

## MOORSIDE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

### MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 5 JUNE 2018 AT 5.30 P.M. IN THE NUNSMOOR CENTRE

**PRESENT:** Susan Pownall (in the Chair), Kryss Gaffney, Sue Brophy, Nick Coster, Sue Johnson, Frank Lightfoot and Tony Whittle.

There were no **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING** held on 1 May had been distributed to Committee members. A temporary addition to the tenancy agreement allowed prospective tenants to tick a box indicating how they wished to be contacted. With the exception of the member on plot 27, **SP** had spoken to the ploholders affected by the bamboo planted on plot 26 outlining the strategy for its removal. The member on plot 107b would be allowed to construct her lean-to but would need to paint it. There was no progress on the issue of parking outside Moorside. **SP** requested an updated membership list to allow her to contact members.

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Entries for the City Allotments Competition were due in early July. Selection of the plots to be nominated would take place before the closing date on 6 July.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**NF** was not present at the meeting.

#### **TRADING HUT MANAGER'S REPORT**

£1,169.79 had been banked in May. **SP** was expecting a delivery of 75-litre bags of soil conditioner (at £2.50 per bag) on 6 June.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE**

**SM** was not present at the meeting. A plastic play climbing-frame on the free shelf would need to be broken up and disposed of since it was dangerous.

#### **WAITING LIST, LETTINGS AND INSPECTIONS**

**TW** reported that there were 33 people on the waiting list. The new tenant on plot 75 had cleared the plot and would like to remove an established tree; **SP** would write to him stating that he was not to do so. **FL** reported that weedkiller would need to be applied to plots 64/65a and that the area would need to be raked to get rid of glass fragments; it was unlikely that the plots would be ready for re-letting until the autumn but could possibly be made into two plots. **SP** thanked **SM**, **FL**, Eddie Gilchrist and Farid Yousefi for their hard work clearing the site. Recognised ploholders sometimes have helpers in their gardens; it was felt that it would be helpful for keyholders to provide the committee with a list of helpers who visit the site. Various plots were a cause for concern; **SP** would write to the following members:-

Plots 20, 33 and 101 - suggest that they go down to a half-plot

Plot 52, 60a, 60b, 78 and 90a - little or no progress in the garden

#### **MOORSIDE BEE GROUP**

**SJ**, **TW** and David Rochester had begun preliminary discussions about the beekeeping leaflet. **SB** and **KG** would plant up the tubs.

#### **NAWG MATTERS**

The Annual Allotments Forum would be held on 17 June at 7.00 p.m. and **SP** would be standing for re-election as a Site Representative. Final discussions would be held about devolution to a trust.

#### **2018 PLANT SCHEME**

May had been very busy and the scheme had made a total of £890 by the end of the month. The scheme would open on Thursday evening on 7 June from 6.30 - 7.30 p.m.

#### **2018 MOORSIDE ANNUAL SHOW**

Minutes of the show committee's meeting had been circulated to Committee members.

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### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- ◆ John Reid used to give a 5-minute talk on a local radio programme; was there anyone who wanted to replace him?

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**The next Committee meeting will be on Tuesday 3 July 2018 at 5.30 p.m. in the Nunsmoor Centre. There will be a site inspection at 2.00 p.m.**

The meeting closed at 6.40 p.m.

**KG**

**24 June 2018**