

MOORSIDE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2011 AT 5.30 P.M. IN THE COMMUNITY HUT, MOORSIDE ALLOTMENTS

PRESENT: Peter Whewell, Krys Gaffney, Sue Brophy, Sue Johnson, Nicola Loose, Sue Pownall and Tony Whittle.

There were no **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING held on 2 August 2011 were distributed to Committee members at the meeting. There were no matters arising from the minutes.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

There was one more application for an allotment. **KG** had received a request for the Committee to consider the felling of a laburnum tree on plot 26 and for the crown of a sycamore on plot 25 to be raised. The Committee agreed that the Council would be asked to carry out this work.

TREASURER'S REPORT

NL would compile a summary of the monies taken at the show. A new gas cylinder had been obtained which would last for several years, and gazebos would be bought for future use at the tea and cake stall. The bee interpretation boards had eventually been received and installed after **NL** had written to the supplier.

TRADING HUT MANAGER'S REPORT

SP would be ordering more manure and compost and there had been further requests for scaffolding boards. **SP** and **David Vincent** would liaise with seed companies and potato suppliers to secure the best value offers for the Association.

BEE GROUP

The bees at Moorside were continuing to thrive. **TW** would obtain a nucleus hive to be used to be used as a back up.

NAWG MATTERS

NAWG was presently concentrating on the organisation of the City show. Site inspections with each NAWG rep and the Allotments Officer would be carried out in future to allow the reps to familiarise themselves with the problems in their areas.

MOORSIDE 2011 SHOW

The top tray prize had not been awarded and vouchers remained as a result; it was agreed that these should be awarded to Dave Eason. It was felt that the raffle prizes should be advertised more widely at the show itself. Produce from the show had been donated to St. Oswald's Hospice.

PLOTS

The tenant of plot 86 was leaving and the plot would now be let to Dave (50); the half-plot that he vacated would be offered to Gillian (13), making one full plot from the two half plots 13 and 50 Renny and April (88b) would move to plot 92. Dave (105b) would be asked if he would like to move to plot 91. The fate of plot 59 was still unclear...

GREEN ENERGY UPDATE

Consultations on the feasibility of this project would continue.

FLOODING

PW was waiting to hear from Sue Stokel-Walker who was to raise the issues of flooding and planting outside Moorside at a meeting of the Town Moor Planning Committee on 1 September.