

**Minutes of the meeting of the Ickleton Allotment Association  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**Committee members present:**

Iain Livingstone  
Ros Dowrick  
Kathleen Woolverton

**Others present**

Tim Pavelin  
Stephen Woolverton  
Jon Dowrick  
Ray Szajewski  
James Nightingale  
Jakob Sutowski  
June Woodward

**Apologies**

Chris Demmer  
Lorraine Demmer  
John Taylor  
Christina Taylor  
Terry Nelson  
Trevor Barwood

Thank you to everyone who came to the very successful seed swap.

**1. Minutes of the meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> April**

These were agreed and accepted.

**2. Plot vacancies**

Whole plots -7,8,18,26,34 - Plot 32 has now been taken by Sarah and Ray Stephenson  
Half plots- 2a,2b,13a,13b

**3. Treasurer's report**

As Chris was on holiday, Iain confirmed £434.16 in the bank.  
After discussion and costings from Kathleen it was agreed to continue with the NSALG subscription for the time being.

**4. Mowing/Strimming**

Iain will ask Lucasz to mow lanes between plots. We had a very good response for volunteers to help with strimming on 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Please turn up and do about an hour each on a vacant plot near to yours.

**5. Advertising**

No further advertising required. The advert for the Chrishall magazine will be placed next spring. The news item and advert were printed in the Elmdon magazine. John arranged via Peta to have the notice inserted in the 'locked' section of the noticeboard outside the village shop.

## **6. Rats**

No issues with rats at present.

## **7. Water**

There is a very slight leak which Stephen will attend to. When we have available capital expenditure we will extend the water pipes through the centre to the bottom plots. Stephen will work out a price for this and we may ask for a community fund grant. Ray will erect the water catcher at the bottom, using the water butts nearer to the car park as well, if necessary.

## **8. Social Evening/Seed Swap**

As this was so successful we will have again at the beginning of the next meeting. This time, donations for any plants/seeds taken.

## **9. Fencing**

A large proportion of the fencing which runs adjacent to the road was blown down by the wind and posts broken. Ray will look into the possibility of obtaining scaffold posts. The vine will need to be trimmed/removed first.

## **AOB**

**10. Annual Parish Council Meeting** - Iain will write a report to be presented by a resident of Ickleton. June volunteered to do this.

**11. Shed** – A member to be contacted re shed which keeps blowing over onto adjacent plot.

**12. Corrugated plastic sheeting** – James has some sheets available if anyone would like some. Please contact him via Ros.

**13. Chippings** – Tim's son will drop off some chippings next month.

**14. Rabbits** - Are reappearing after the recent virus.

**15. Mesh** – A rolled portion of mesh was recently removed from a plot. Please be aware.

**16. Key** – Key returned from recent vacant plotholder – available for next new tenant.

**Date of next meeting** - Monday 12th June at **730pm** in the Ickleton Lion for another seed swap.