

EALING DEAN ALLOTMENT SOCIETY

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING. Weds 18th April 2018 19.30

PRESENT: Crispin Harris, Christina Fox , Christine Charles, Paul McConnell, and Jon Wilkins

MATTERS ARISING

- Paths to be surveyed
- Photos in guidelines
- Data Protection. Different strategies for each list.

Chair's report – May 2018

Plots rented out: 147 Gardening club all four rented 227 Gardening club all five rented 240 Gardening club 5 of 7 rented 226B Plots available: 240 Gardening club 2 of 7 still available 221A

Plots being left un-rented due to the development:

159, Simon K - 148A Linda - 217A Chris - 224 Tim and Kelly - 231

Adrienne

* I still have not heard back from Pathways as to who has NOT paid their rent. This is after multiple emails and one request in person. This means there may still be more half plots to rent out.

* I spent a couple of hours showing Mark Hickson the new housing manager around the site including the Radbourne Walk. I gave him the history talk and the background to us taking over management of the site.

* Getting hold of potential plot holders on the waiting list is continuing to be a slow process. Multiple texts, emails, voicemail and even posting a letter through their door – managed to elicit zero response from some people. I think we need to spend some time each year going through our list and checking people's contact information is up to date and that they are still interested in a plot.

* We held our first Open Day Planning meeting in the Forester Pub. Around 12 people attended. Lots of people volunteered to sort out various tasks – so it looks like we are off to a good start.

* I have been contacted by Paul Carter who represents Ascott allotments at the EAP committee meetings. In his email he asks about our SINC. We are now trying to arrange a get together with one of the rangers to find out more about SINC designation.

* I have entered Northfields into the Ealing in Bloom competition. Fingers crossed.

Maintenance

* The whips arrived from Ashridge Nursery and have now pretty much all been planted (by Simon) in the gaps we identified.

* The volunteer day was very well attended - even though it was a bank holiday weekend. A skip was filled (again). The communal plot was cleared of more rubbish and plot 148's shed was dealt with.

Treasurer's Report

Secretary's Report

Nominations been sent for the AGM

Christine is going to enquire about opening an account with the skip hire firm,

Website

We need photographs for the website

OPEN DAY

- Open Day will be 1pm- 5pm
- Boards for the History display
- We are not going to use the scarecrows from the Fielding display
- Co-ordinating with skips.
- Site inspection and Paths beforehand.
- Awards to be displayed on the plots.

AOB

- One tenant per plot not multiple tenants.
- Hedgerow maintenance

Date of next meeting 13th JUNE