

## MINUTES OF LRRHAA COMMITTEE MEETING: Monday 1 April 2019

7:30pm • Rose Hill Community Centre

Those in Attendance:

Jon Piggott	Co-Chair
Nicholas van Hear	Co-Chair
Catherine Gibb	Trustee
Arnold Harpin	Treasurer
Paul Wavell	Lettings Secretary
Lorin Watt	Secretary
Garth Bottomley	Committee Member
Colin Cavey	Committee Member
Khimding Devendra	Committee Member
Theresa Gurl	Committee Member
Ian Matten	Committee Member
Terry Kirkby	Member

- 1. Apologies:** William Beinart, Pearl Bevan
- 2. Minutes** of the meeting held February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 were read, agreed and signed off by Nick van Hear.
- 3. Matters arising**
  - IM has purchased two new **water butts**; the committee discussed where to place them and voted to buy a third. ⇒ **IM**
  - The Spring Newsletter is ready will be sent out upon transfer of the members list and Data Controller baton to LW. ⇒ **AH & LW**
- 4. Summer Party date:** Sunday, September 1st. Thanks to Pearl Bevan for volunteering to organise this event. Members who can assist Pearl are requested to email [Irrhaasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:Irrhaasecretary@gmail.com).
- 5. Finance Report** - The treasurer reported rents received of £ 1,960 and reviewed a list of non-payers from 2018. He and/or the lettings secretary raised queries about several of the plots concerned with a combined rental value of c. £150. Once these queries have been resolved, more should be freed for letting. £109 has come in this ytd from new lettings. ⇒ **AH & PW** The secretary will write asking departing members to return keys. ⇒ **LW**
- 6. Lettings Report.** PW has posted a list of new members at the shop. Three prospects remain on the waiting list.
- 7. Site survey of 17.3.19 and follow-up.** Most plots are now showing signs of cultivation, but allottees on three seriously neglected, one that might be problematic and one abandoned (91) will be contacted by letter. ⇒ **LW** Water catchment at the wildlife site was deliberately diverted to the pond.
- 8. Container duty swaps.** An updated rota will be circulated to committee members. ⇒ **LW**

**9. Working Party March 17<sup>th</sup> and Skip hire.** Tasks include clearing plastic from plot 91 to enable plowing and a communal bonfire, cutting back brambles on the Abberbury Road side and sorting the raised beds at the site for the disabled. ⇒ **CG** to investigate skip hire following the WP.

**10. Annual Website Fee.** The shop agrees to take over payment/reinvoicing of web fees from Colin Sharp, whom we thank for patiently enduring this responsibility to date.

**11. Action on rules violations. BONFIRES** are permitted Apr-Jun on Mon, Weds, Sat only. It is illegal to burn plastic. Only organic matter is allowed. A warning will be sent to anyone breaking the fire rules. Second offenders will be asked to leave LRRHAA. ⇒ **LW** to send warning to 71 ⇒ **CG** to post additional notice at play area.

**12. Complaints – smoke & stones.**

- CG and PW have been contacted by a neighbour at Church Way about noxious smoke from bonfires. ⇒ **JP** to write addressing this complaint.
- Plot 14 is concerned that stones and weeds are being thrown into her plot and the adjoining path creating problems with strimming. The committee will monitor this situation regularly. The immediate neighbour said no materials are being moved from his side deliberately.
- Stones collected from plots can be used to shore up the car park by the container.

**13. Plot Markers.** All plot numbers are in place, if sometimes obscured by grass.

**14. Water turn-on date:** April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**AOB**

- **Thanks to Cathy and Colin C for cutting the grass and strimming.**
- The tractor needs new bearings in order to work properly. ⇒ **CG** to contact AB to order.
- A site survey will be dedicated to reviewing water catchment facilities.
- Cathy offered to distribute LRRHAA leaflets during Rose Hill Community Centre's Clean Green Campaign.
- O&DFAA: Jon advised that the annual subscription is soon due.

**Next Committee Meeting:        June 3rd**

**Next Working Party:            April 14th**