

Minutes of meeting 9th September 2017

Attendees:

A Lines, D Devey, J Devey, J Bailey, P Jones, Graham M, T Bennett T Kitchen, J Kitchen, T Hancox, V Murphy.

Apologies: B Cox, K Clayton

Work Parties

A big thank you to the plot holders helping out with cleaning the site up, several plots are now ready to rent, the brook and banks look a lot better and the holes in the road are being filled.

Health and Safety

7 tonne of Scalpings purchased to fix holes in the road, Intention to purchase godfathers to fix water stations (once funds available). No further issues raised.

Plot status

2 further plots let 51 Alex and plot 74 Carl- please welcome the new tenants. Plots 87,72,71,53,52,39,21 remain uncultivated and have been advised not to accept rent for these plots.

Rent

A Middleton no longer can afford the time to collect the rent so A Lines (plot7) has been appointed by North Walsall AA and will be collecting the rent until a replacement is agreed. Rent stays the same as last year-where rent will be collected will be announced once the rent books have been handed over.

Shop

It was agreed that the shop will be independently audited (sales books & Stock) in order to ascertain the turnover of the shop on an annual basis in order to open a Bank account and satisfy the council imposed rules.

A deal has been reached with Robinsons to supply seeds to members at a 20% discount to their catalogue price (see Alan plot 7/8).

Awaiting the catalogues from a seed potato manufacturer who are also offering us a good deal.

Bank account

The requirements to open a bank account with Westminster bank have changed due to their unachievable requirements so an alternative is being sourced.

Status of funds

Outgoings= £286.44 (£150brush cutter, £105Scalpings, Strimmer Head, Strimmer wire, £17.50 Gate Keys, Petrol)
Incoming= £228 (£200 NWAA, £8 donation, £20 gate keys [refundable])
Shortfall £58.44

Donations

The site welcomes donations however big or small in order to open a bank account so we can apply for grants and demonstrate the incoming and outgoing funds going forward

Next Site meeting 7th October at 10:30 in the container.