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

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| **Min** | **Item** |
| **1.0** | Open Access |
|  | None |
| **2.0** | **Minutes of Committee Meeting 19 May 2019** |
|  | Minutes were taken as read and signed as a true record.  |
| **3.0** | Matters Arising |
|  | * None
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| **4.0** | Chairman’s Report |
|  | AH expressed the desire for rain, and that Blight had been found on site. |
| **5.0** | Treasurer’s Report |
|  | Current deficit of £4.3K but October Invoicing will be approximately £6.5K. Year to date spending highlights: £400 water, £1,400 new machinery, £112 machinery repair, £120 petrol. Anticipated that we will ‘break-even’ by year end. Current assets £19.6K. |
| **6.0** | Site/Plots Report  |
|  | Full site with two currently on waiting list. JH explained that the site log book showed an unprecedented level of thefts on site. Should we have proof of a perpetrator(s) we will take immediate and severe action. The Ruxley in Bloom judging is coming up soon, so everyone is asked to keep their areas tidy.  |
| **7.0** | Machinery |
|  | Two new mowers have been purchased to replace the worn-out ones. JH demonstrated the mowers; one that is designed for areas of grass that allows recycling of the cuttings (but also has a grass box if required) and the second that has a rear roller and is narrower specifically for cutting paths. He also demonstrated the new Honda cultivator and showed how to string the Stihl strimmers. |
| **8.0** | Projects |
|  | * Western Boundary Fence renewal still to be undertaken.
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| **9.0** | Federation Report |
|  | * Vandalism has been experienced at a number of sites in Sidcup
* Poster campaign by Council has been successful with a number of plots let, but still 80 vacant plots across the Borough
* The next Federation Meeting will include a lecture by the Head Gardener of the Red House – all welcome. JH to create some publicity for our plotholders.
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| **10.0** | Website |
|  | Site continues to generate a steady flow of plot enquiries. A blog by new plotholders Janice and John has stimulated interest and the ‘Hits’ on the site have doubled in the last month. |
| **11.0** | Any Other Business |
|  | * JH told the meeting that the latest Newsletter had been distributed along with the BHS Show Schedule, a Stores Newsletter and Potato Order forms.
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| **12.0** | Site Inspection |
|  | * Not carried out this meeting
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|  | Meeting Closed at 11.0Next Meetings* 22 September
* 17 November
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