

# BUSHY PARK ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

Meeting: -	COMMITTEE MEETING	
Date & Time: -	29 <sup>th</sup> March 2015– 11:00 AM	
Location	The Shop, Bushy Park Allotments	
Minutes prepared by: -	Robin Hewitt	
Present: -	Phil Iddison( Chairman), Robin Hewitt (Secretary), Jenny Bevan (Treasurer), Christina Aston, Steph Bateman, Bryan Basdell, Ray Brown, Chris Pickard , Vicky Phillips, Giuseppe de Vai, Cleve West, John Whitby	
Apologies: -	Joe Ambaye, Shelagh Secola, Maria Casey-Watt	
Circulation: -	Committee members, notice boards, Pete Lewis	
Item	Minute	Action by
1	<b>Meeting of 25<sup>th</sup> January 2015</b> The minutes were agreed. It was agreed to formally co-opt Maria Casey-Watt on to the committee	
2	<b>Outstanding Actions</b> 1) It was agreed that PI approach the Council with a view to rearranging plots 258A/257A such that the overgrown area close to the fence could be let, free of charge for one year, to the plotholder of 259/259A to keep bees, and the remainder let as a viable plot. 2) JW has the track issue in hand. 3) PI will approach the Council re ownership and thus repair of the south fence.	PI  JW PI
3	<b>Finance</b> The Treasurer reported that there had been no transactions in the period and the current balance thus stood at £1404.16.	
4	<b>Events</b> The Volunteer Day was considered a success, although it was noted that rubbish is already being dumped in the woodchip area at the south car park. Vigilance is required. There was a vote of thanks for all those who helped and also to JW and Henry for installing a number of valve covers. It was agreed that volunteer days would be held every four months coinciding with committee meeting dates. The next will be held on May 31 <sup>st</sup> so that rubbish can be burnt before the deadline. The committee meeting will be held at 10.30, with the volunteer day starting at 11.30. It was proposed to put up banners advertising the day. Everything is in hand for the next Open Day on 9 <sup>th</sup> May. CW warned that he may not be available due to sport commitments.	
5	<b>The Shop</b> Nothing to report other than sales were good.	
6	<b>Liaison with the Council</b> 1) Four plots out of five were let at the recent viewing day. 2) Although draft Ts and Cs were sent to the Council on livestock welfare, the Council is giving this low priority. It was noted that Wandsworth already has a separate high quality 'chicken keeper' agreement for allotments so this may prove the best way forward if services are amalgamated with Richmond. 3) PI requested all area representatives to submit their inspection reports as he intends to carry out inspections with PL by the end of April.	All
	<b>Communications</b> PI is to issue a newsletter shortly.	PI
8	<b>Community Area</b> It was agreed that this should be tackled at the next volunteer day. CW was	

	thanked for his maintenance work on the orchard. CP confirmed that she would arrange the flower seeding of the spare planters. A tenant would be sought for these.	
9	<b>Any Other Business</b> 1) The trees by the wall are being felled. Wood chip and logs are disappearing as soon as they arrive in the bins. 2) Rats remain a nuisance but are all over the site and so it is difficult to advise the Council where rat poison should be placed. 3) There had been a number of instances at the vehicle gate where vehicles had been waiting to enter while others left and had been passed on the inside. PI to approach the Council about the possibility of a concealed entrance sign.	PI
10	<b>Next meeting</b> The next Committee Meeting will be held at the shop at <b>10.30</b> a.m. on 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2015.	All