BUSHY PARK ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION			
Meeting: -	COMMITTEE MEETING		
Date & Time: -	6th October 2013 – 11:00 AM		
Location	The Shop, Bushy Park Allotments		
Minutes prepared by: -	Robin Hewitt		
Present: -	Phil Iddison (Chairman), Robin Hewitt (Secretary), Ray Brown, Chris Pickard, Vicky Phillips, Giuseppe de Vai, Shelagh Secola, John Whitby		
Apologies: -	Jenny Bevan (Treasurer), Christina Aston, Ted Leppard, Cleve West		
Circulation: -	Committee members, notice boards, Pete Lewis		

Item	Minute	Action by
1	Meeting of 28th July 2013 The minutes were agreed.	
2	Outstanding Actions Actions from the last meeting had been progressed as follows: - - The valve covers will be installed over winter; - The Council has reimbursed JW for the water repairs; - The summerhouse has been treated; and - Site security was again discussed. It is clear that neither the Council or ourselves knows who has keys. Security lights had been proposed by a plotholder but this was agreed to be impractical and ineffective. Other options are being explored as further fruit thefts have occurred. PI will mention the issue at the AGM.	JW/PI
3	Finance The Treasurer's report was circulated and there was a current balance of £1388.19. Future expenses include £150 for fire bricks for the pizza oven floor and £120 for the website. A payment of £100 is due to us from the Council for the recent filming.	
4	The September Open Day was a success and a vote of thanks was agreed for those who helped with the preparation and clearing up. It was suggested that it should be held in future later in the month as more produce would be available, but on the other hand this means it would be very close to the AGM. Preparations are in hand for the AGM and all committee members present agreed to stand again. PI will try to encourage some newcomers to join the committee and CP was willing to stand down if required. It was agreed to record all apologies for absence received. RH confirmed that he had put notices on the boards plus minutes of last year's meeting and the Treasurer's annual report. It was agreed that a Committee Award will be given at each AGM and that this year an award of £25 in Squires vouchers will be presented to the candidate agreed by the Committee at this meeting for all her assistance and contribution to the allotment community.	
5	The Shop GdeV reported that all was in order in the shop and the accounts have been passed to JB.	

6	 Liaison with the Council a) It was suggested the next showround for new starters could be on the 2nd November. PI to contact PL. b) PI had circulated the list of neglected plots agreed with PL and a number of individual cases were discussed. He also confirmed that sub-letting was not allowed if money changed hands. c) PI will check with PL and then note in the next newsletter that nothing should be leant against the boundary wall and a 3 feet gap allowed for 	PI PI
	wall maintenance.	
7	Communications a) VP reported that the plan was to have the website ready for next year's events.	VP
8	Community Area The first decision is whether to continue regular weed killer use between the paving slabs or to re-lay the slabs on a new base. JW to discuss with Martin who has experience of slab work.	JW
	CW had proposed that a 'No Ball Games' notice should be put up in the Community Area. This was agreed.	RH
	CW also proposed that the orchard be reviewed with a view to replacing a number of the trees. This was also agreed and will be discussed at the next meeting where CW is present. SS wondered if anyone was able to give a demonstration on fruit pruning and PI will consider this.	PI
9	Any Other BusinessPI is attending a meeting of borough site representatives tomorrow night and will feed back any useful information.	PI
10	Next meeting The AGM will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday 12 th October	
	The next Committee Meeting will be held at the shop at 11.00 a.m. on 24 th November.	