

# **EYNHAM ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION**

DRAFT Minutes of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022 in the Function Room of the White Hart  
Public House at 19.00

Present: Peter Feakes (PF), Michael Green (MG), Dr Martin Groves (DMG), Helen Jordon (HJ), Bridget Pitcher (BP), Michael McCluskey (MM), Tim Jordon (TJ), Anthony Pendrey (AP), Paul Turner (PT), Charlotte Holmes (CH) & Rachel Yuen (RY).

1) **Apologies for Absence**

Peter Taylor, Christine Cox, Anne Holmes, Margaret Key, Chris Potts, Andy Swarbrick, Les Swarbrick, Jacky Pinnock, Heather Horner & Jackie Skipworth.

2) **Approval of minutes of the AGM 2021 (attached)**

DMG – Opened the meeting and thanked all for attending.

DMG – Confirm that all present had seen the minutes from the last AGM; either circulated via e-mail or were available on the presentation table.

The minutes from the last AGM were approved by all.

3) **Matters Arising**

None from the floor.

DMG – Constitutional arrangements, there have been preliminary conversations with the Parish Council representative to be continued

4) **Chair's Report (attached) to be approved**

DMG – The report reinforced the activities of the committee and thanked all involved for being supportive and active.

Chair's Report accepted by all.

5) **Treasurer's Report (attached) to be approved**

MG – A small loss was recorded this year; see Treasurer's Report.

Water charges currently £500.00 - £600.00 per annum, next year will be in excess of £600.00.

Maintenance this year was £1400.00 - £1500.00 and expected to rise due to the hiring of the skip and maintenance of the fence.

In order to maintain the current balance of approx. £3900 there had been a small rise in rent for the year 2022-23. Our rents are still low compared to other allotments.

Following the break and theft of equipment in April, MG had made a successful insurance claim which covered both personal and collective losses. DMG reported that the culprits had not been found.

6) **Election of Committee**

DMG – Praised the essential works of those committee members who were already in-situ but, were still looking for more members to support plans.

### Election of Officers

The Chairman – DMG, Vice-Chair – PT, Treasurer – MG, Secretary – PF and the committee resigned, and election of new officers ensued.

Chairman – DMG

Proposer – PF

Secunder – HJ

Carried – By all

Against – None

Abstainers – None

Vice-Chair – PT

Proposer – DMG

Secunder – PF

Carried – By all

Against – None

Abstainers – None

Treasurer – MG

Proposer – PF

Secunder – DMG

Carried – By all

Against – None

Abstainers – None

Secretary – PF

Proposer – DMG

Secunder – MG

Carried – By all

Against – None

Abstainers – None

#### 1) Election of Committee Members

Committee – Rest of the committee members – RY, MM, BP, DA, HJ, & CC

Proposer – PF

Secunder – DMG

Carried – By all

Against – None

Abstainers – None

PF – Do any of the assembled wish to become committee members?

From the floor – No response.

#### 7) **Other Business previously notified**

There was a brief discussion about chippings and the use, maintenance and management of the car parks. The matter was referred back to the committee to continue the development of a sustainable plan for the areas.

**8) Date of next Annual General Meeting**

DMG – Traditionally held on the third Thursday of October and moving on shall be maintained.

**9) Presentation**

Christine Cox presented in absentia annual reports from the Review Group and Best Kept Plot (BKP) Competition

DMG – Offered thanks to her and the Review Group for their work.

Thanks were also give to Lucy & Jonathan who conducted the judged of the best kept plot competition for the third year.

Prizes were awarded for Best Kept Plot Competition. Maximum points 50:

1<sup>st</sup> – Plot F1 17a & b (Points 50) Charlotte Holmes & Paul Turner.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Plot F1 38 (Points 46) Michael Green.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Plot F1 21b (Points 45) Isobel Jacobs & Carl Reynolds.

**10) A.O.B.**

DMG – Thanks to Tracey and Ian Green for the use of the room, not only for this evening but for meetings throughout the course of the year.

PF – Would like to see a lot more holders of allotments present at the next AGM.