**MINUTES OF LRRHAA COMMITTEE MEETING:** Tuesday, October 12th 2021

19:30

Cathy Gibb Trustee

Paul Wavell Lettings Secretary

Lorin Watt Secretary

Terry Pike Member

Olga Nerusheva Member

Dzmitry Batrakou Advisor

1. **Apologies**: William Beinart, Garth Bottomley, Arnold Harpin, Ian Matten, Nick van Hear
2. **Minutes** of the meeting held 16 August 2021 were approved by CG.
3. **Matters arising:**
* Thanks to Cathy for both hosting and chairing this meeting.
* The older wheelbarrows recently repaired by DB (thank you) will be left outside the container for members to borrow--and return promptly when not in use!
* Committee meetings from now will scheduled on Tuesdays

**4.** **Finance report:** The treasurer was unable to attend, but sent a note advising that

the 2020-21 accounts will be ready soon. Copies will be emailed to members in

advance of the 2021 AGM, where they will be formally presented as usual. He added that

 28 rent invoiceswere outstanding or problematic in some way as of Oct 12th. 🖝 LW to

 check re second auditor

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**5**. **Lettings report**:We have a wait list of 26. Three half plots and three quarter plots

 are vacant, but some require clearing before they can be re-let. PW believes two

 additional quarter plots will be available to let soon.

**6**. **Lease update**: The old lease has rolled over for the time being. We await revised information

 from O&DFAA about the implications of setting up as a cooperative before deciding whether

 to recommend incorporating LRRHAA.

**7**. **Bonfires**

* As standard practice fires will be banned 1 April - 15 October
* Fires will be permitted Mondays (except bank holidays), Wednesdays

 and Saturdays 16 October - 31 March

* Members with plots on or near the periphery/neighbours will be asked to use

 the communal plot 57 opposite the play area for burning

 🖝 LW to re-post the OCC bonfire policy and to email members re the revised rules, reminding everyone to also check wind direction before lighting any fires

**8. Working Party Tasks for October 16th:**

* Clearing abandoned plots, including 37B, 52b, 54B, 59A & 60A
* Final grass-cutting of the year
* Walk-around to collect rubbish
* Updating Community Board
* Painting wheelbarrows 🖝 CG to bring paint & brushes to WP
* Repairing sagging fence on Abberbury Road boundary 🖝 LW to check we may use the scaffolding pipes on 91d
* Rounding up deer (if present on the day)

**9. AGM Tuesday Nov 9th, via Zoom:** Papers the constitution requires be sent to members by October 26th are in preparation and will emailed and posted on the lrrhaa.org. Hard copies will be available on site. The papers include nomination forms for 2021 committee officers and members.

 **AOB:**

* IM confirmed by email that water has been turned off for the year. Residual water may be taken from communal collection sites. ON suggested we be sure to give members

 a week's notice in future.

* The roadways will be closed from 1 November. 🖝 LW to email members and Paul C (re manure deliveries)

 and post a notice on site.

* WB has offered to coordinate the next few newsletters.
* CG mentioned that an small electric community van can be hired from the RHCC @ £24.00 per day.
* LW to ask Parks Dept to quote for and schedule Lenthall Road hedge cutting.
* It was suggested we recruit one or two members for translation/advising the cttee how to improve communication with our Nepali members.
* It was agreed that the loo should be opened as needed. Details to be worked out at the next meeting (keys for access, a cleaning rota, etc.).
* ON presented draft shop accounts, which anticipate a profit of c £200. Once the others present had picked our jaws off the floor, we thanked Olga for this unprecedented performance and for transforming the appearance of the shop. Advice on accounting for long-unsold stock items would be welcomed.
* CG again offered her kitchen for the Oct 26th meeting

**Next Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, October 26th

**Next Working Party:**  Saturday, October 16th

***Late-breaking news***: Phil H was checking the Abberbury Road hedge in prep for

 electric trimming after the WP on Sat and noticed that

 sloes are ripe for picking if anyone would like them.