

MOORSIDE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4 DECEMBER 2018 AT 5.30 P.M. IN THE NUNSMOOR CENTRE

PRESENT: Susan Pownall (in the Chair), Krys Gaffney, Sue Brophy, Nicola Francis, Sue Johnson, Frank Lightfoot, Steve McDonnell and Tony Whittle. Rich Littlewood was also present.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Nick Coster.

COMMUNITY AREA SUB-GROUP

Rich Littlewood presented the strategy for establishing a community plot on plots 64/65a. The loss of two plots would mean a loss of revenue for the association but events held in the area would generate income; these could include barbecues, a cinema evening, an open day, an event during National Allotment Week in August as well as the Moorside show. Funding sources would need to be explored but crowd and ward funding could finance the basic materials that were needed such as paving, seating, grass seed etc. The Plant Scheme wished to remain at their present location on plot 86. The sub-group responsible for the project would approach individuals for the organisation of events and would liaise with other sites e.g. Highbury. The committee agreed the proposal but would formally need to know who was involved in the sub-group and the motion 'to use the space as a community garden' would be taken forward to the AGM. **SP** would approach the Allotments Officer for the use of equipment to clear and level the area.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING held on 6 November had been distributed to Committee members. Members of the Comfrey Project were considering their proposal to help gardeners with their plots. There had been a delivery of manure for members at the top of the west lane.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

KG reported that tree surgeons had balanced the willow on the east lane.

TREASURER'S REPORT

NF would look into the availability of the church hall for the AGM which would need to be held at the end of January; the AGM papers would need to be circulated during the first week of the month.

TRADING HUT MANAGER'S REPORT

The Trading Hut takings for November amounted to £215.65. Jam sales on Apple Day had generated £87.

HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE

The toilets had been closed for the winter.

WAITING LIST AND LETTINGS

There had been no change during November and there were still 25 people on the waiting list.

NAWG MATTERS

There was nothing to report.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

♦ **SP** would pursue the issue of parking outside the site on Fenham Hall Drive.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Committee meeting will be on Tuesday 8 January 2019 at 5.30 p.m. in the Nunsmoor Centre.

The meeting closed at 6.40 p.m.

KG

6 January 2019