

<b>Shepherd's Hill Allotment Association Committee Meeting Minutes October 13th 2022</b>		
	<p><b>Present;</b> Juliet Mann, Jill Russell, Julie Yogasundram, Jo Sheehan, Annie Griffiths.</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Garry Doyland, Stephen Cushnir, Ian Potts, Trevor Wyatt</p>	
1.	<p><b><u>Minutes of last meeting: accuracy</u></b></p> <p>Approved.</p>	
2.	<p><b><u>Matters arising</u></b></p> <p>The last Sunday lunch on 25<sup>th</sup> October had gone well, and we recruited 3 new soup-makers.</p> <p>When using the card reader, we should use the 'add description' option to distinguish lunch from trading shed sales.</p>	
3.	<p><b><u>Maintenance</u></b></p> <p>The track work has been completed. Our thanks to Ian for organising this.</p> <p>A plotholder who's left has donated two wheelbarrows. Annie will look into repairing some of the communal ones with hard wheels. We will put out an ad in the next newsletter for a wheelbarrow handyperson.</p> <p>Helen, who lives in the last house in Montenotte Rd by the gate had been in touch about the surface water problem at the bottom of her drive that runs across in front of the allotment gate. Thames Water's investigations are ongoing. Julie and Ian have both spoken with Helen and she will continue to keep us updated.</p>	AG
4.	<p><b><u>Site inspections/probationers and lettings</u></b></p> <p>Haringey have appointed a new allotment officer, Vicky Stones.</p> <p>This year (since the last AGM in November) we've let 13 plots.</p> <p>We discussed two requests we'd received for neighbouring tenants to move to a recently vacated plot. We agreed to treat any such request on the individual circumstances. In this particular case, we will offer the vacant plot to the first tenants who made the request. Julie to draft an email to send to both tenants. For information, we will enquire how other site committees in Haringey respond to such</p>	JY JM/JR

	<p>requests.</p> <p>The committee also received a request for a boundary change between two plots, one of which is likely to become vacant and has an overgrown apple tree near its boundary. We will need to consider this request in liaison with the Haringey allotment officer, as with past proposed boundary changes. The tenants have been informed that the outgoing tenant has not as yet submitted a termination form.</p>	
6.	<p><b><u>Trading Shed</u></b></p> <p>Potato day will be 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023.</p>	AG
7.	<p><b><u>Communication</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wheelbarrow handyperson wanted</li> <li>• Reminder that if thinking of giving up your plot notice needs to be given before 1<sup>st</sup> Dec to avoid incurring rent for next year.</li> <li>• Reminder that if you have a large plot that you're finding difficult to manage to get in touch. We have a long waiting list.</li> <li>• Reminder about potatoes (all available except Premiere) and save the date for potato day in February.</li> <li>• Trading shed open fortnightly from beginning November until potato day.</li> <li>• Request for new committee members</li> <li>• Dates for the diary, including AGM</li> <li>• Julie's apple cake recipe</li> <li>• Food bank update</li> </ul>	JR
8.	<p><b><u>Barn events and Future plans</u></b></p> <p>Next Sunday lunch on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, preceded by another bee talk from Esther.</p> <p>Wed 9<sup>th</sup> November: Café at the Barn</p> <p>20<sup>th</sup> November: AGM at 12.00 followed by Winter Warmer.</p>	
9.	<p><b><u>Finance</u></b></p> <p>Jo will update the Report fro 2021/22 and add the finance information for the period 1 April – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022.</p>	
10.	<p><b><u>Allotment Forum</u></b></p> <p>Juliet attended the recent Forum meeting. Points of note:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A lengthy debate about co-workers. One suggestion was that tenants be required to re-register co-workers with the Council on an annual basis.</li> <li>• Other sites, like ours, have had no updates from the Haringey Conservation Officer (in our case, about JKW).</li> <li>• Alex Fraser indicated that looked after 'orchard' plots count as cultivation.</li> </ul>	
11.	<p><b><u>AOB</u></b></p> <p>None.</p>	
12.	<p><b><u>Date of next meeting</u></b></p> <p>To be arranged, probably w/b 5<sup>th</sup> December, once a new committee is appointed at the AGM.</p>	