

MOORSIDE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 2 OCTOBER 2018 AT 5.30 P.M. IN THE NUNSMOOR CENTRE

PRESENT: Susan Pownall (in the Chair), Krys Gaffney, Sue Brophy, Nick Coster, Nicola Francis, Sue Johnson, Frank Lightfoot, Steve McDonnell and Tony Whittle.

There were no **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING held on 4 September had been distributed to Committee members. **SM** had contacted St. Oswald's hospice about making a donation (£50 from sale of scrap metal from plots 64/65a) and was awaiting their response.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

KG had received the second half of the rent demand (£1,989.32) from the Council.

TREASURER'S REPORT

NF reported that the Moorside show had broken even. She had received the seed potato list for 2019.

TRADING HUT MANAGER'S REPORT

SP was expecting a delivery of manure on 15 October and a delivery of compost was due from CTS; soil conditioner had been ordered. The Trading Hut takings for September amounted to £342.29.

HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE

SM reported that there were no issues arising from the risk assessments. The damaged willow on the east path had been safely sectioned off; there was no date for when the repair work would be carried out. The fence on plot 71 was leaning and **SM** would bring the matter to the member's attention. Signage for the toilets had been put up around the site.

WAITING LIST, LETTINGS AND INSPECTION

There were 25 people on the waiting list and plot 78 had been re-let. In total, 14 plots had been re-let during the last year. **FL** and **SM** had measured plots 64/65a as having an area of 4,320 square feet; based on the area of plot 107b (2,160 square feet) it was agreed that 64/65a could be divided into two new full plots.

MOORSIDE BONFIRE NIGHT

This would be held on Friday 2 November at 6.00 p.m. As event manager, Richard Littlewood had produced an event manual which **SM** would email to committee members. A risk assessment for the event had already been carried out; the water supply would be operative and the toilet area and paths would be illuminated. Emily Sweetman and Angus Aitchison would supply light refreshments. There would be no fireworks but sparklers for children would be allowed.

NAWG MATTERS

SP had nothing to report; the next NAWG meeting would be on 15 November.

2018 MOORSIDE ANNUAL SHOW

This item would be discussed at the November committee meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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- ◆ **SB** reported that there would be a sale of James White's works of art.
- ◆ Beverley Sawyer's jam-making generated a lot of revenue for Moorside and she had asked for a measure of compensation to cover her expenditure on gas and electricity. It was agreed that she should be offered a nominal sum of £20 for her services.
- ◆ Discussion of the Comfrey Project's proposal for helping members on their plots would be deferred until the November committee meeting.
- ◆ **KG** would correct outstanding committee minutes and forward them to Richard Littlewood (with a copy to **SP**) for publication on the website.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Committee meeting will be on Tuesday 6 November 2018 at 5.30 p.m. in the Nunsmoor Centre.

The meeting closed at 6.40 p.m.

KG

1 November 2018