

## BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT ALLOTMENTS CONFEDERATION

### MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD ON 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL 2023 AT BORDESLEY GREEN ALLOTMENTS

1] MEETING OPENED by Chairman at 19.00. Chairman introduced Hester Blewitt and David Reid from Ward End. Pavilion at Blackpit Lane was to be named after Mick Merrill. It was agreed to donate £300 towards this worthy cause.

2] APOLOGIES – J.Brown, S.Griffin

3] MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING –amendment made to read “BDAC constitution will go onto website.” Minutes then signed as a true record.

4] MATTERS ARISING – **Sutton Coldfield sites** had been advised they could take part in show and competitions. **Florence Pickering Fund** - no response had been received from A. Dowling, City Officer coordinating work.

5] CORRESPONDENCE – **Requests for plots** – these were continuing to come in. **Heritage Project** was updated. **Newsletter** had been sent out. **Payments from City** – recent method activated – BDAC need to send an invoice for any payment to be made. **BOSF** - have asked for meeting with BDAC, Secretary to attend.

#### 6] TREASURER’S REPORT

Balance @ 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2022	£ 20,603.28
Income	£ 130.00
Expenditure	£ 40.00
Balance @ 1 <sup>st</sup> June	£ 20,693.28
Deposit Account	£10,714.33

End of year accounts are being delivered to auditors

7] SHOW REPORT– **Show schedule** has been updated. **Gazebos** – agreed to purchase these at a cost of £900. Container – consideration will be made – buy or relocate from Moor Green.

8] LOCAL SITE ISSUES – **Sutton Coldfield sites** – these were being transferred site by site, Walmley as was the most recent , 9 sites left to be transferred.

**Uplands** – AGM postponed as there were problems with Cooperative status and finances. Advice had been given from NSALG. C.Birch had asked for this, understood Uplands were not members of NSALG. NSALG had a “template” to guide allotment committees considering becoming a cooperative.

9] MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT UPDATE –**advice to associations** on management committee status. This would not be easy some sites had minimal committees. **Working Party** – some issues were still being dealt with eg indemnity. L.Bunting was to answer questions raised. **Local constitutions** – it was necessary to include a definite reference to the appointment of trustees. **Any advice given would be based on legal advice from NSALG**

10] NSALG/AREA 5 – **no report**.

11] DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS – 15<sup>th</sup> May, AGM on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> June, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 7<sup>th</sup> August, 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 6<sup>th</sup> November, 4<sup>th</sup> December, Half Yearly 18<sup>th</sup> November.

12] NOTIFIED BUSINESS – **Chairman’s and Secretary’s posts** – only one response for Chairman, none for Secretary. B.Smith and C.Birch would support successors. Executive Committee needed strategy for managing change.

13] UNNOTIFIED BUSINESS – none

MEETING CLOSED – at 20.15.