

COMMITTEE MEETING MARCH 9th 2023

Present Annie Griffiths, Juliet Mann, Nevil Yildiz, Julie Yogassundram, Trevor Wyatt, Garry Doyland
Apologies Jo Sheehan, Jill Russell

Minutes of last meeting: Approved

Matters arising Annie plus the UK Power Network team have reseeded the grass area outside the Barn. No other matters arising.

MAINTENANCE When the weather improves Ian to finish levelling water troughs and fitting valves. Water to go on soon after cold snap. We are to research obtaining more hardcore and gravel to finish the tracks, possibly through the newsletter. (Although I see there has been some reply from Bruno this morning....) Nevil to help with maintenance. ACTION: IP & NY

SITE INSPECTIONS We have let 5 plots and discussed one of the 3 'hard to let' which a new probationer is interested in. We agreed that once the rubbish has been sorted we would arrange a working party to help move it. Ian will find out from CREOS if a truck can be brought down the slope to the pedestrian gate. ACTION: IP

The boundary request that the Council agreed should be turned down has been successfully resolved and everyone concerned is happy.

The vandalism on one of the plots....Julie to contact the plot holders and check the witness details with two others. ACTION: JY

TRADING SHED The condition of the shed is getting depressing. Annie worried about asbestos. Ian going to get John (architect) to have a look. We had a very good response to the survey. There is a lot to do before applying for a lottery grant though.

Liz to do a stock take. Annie to circulate what is being delivered on the Trading Shed WhatsApp group so people running the shed can advise plot holders what will be coming in.

BARN EVENTS AND FUTURE PLANS

Sunday March 26th Esther's 'Spring' Bee talk

Monday March 27th Art at the Barn 10.30 - 1pm max 10 Book early!

Sunday April 2nd Working Party 10.30 - 1.30

Wednesday April 12th 10.30 - 12 Café at the Barn (bridge at 10.00?)

Sunday April 23rd Annie to ask Gary S if he will give a talk about 'soil enhancers' plant foods etc Followed by lunch

Wednesday May 10th Café at the Barn

Sunday May 14th Plant Sale 12 - 3 (plus refreshments/sandwiches?)

AGM

It was agreed to discuss the AGM at the next meeting

COMMUNICATION WITH PLOT HOLDERS

Barn Events as above plus thanks to all those who completed the Trading Shed survey.

FINANCE

Finance report received from Jo.

ALLOTMENT FORUM

Next meeting on April 15th

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 20th April, 2pm in the Barn. Nevil to chair