

Blandford Allotment Society
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Minutes of Committee meeting held
On Tuesday 10th May 2022 at 7 pm
At Lamperds Field Potting Shed

Attendees :

Ian Ricketts, John Harding, Barbara Marjoram, Annette Baxter, Phil and Carol Williams, Dave Buchan.

Apologies: Ann Edwards, Virginia Barnard, Peter Brundish

1. The Minutes of the meeting dated 21st March 2022 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

2. No matters arising.

3. REPORTS

(a) Chairman – Ian Ricketts

The annual meeting with the Council is 7 June 2022. This is when the rents for 2022/3 will be agreed, a review of allotment accounts and a review of agreements will be discussed.

(b) Treasurer – John Harding

As at 10 May 2022 the bank balance is £3763.93 - £67.81 petty cash is held by me. This is about the same as last year, which is good really as we have spent £1000 on the tractor.

Final reminder for any expenses, incurred by committee members, to be claimed before end of May

(c) Plot Allocator – Barbara Marjoram

Since the last meeting in March 7 plots have been let at Lamperds Field. This still leaves a waiting list for both sites.

1 person at ER has failed to pay and has undertaken no work on the plot and is now being evicted.

At LF- 3 people have given up their plots.

A plot inspection has taken place and yellow warning letters are in the process of being sent out to 2 plot holders at Lamperds Field and 5 people at Elizabeth Road. A further plot inspection will take place next month.

There are 3 gaps in the cleaning rota for the hut at Lamperds Fields and we would appreciate it if some tenants can volunteer and sign up on the list in the hut please.

(d) Seed Secretary – Annette Baxter

Nothing to report

(e) Elizabeth Road – Phil and Carol Williams

The hedge at the road end has grown over the path again and will require cutting back. (ACTION)

The area that is being developed as a hazel coppice will need spraying as there are brambles growing back. (ACTION – ask council if they can spray with weed killer that will kill off the bramble.)

(f) Webmaster – Virginia Barnard

No report.

(g) Site Maintenance – Dave Buchan

The tractor is now running very well after the major service and repairs.

(h) Social Secretary – Ann Edwards

Details circulated of log in details for the National Allotment Society.

Please note new start for coffee mornings is now 10.30 a.m.

Please refer to the minutes of the last meeting (21st March) for 2022 diary dates for events.

Can allotment holders please inform the Secretary if they are not receiving emails from her. (See email address below).

(i) Committee Member – Peter Brundish

No report.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – None

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 28th June 2022 at 7 pm at Lamperds Field.

6. The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

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12th May 2022