

## Minutes meeting Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm Mirrlees Drive

**Present:** Trish/Marilyn/Marliese/Gordon/Vicky/Mo/Catriona

**Apologies:** Isobel, John and Emma

**Acceptance of minute of meeting April 2016:** Agreed

### **Matters arising**

- **Meeting re complaint:** update on response from plot holder; is refusing to meet and inviting the Committee to expel him from KAA. The complaint against him by another member has now been outstanding since 2015 and the Committee is obliged to find a way to investigate it. CR to pull together correspondence for Trish to get advice from GCC allotments officer;
- **Japanese Knotweed:** TG has followed up with flats agent who has agreed to get in touch with solicitor.
- **Communication:** Agreed worth doing a simple bulletin, newsletter more formal and too people on the waiting list.
- **Meadow area Kirklee:** Now marked out and seems to be resolved;
- **Website development and domain name:** JH has not replied to emails which followed the discussion at the last Committee and seems not willing to engage about transferring domain name. CR to ask JH again and if answer no to ask that site is clearly marked on the front page as his personal site not KAA. CR has had further advice from BDlaR about alternative domain names.
- **Committee:** correspondence with JH: Noted that TG has replied to all of these points and there is nothing further to add. JH items have been added to agenda where requested in time.
- **Community Grants application:** worth doing but not successful, we committed to spend money on Kirklee so aim is to use open day income to fund barrier plants.
- **Website:** JH has not shared the proposed material he wanted to put on the web site. CR to follow up.

**Treasurer's Business:** Question had been asked about source of funds for the NE corner. CR noted source was mix of membership fees, donations, compost sales, grants and open day proceeds. Information was included in the Treasurers report which was issued to all members for the 2015 AGM and was on the AGM agenda for any issues to be raised

### **Committee Secretary's Business**

- Question from plot holder about planning plum tree noted;
- Prizes: alternative judge arrangements noted;
- Correspondence from JT: agreed we cannot email non KAA stuff around members as we get so many requests but offer of leaflets for distribution at the open day and poster on board;

### **Membership Secretary's Business**

- All plots now let;
- Agreed communication to go from President welcoming new members; reminder on open day and communication about inspections;

### **Site maintenance report**

- Continuing security issues at Kirklee;
- Green cage successful;

- Issues with a rat at Julian;
- Inspection 22<sup>nd</sup> May outcomes:-
  - Map to be produced of responsibility for raised beds;
  - A Julian plot to be asked cut back overgrowth;
  - Need to informally check new Julian plot holders are OK and remind about need to make progress or option to remain on waiting list if they are not ready for a plot at this stage;
  - Isabel was linking with a Kirklee plot holder need feedback from that.
  - Need general nudge about Kirklee paths and numbers;

**Open Days:**

- BBQ stuff needs buying; Cups and tea and coffee;
- Gazebo booked; CR
- Doodle poll resend; CR
- Savoury requests;
- Ask plot holders to be around on plots

**Clear up cover:** put notice up reminding dates, next dates wednesday CR and VW covering; Saturday GMcD and TG.

**Sustainability:** Agreed to ask Larry; Marliese

**Meeting venues:** JH proposal, not present so proposal not clear;

**AOCB:**

- Further meeting requested by plot holder; followed up by email issues being raised about inspections. Her proposal had been previously discussed at the Committee. Agreed to confirm TG response that plot holder; is encouraged to ask ploholders in touch with her to come forward and engage with Committee directly so that we can address issues.
- Suggestion of GAF representative from the Committee, unfortunately no one has time to do due to other commitments;
- plot holder; had also asked Gordon to raise concerns about cutting back and biodiversity, noted.
- Inspections 26<sup>th</sup> June at 11am and 24<sup>th</sup> July at 11am

**Date and time of next meeting:** Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2016 7.30pm and 26<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm.  
Agreed Mirrlees Drive an acceptable venue.