

## Minutes of Committee Meeting Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 (Zoom)

- 1. Present: Chairman; Carole Allen-Morley, Secretary; Denise Audoire, Grounds Maintenance Coordinator; Wayne Lawrence, Committee; Bill Chandler, Melissa Doherty, Jenny Fakes, Rob Hiley, Diane Kingston, Stephen Treglown
- 2. Apologies Craig Findlater, Iain Messenger & James Vaughan
- 3. Minutes of the last Committee Meeting Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021 were approved
- 4. Matters Arising AGM Minutes Item 6, amendment Referring to the "Community aim", Carole has adjusted slightly to make it clearer. First item: The Committee would know the first and surnames of Members with their plot numbers. Second item: Members first names and plot numbers be made public with their permission. The AGM Minutes were approved. Carole will send out the amended Minutes to Members.
- 5. Finances Denise read lain's report in his absence
  - a. Rent collection / Outstanding rent Iain has named three Members for non payment of rent, but there were others who were not named. He will be asked to identify all of them and confirm how much rent is owed.
  - Income / Expenditure Balance held in Teachers Building Society £3,500 £10.50 interest received into Current Account, HSBC Deposit Account £5,444.55 & HSBC Current Account £2,267.33. Denise will ask Iain for a more detailed summary to include, income, expenses, total deposits and RAHA funds available for spending.
- 6. Plots Update / Waiting List There are 4 vacant plots 6B / 23A / 24A & 24B.. Total of 4 plots have been let 93A / 100A / 116A & 129. Member moved from plot 129 to 100A. There are 38 on the waiting list. Denise pointed out that plots 24A and 24B could be combined as one plot to make it a 6 rod plot. Rob Hiley who has been on the waiting list for an extra plot, showed interest in plot 24. It was decided that he could take the plot and Denise will send him the paperwork. After the decision was made for Rob to take on the plot there will be 2 vacant plots left. The family of a Member who recently passed away will be contacted in the spring to discuss the future of the plot.
- 7. New Rule Book Printing New rule books need to be printed to include recent changed agreed at the AGM. Denise will send the necessary changes to Carole and Diane will proof read it before going to the printers. Members will receive a copy by e-mail and be able to pick up a new rule book at the next AGM and rent day. About 300 copies will be printed.
- 8. Storage Container Still no news for a delivery date.

- 9. Plots Upkeep / Inspections Iain and Stephen inspected the plots in December and sent a report to Carole and Denise. Five plots were picked up. Four Members will be contacted and one other Member who has not paid their rent, will be evicted.
- 10. Grounds Maintenance
  - a. Roads Wayne will try to get some materials to fill in some of the worse potholes. A planned repair will take place in the summer.
  - b. Working parties / Boundary fence repair / Sapling planting Jenny has been unable to contact the person organising the distribution of saplings. She suggested as we have lots of hedging and trees, that we should look more closely at conserving the insect population. To do this, Members can refrain from cutting grass paths too short, compost materials, use mulch and not use pesticides. Carole will chase the Wilder Romsey contact up. If we do not receive the saplings from them we can buy some.
  - c. Manure & Woodchip delivery area / Sign Wayne will get the material to make the sign
- 11. Plot Numbering Rob has made up 43 numbers for the plots. He will put them on the plots with the help of Denise for plot identification. Members can still make their own numbers up if they wish. Carole has updated the site plan which she will distribute to Committee.
- 12. Dobies Seeds We received a cheque from Dobies for the discount scheme in November for £107. Slightly less than last year.
- 13. A. O. B. -
  - Memorial flowers placed at the exit gate will be left for the time being. Rob has a rose which he will plant there.
  - Bill asked Wayne for some more pallets. Wayne will deliver them.
  - Denise asked Wayne if he could remove the greenhouse glass left at the main notice board. He agreed to remove it.
  - The Committee agreed that the March Committee Meeting be held on Zoom. The Committee Meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> July may be changed, as Carole will be on holiday.
  - Asbestos found on a plot will be removed and taken to the nearest suitable refuge centre by the plot holder.
  - Dobbies Garden Centre at Cadnam are selling seeds at half price. The Hampshire Potato day at Whitchurch has been cancelled. Gilbert's at Sheffield English sell a variety of seed potatoes.

## 14. Diary Dates –

Committee Meeting – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2022 / Zoom Committee Meeting – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022 Committee Meeting – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022 / Location to be decided Committee Meeting – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 / Comrades Club Romsey Show – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2022 A G M – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022 / Comrades Club Rent Day – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2022 / Comrades Club Committee Meeting – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022 / Comrades Club

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