



## **Minutes of Henley Allotments' Association Committee Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Present: David Chilvers, Doug Richards, Tony Robinson, Peter Anderson, Sharon Oldham, Barry Tindall

1. Apologies for Absence: Lewis Every
2. Minutes of the last meeting: passed as correct
3. Matters arising from previous minutes: attached sheet
4. Treasurer's report:
  - Strong balance of approximately £3500
5. Secretary's report: all covered in matters arising/social events
6. Watermans:
  - No vacancies
  - HTC is now actively using the site for burning their waste; actively working with them towards creating a collective composting area
  - David Gobbett - one of the longest standing plot holders - is leaving in the summer
7. Greencroft:
  - A number of plot holders have been interviewed by the Henley Standard for a feature next month
  - Manure has been placed in the wrong area; Mandy to email Greencroft plot holders to encourage use of manure before we move it manually
  - David Cook raised a query about raised beds, but withdrew it before the meeting as he'd found a solution
8. Website & Publicity: none
9. Social Events:
  - Plant Sale booked for 1st June
  - Invited to participate in the Henley Health & Well Being Day (2nd February) to advertise HA (at no cost) Too short notice this year, but perhaps a future one?
  - Henley House And Garden Show(2nd-3rd March). The focus this year is conservation, upcycling and recycling. HAA invited to be part of general Henley in Transition/Bloom/etc information stand

- Seed swap is on 9th March in Town Hall. Sharon working with HTC and HiT. David: ask Kings Seed if they might donate seeds; Mandy: mailing to advertise/ask for volunteers
- HAA approached by McCarthy and Stone to participate in their Friendship Friday, and Eat! Food Festival Henley - have asked for details

10. Watermans Action Plan:

- The deer fence at the top has been repaired three times since Christmas; the chainlink fence has been ripped back with bolt cutters and the deer fence cut through
- Noticeboards - suggest using the non-locked board for plot holder notices
- One plot identified as a trial plot for renovation, to allow Tony to work out what's required, how to organise, etc. A plan for the other plots can be worked out from this.

11. AOB:

- Hunts in Marlow have loose seed potatoes in stock; Sharon to put on Facebook group

12. Date of next meetings: Monday 1st April, Monday 13th May