

Alers Road Leisure Gardens Association Committee Meeting Minutes - 21st May 2017

Present	Apologies for Absence
Adrian Hawthorne - Chairman	John Harrison
John Hollands - Secretary	
Derrick Martin – Deputy Chair	
Ray Mitchell	
Mary Harrison	
Linda Hartard	
John Cockerill	
Eddy Haydon	
Roy Seymour	

Min	Item
1.0	OPEN ACCESS
	None
2.0	Minutes of Committee Meeting 26 March 2017
	Minutes were taken as read and signed as a true record.
3.0	MATTERS ARISING
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank Signatures still outstanding
4.0	CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
	Thanks for the Rain!!! Plots now growing well. Also thanks to the 'Boys' who repaired the main gate – much appreciated by everyone
5.0	TREASURER'S REPORT
	Little changed from last meeting. Good financial position with assets of £23.3K
6.0	PLOTS REPORT
	1 and ½ plots vacant, but Paul Knight's plot (45) is also vacant, him having been evicted, but it was agreed that we will not look to let the plot for a few weeks to see PK's reaction. John Broughton (86) has been persuaded to give up the plot as he hasn't cultivated it for the last year due to ill health. He has been offered priority for a new plot when he is better. Extensive work being undertaken to clear the plot, and some of JB's possessions have been stored awaiting his collection.
7.0	MACHINERY
	One of the Stihl trimmers needs repair as it has a fuel leak. JH to arrange for repair at Lakeland Power Tools. JH presented the findings of his research into Chippers. One could be purchased for £1,400, but it was decided to put this on hold to assess the amount of use it would get.

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8.0	FEDERATION REPORT
	Meeting is tomorrow so no report. EH to bring up the situation regarding the Recycling Centres where we were told that allotment rubbish is not allowed?
9.0	WEBSITE/EMAIL COMMUNICATION
	A new 'Pop-up' has been installed to allow people to register for email Newsletters. The site 'Hits' is being monitored and so far there have been 791. This to be monitored monthly. It was discussed that a section could be included to show 'Jobs for the Month'.
10.0	ANY OTHER BUSINESS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Onion fly has been observed, the only effective deterrent seems to be fine mesh netting• Concerns that blight may attack due to the humid weather and a warm period forecast.•
	Meeting Closed at 11.15 Next Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 16 July• 24 September• 26 November