The Somersham and District Smallholding and Allotment Association Limited

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Meeting title:General Allotment
Business

Location: Centurion Club, Somersham

Date: 14 May 2019

Time: 1930 - 2030

Present:	Vicky Moseley	Secretary/Treasurer	VM
	Andy Bell	Chairman	AB
	Clive Phillips		CP
	Bob Peggs		BP
	Sabine Prideaux		SP
	Debbie Coope		DC
	Greg Wyss		GW
	Jim Daddy		JD

Apologies:

1.	Apologies		
	• None	VM	
2.	Minutes from Previous Meeting • Minutes approved by the Committee.	All	
3.	 Matters Arising Locks - GW is waiting for quote from City Locks, and hopes to have this soon. Alan Draper has mentioned that the KS lock falls apart easily and is often not locked. It was agreed to go with whichever company was cheapest. BP spoke to Leesa Bolton about the toilets and the KS one is the one to keep as it is in best condition. CF toilet is ok but needs a new diaphragm kit. As it doesn't get used there is no solution in the pipes. LB says toilet is worth £100 even with repairs needed. 	ALL	
4.	 Allocation of Plots Only 5 plots free, utilisation is high. VM to e-mail the interested people to see if they still want plots. 	VM	
	 Dirty Plots KS2b is overgrown and looking messy – VM to contact plotholder AB reported more concrete has appeared by CF gate near Bagnalls plots. SH's plots need mowing. 	VM	

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5.	 CF14 not too bad at the minute, we will keep an eye on it. Maintenance Alan Underwood has complained about the verges. Discussion was had and committee feel that they don't want to make work for themselves. Not all the verges belong to us in any case. It was agreed that it is best for wildlife/insects if some areas are left. AU also asked for gate again at bottom of Chapel Field – it was agreed that this would not be happening. SP offered to plant up the tyres at the King Street gate with some herbs. Tyres belong to previous committee member so they are their responsibility to remove. BP sprayed KS24a, KS2c. KS10c has been strimmed – VM to look up who has this plot as another member would like to take it on. 			
	 KS38 has nettles etc, BP has sprayed them. BP said he would clear the wire and take to the tip. Footpath mowed on KS. AB has done maintenance strip twice, KS1 twice, and sprayed CF verge. GW sprayed KS fenceline. SP and CP rubbed down container to clear flaky paint, BP has a large tin of green paint we can use. 			
	 GW offered to put down membrane on container plot to stop weeds. GW mentioned buying a ride on mower for the association so that everyone can help with mowing 			
6.	 Site Security We have received reports of concerns about speeding drivers on the site, and suspected drink driving. VM to contact PCSO to talk through options. 			
7.	 A.O.B. Community Hub open day is 25th May 11-1pm Carnival is 15th June – VM not available on the day, BP has hanging baskets to raffle, agreed to use stall to promote association rather than try to make the most money. VM to print application forms and tariff sheets – theme will be Land Army. 			

Meeting Closed at: 8.30pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 11 June 2019 - 7.30pm