



Minutes of Committee Meeting Monday 15th November 2021

1. Present: Chairman; Carole Allen-Morley, Secretary; Denise Audoire, Treasurer; Iain Messenger, Grounds Maintenance Co-ordinator; Wayne Lawrence, Committee; Bill Chandler, Melissa Doherty, Jenny Fakes, Craig Findlater, Rob Hiley, Diane Kingston, Stephen Treglown, James Vaughan
2. Apologies – None
3. Minutes of the last Committee Meeting Monday 13th September 2021 were approved
4. Matters Arising – None
5. AGM Minutes 11th October 2021 –
Item 6. Chair's Chat – Stephen suggested amending item 3. "Community" aim – Members agreement for their names to be known to all Committee and their plot number and Christian names to be posted on the notice board. Carole will modify.
AGM Minutes will not need to be approved until the next AGM.
6. Matters Arising AGM –
 - a. Rule Changes – Rule 9c & 9f were approved. Rule 9f should prevent RAHA receiving a Statutory Nuisance order. Committee will only be responsible for bonfires during the permitted week. Bonfires complaints outside of the permitted week the complainant will have to go to individual plot holders.
 - b. Community Aim – Members names and plot numbers to be known to the Committee, was agreed. Members will be asked if they agree for their Christian names and plot numbers to be posted on the notice board.
 - c. New Cycleway – Carole contacted the project Manager for the Southampton Road Cycleway concerning the need for warning signs for cyclists at the RAHA entrance. The entrance is classed as a private driveway and is therefore will not eligible for warning signs.
7. Finances –
 - a. Rent Collection / Outstanding Rent – Rent and subs of £3,300 has been collected. 40 Members still to pay. Melissa will send a reminder on Facebook. Members still owing rent 3 days after the Facebook reminder, Iain will contact.
 - b. Income & Expenditure – Rent to Broadlands of £1,600 has been paid. No other expenses or income.
8. Plots Update / Waiting List -
 - There are 6 vacant plots – 6B / 23A / 24A / 24B / 93A / & 116A. Total of 8 plots have been let – 110 / 74 / 108B / 86 / 141A / 113 / 63A / & 126. There are 42 on the waiting list including 7 Members wanting extra plots.
 - Surrender of plots – An agreed leaving date is needed when a Member surrenders their plot. A suggestion that one officer would contact the Member to confirm the leaving date. After that date, the plot will be considered vacant and available to re-let. The suggestion was agreed.

9. Storage Container – The container delivery will be delayed until next spring.
10. Plots Upkeep / Inspections –
 - Iain and Stephen will do an inspection in December to identify and report any plots not being worked. Denise will give Stephen a list of vacant plots and any about to become vacant.
 - A path dispute has developed between two Members. Carole will contact the Members involved.
 - There are still several plots without numbers on. Carole will send out an e-mail reminding Members to number their plots. Any plots not numbered will be done so by the Committee. Rob will make up some markers and paint the number on them.
11. Grounds Maintenance –
 - a. Working parties / Boundary Fence / Saplings – Wayne can repair some of the fence with timber. Around 40 – 50 saplings have been donated by the Wilder Romsey. Holly and Hazel will be planted by the boundary fence and Hawthorn and Hazel can be planted in the Southampton Road boundary hedge. It was decided not to plant any between RAHA plots and Town plots as it was impractical and would disturb wildlife. Jenny will organise the planting of saplings. Wayne has planted bulbs along the Southampton road boundary hedge. Anyone who has spare bulbs please give to Wayne to plant.
 - b. Manure & Woodchip Delivery Bay - Base / Sign - A Member had suggested a firm base was needed on the floor of the bay. A base of paving slabs was considered a safety hazard, as it would become uneven. The Committee agreed not to have a base. The Committee will make a sign for the manure and woodchip bay – “Manure / Woodchip ; Committee Authorised Deliveries Only”. The metal recycling area needs a sign for – “Metal Recycling ; No Wire”. The Committee will make the sign.
 - c. Notice Board to be moved – As deliveries have been managed with the notice board in place, it was considered unnecessary to move the notice board.
 - d. Roads – Potholes have stood up well since the road repair. Only 2 Members have complained. It was agreed that the road will be repaired again when needed probably in the summer. Carole will chase Scottish Power and the Railway for a contribution towards the cost.
12. Dobies Seeds – Dobies has not yet paid any discount due for the seed order. Denise will contact them about it. Denise will place spare catalogues in the seed bin at the main notice board.
13. A O B –
 - Wayne suggested we lay a wreath next year for Remembrance Sunday. Carole will contact the person from the Royal British Legion who organises it.
 - Members with skills for pump maintenance will be asked via Facebook to offer their help in running a pump maintenance workshop next year.
14. Diary Dates –

Committee Meeting – Monday 10th January 2022 / (Zoom)

Committee Meeting – Monday 7th March 2022 / Comrades Club

Committee Meeting – Monday 9th May 2022 / Comrades Club

Committee Meeting – Monday 4th July 2022 / Comrades Club

Committee Meeting – Monday 5th September 2022 / Comrades Club

Romsey Show – Saturday 10th September 2022

A G M – Monday 10th October 2022 / Comrades Club

Rent Day – Saturday 15th October 2022 / Comrades Club

Committee Meeting – Monday 14th November 2022 / Comrades Club

