this.</p> <p>Notices to be put up to reiterate this.</p>

THIS WAS THE LAST MEETING OF 2019.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY 14TH MARCH 2020

10.30 am, IN THE CLUBHOUSE.

ALL PLOT HOLDERS WELCOME.