

BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT ALLOTMENTS CONFEDERATION

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON 9th MAY 2022 AT BORDESLEY GREEN ALLOTMENTS

1] MEETING OPENED by C.Birchat 19.00, welcomed A.Hodson {Shaftesbury Road} as observer.

2] APOLOGIES – J.Brown.

3] MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – with addendum of secretary's report, agreed and signed as a true record.

4] MATTERS ARISING – none

5] CORRESPONDENCE – **Insurance Certificates** –sent out. **Newsletter** – March issue sent out. **Plot enquiries** – continued to come in. **Banking Code** – changes for direct payments notified by allotment officer. **Chickens** – bird flu notice now withdrawn. **Bees** – suggested that a funding link be established between sites, will be in next newsletter.

6] TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance @ 1 st April 2022	£15448.50
Income	£ 0.00
Expenditure	£ 7706.43
Balance @ 1 st March	£ 7742.07
Deposit Account	£10689.88

Statement of Accounts presented, explanation given on a few figures. Executive accepted the accounts.

Show Account – as previous statement in November, now audited.

7] SHOW REPORT– **schedule** - on website and available as hard copy. **Judges** needed and appeal to be sent out to sites.

8] LOCAL SITE ISSUES – [REDACTED] – site condition report received. [REDACTED] – requested amendment to rules of number of fruit trees/bushes on plots

because of a problem on two plots. [REDACTED] – planned show needed judges. [REDACTED] – wanted sponsorship to provide free rent as prize – not supported by executive. [REDACTED] – unresolved leak problem with a disputed water bill. Dads Lane – secretary standing down. [REDACTED] – trees in dangerous condition – reported to City. **Meadow Road** – water leak issue, committee refusing chickens on site, contravenes BCC rules, issue will be followed up. [REDACTED] – dangerous tree reported. [REDACTED] – Notice of re-entry contested. [REDACTED] – wanted advisor details. [REDACTED] – complaint about cockerels supported and letter to be sent by Allotment officer. [REDACTED] – awaiting response from MP. [REDACTED] – tenant unable to contact committee, correct email address sent. Report of commercial growing – tenants evicted. [REDACTED] – dangerous wall caused by work on waste disposal site. **Shaftesbury Road** – received £10000 grant. [REDACTED] – all plots locked. Keys to be obtained. Japanese knotweed on plot, no longer a notifiable problem. Deceased plot holder – widow wishes to take on plot.

9] MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT – regular meetings held plus zoom meetings with Liz Bunting. Working Party will advise executive of any proposals and then to management agreement. Working party to be thanked for the work done so far.

10] NSALG/AREA 5 – **Meeting on 14th May at Meadow Road**

11] DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS – AGM 21st May, 6th June, 4th July, 1st August.

12] NOTIFIED BUSINESS – **Florence Pickering Fund** – D.Taylor and L.Tubbs had visited most of sites, 5 more to be visited. Work required on some sites not evident. D.Taylor and L.Tubbs thanked for work.

AGM – President – Alderman Mrs Brenda Clarke nominated. **Life Vice President** – C.Birch proposed D.Taylor for his efforts in restoring 3 sites. Executive agreed. **Coopted members** were to be forwarded to AGM for confirmation. **Election of executive** – suggested all could be elected – Chairman advised that the 3 year rotation gave continuity

13] UNNOTIFIED BUSINESS – **expenses** - to be discussed at June meeting

MEETING CLOSED – at 20.25.

