

Minutes of Fairfield's Garden Allotments Committee

Wednesday 11 August 2010

Attendees: Felicity Chapple (Plot 13), Helen Armstrong (Plot 23), Tony Lavers (Plot 10)

Apologies: Vivienne Ravenhill (Plot 18), Bob Pullen (Plot 9) Louise Marshall (Plot 1),

Thanks: Thank you to Bob for painting the notice boards, and to Tony for connecting up the water butts.

Water Butts: We have purchased 17 connector kits from M&P Hardware. Tony has used some of them for connecting the barrels we have in place. AONB agreed that we could use the 'water butt' money to fund this purchase. They said that they were pleased that we were re-cycling the blue barrels. Need to purchase a further 2 sets of downpipes for use at the front of the building. Tony Drewer-Trump will collect the wheelie bins from Veolia for us to use.

Allotments: Inspection of plots carried out and letters to be sent to those plots which are being neglected. Need to agree size of raised beds to be built. If weather permits we will burn the rubbish on Fri 27th August at 6.30 and then measure up so that we can ask Derek for the membrane to line them.

HADCAF event: Great success after last minute changes to the venue to fit in with HADCAF Singer-Songwriter event. £112 profit made for use on the allotments. HADCAF have asked us to organize a similar event next year. We served approx 80 meals and used: 1 x 12lb Turkey, 60 sausages, 6 large Rib Racks plus vegetarian options. This should be sufficient for 100 people. Committee agreed to purchase plastic plates, bowls and cutlery (Tesco) for future use.

Fairfields Rental Agreement: Agreed by HTC Allotments sub-committee. To go to HTC in September for full council approval. In meantime agreed by HAHA that these could be sent out. Felicity has contacted council to confirm if these should be sent by ourselves or the council. No reply yet.

HAHA update: Felicity had attended the HAHA committee meeting and fed back information. They requested that we provide copies of our minutes for posting on the HAHA website. Also requested list of e-mail addresses for communications. Felicity has requested that HAHA send all communications to Vivienne and she will distribute. Kerry has produced some Allotment Fact Sheets which have been reviewed and will be distributed to all allotment holders shortly.

Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 23 September - 7.30. Venue tba but possibly Borough Arms (back room). Date changed due to work commitments.