**T.A.G.A. Committee Meeting**

**3/5/22 6.30pm**

**T.A.G.A. Allotment Cabin**

**MINUTES:**

1. **Welcome (MS) –**
2. **Apologies (JM) – no apologies were received**

**Attendees: Marianne Stevenson, Jessica McFarlane Lisa Clough, Janet Potts, Allan Dyer, Paula Lord, Steve Barnes, Sara Jones, Phil Jones, Alan Lord**

1. **Minutes and matters arising from last meeting: 3.2.22**

**Marianne explained that in relation to previous actions; membership fees would not be increasing this year. The allotment waiting list is now displayed in the cabin. Signabge around the site has been renewed and updated. There is a new locum Clerk to the Parish Council called Peter Leppard and he will be with the council for a 3- month period. The school have been in discussion about future dates to collaborate but there are no dates set as yet.**

1. **Treasurer’s Report (AL) –**

**The bank balance is £556 at the moment. The bills for Middeltons , Goldthorpes’ and Loach’s have been paid. Plant sales are generating a lot of income. The side cash fund has been useful as plant bills have been dealt with without touching the bank balance.**

**The electricity bill has gone down, but due to the fuel increase we do not feel it to the same extent. Big thanks were made to Phil for adapting the water pipework at the cabin to ensure there is no water in the system that can freeze.**

**The lighting in the cabin and the sockets need attention.**

**ACTION: AL to determine exact lighting requirements for fixing**

**Arthur Stanway has put a water feed into the polytunnel which has really helped Steve Barnes. Thanks were given to Arthur for his efforts as it will be a huge help for the coming seasons.**

**We always require more revenue. Hen feed is particularly competitive, and Allan Dyer suggested we do research on what local prices are.**

**ACTION: ALL -Hen feed prices; research and report back**

**ACTION: MS to make the donation to the Ukrainian fund from the recent fundraiser; DRC.**

1. **Memberships Secretary’s Report (SJ)**

**There is no news at the moment. Alan Lord asked that the membership fees are passed to him and then he can tick names off the list and add money to the till. Sara will then liaise with Alan and issue membership cards.**

**ACTION: AD add membership reminder to website**

**ACTION: MS to add reminder to Facebook**

1. **Vacant raised beds (MS)**

**Tony is returning to deal with his raised beds, however the two free ones could be utilised in the grant proposal (see below).**

1. **TPC allotment list update (MS)**

**All plots are now taken on Arnfield and Conduit street site. There will be an update on this after the next Parish Council in May as the new Clerk will give an update on Committees /’Working Groups’ regarding the Allotment Committee.**

1. **Website Editor’s report (AD)**

**Allan advised he posts up information on the site according to what people need; editing as required. Allan asked that all visit the website and feedback with any amendments needed.**

**ACTION:AL & JM to add minutes to the website**

**ACTION: AD to find out where the ‘hits’ counter is /add one if there isn’t one so that we can track interest.**

1. **Sales, cabin opening and events (MS)**

**There are 40-50 hanging basket orders already in! These will not be going out until the end of May as there is still a chance of frost, but we are asking if those with hanging baskets can take them earlier and put them in their greenhouses. This scheme should create a big influx of money and big thanks to Paula and Steve for their continued efforts on this each year. Prices remain the same; £25 for large (refill £20) and then £15 for smaller (or £12 for a refill).**

**It was noted that another blackboard sign is required for at the bottom of the driveway as the previous was damaged recently.**

**Marianne and Paula are continuing to go to market to get the produce however this is Marianne’s last week of visiting for the time-being. Thanks to Paula who is going to be still attending to chose such great produce for our members and customers.**

**The Soup ‘n Social was a huge success. It was suggested that a BBQ could be held, but it was agreed that there are so many events around the Jubilee weekend in the village. There could be option to hold one in July around the 16-17th if there is sufficient interest to attend.**

1. **Business Plan 22/23 (MS)**

**See points below relating to toilet and reroofing considerations.**

1. **Grant application (MS)**

**Marianne presented issued ideas for the grant application. The medium grant application deadline for Derbyshire is July. Ideas were discussed including having a shared community space where people could share skills and experiment, or even attend for therapy for local community groups and members.**

**There was also discussion about replacing the toilet on site. More research will be done as to hiring a portaloo with a substantial waste facility, or even putting in a septic tank. We have no idea on what that kind of project would cost but research will be carried out to be discussed at the next meeting.**

**ACTION: ALL to look into toilet options.**

**ACTION: SB to price up the metal coverage required to make the outdoor roofing area watertight.**

1. **Repair Café (MS &SJ)**

**Marianne and Sara have been researching how these setups work, in terms of how they are run. Sara went on to say how they can be very popular and beneficial in terms of recycling and sustainability. There was discussion about who could offer their skills to help facilitate this and also as to the quality of any repair from a health and safety perspective. It was agreed that a full survey of what is involved would be needed, including consideration of the interest and use from users across the community.**

**ACTION: SJ and all to research, including insurance requirements**

1. **Planning for AGM 2022 and Election (MS)**

**Alan noted that the AGM should be held after Marianne’s operation**

**Alan is to speak to Andy and to ensure that the accounts are done by May so that we can set a date in June.**

1. **Village show update (MS)**

**The Show Committee will meet in the Village club next week. It was noted that more helpers are needed and everyone should seek to spread the word to increase recruitment. 10/5/22 AT 7PM is the meeting date.**

**ACTION: AD to message Tom Wynne and spread the word on the meeting date.**

1. **AOB**

**Marianne advised that potholes on the driveway are now an urgent matter and this is being raised at the next Parish Council meeting.**

**ACTION: Allan to raise this at the next meeting.**

1. **of next meeting:**

**TBC**