

## AFTA

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at 10am on Saturday 25th  
November 2017

at Isobel's  
Lee Brook,  
Wood Lane,  
Sutton Weaver,  
WA7 3EN

Present:

Will Moran (sec)  
Isobel Ridley (treasurer)  
Robert Yardley  
Kathryn Pill (vice chair)  
Heather Gregory

1. Apologies: Ken Spencer (chair), Tatjana  
Yardley, Keith & Tracy Mason, Angela Heverin,  
John Davies (maintenance sec),  
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2. Minutes of Meeting of 9th September 2017 Agreed.

3. Matters Arising

- National Association membership paid.
- Website. Website now live and Alison Warburton from Plot D8 has added a Facebook page and a twitter account. We still need some help from folk more in tune with Social media. Kathryn offered to help as has Lauren from A13b.
  - New Plots. A young couple still have an option on row E 9a but not signed up yet. Jan and Will are giving up their second plot but Lauren and Mark Amphlett are going to take it up with his parents. Another 2 raised beds have been let so we will have to construct some more.
  - Maintenance. The main task will be building the additional raised beds which John has ordered. They've been delivered and are in the Tardis. We had a discussion about more water butts but agreed to look at it again at the next meeting. The ground is too wet to work in anyway at the moment.
  - Compost. Josh has delivered 3 loads of cow muck, one of which is used up already. More chippings have been delivered and there is also a compost Dalek and some carpet on offer up by the Tardis. People

seem to be using the compost heap more responsibly but carpet tiles and gloves don't rot!

- Security. No issues to report. The notice board has disintegrated and Dave had offered to source a new one but after a discussion we felt a laminated notice about the key safe added to the existing notice or by it would be sufficient.
- Compost Toilet. Kathryn, Bob, and Will were going to visit Haddocks Wood after the meeting to look at their Natsol dry composting toilet. It was a very useful visit and an impressive installation. It's a big site with a hundred plots. They were very helpful. Definitely the one to go for.

4. Finance. The main account has a balance of £2040.92. The rent account has a balance of £367.34 with all tenants fully paid up. Petty cash has £56.98. There is some money to transfer to the main account to help offset the cost of the new raised beds purchase.

We agreed not to renew membership of the Community Centre as we only use it for the AGM, so it isn't value for money.

We had a further discussion about switching our accounts to TSB and agreed to proceed with it. Sue Cundall would be taken off the list of signatories as she no longer had a plot. Will to ask Tracy about continuing to be a signatory or not and Kathryn and John have both agreed to become signatories. Will to action this.

#### 5. AoB.

- Will has applied to register the site as an Asset of Community Value. The Council have acknowledged receipt and say we should get a decision by early December. A councillor has advised Will that they've supported it.
- After discussion with Heather we have coopted her onto the committee until confirmation at the next AGM.

6. Date of Next Meeting Saturday 17th February 2018 at 10am at Isabel's.

#### Action Summary:

- Raised Beds - construct and fill new raised beds. John and volunteers.
- Change bank account - Will
- Progress composting toilet including Planning Permission, Arrange site visit by Natsol, and complete Windfarm community grant form - Will

Will Moran  
26/11/17