

HAHA Committee Meeting

Tuesday 06th August 2013 at the Croft Club

Notes of Meeting

Attendees:

Ted Angell	Tony Drewer-Trump– Chair
John Stanley	Forbes Stephenson - Minutes
Tony Lavers	Belinda Robinson

Item No	Description	Action On	By
	<u>Apologies:</u> Paul Whitbread Derek Loft		
1	Approve Notes of Last Meeting These were approved		
2	Feedback from July R&A Meeting HTC had agreed to pay the legal costs of Donnington Homes and Frank Clothier for the two year extension of ML lease. These were estimated to total circa £500. It was hoped that HAHA would 'make a contribution'. We agreed to consider this. No similar request was made with regard to HTC legal costs. HAHA thanked HTC for their efforts in succeeding in obtaining a 2 year extension on the ML lease until 2016. HAHA suggested that an allotment subcommittee be formed to focus on activity to identify and achieve a permanent location. Fairfields – the Town Clerk had asked Sovereign about the future of the FF site now that residents were being relocated. There was no clear answer at the time. Action (TDT and TA) to follow up on the subcommittee and Fairfields issue with HTC).	ALL	
3	Contribution to landowner's legal expenses for ML lease extension There was majority in favour of HAHA making a contribution to the costs of the landowner's and Donnington Home's legal expenses. After some debate there was a majority agreement that this contribution should be £100 and, in addition, HAHA would not seek reimbursement from HTC for the costs (£72) of HTC's auditor for the inspection of HAHA's 2012/13 books. In previous years HTC have refunded this cost. The committee recognised that this contribution would reduce HAHA's reserves. Action – TA to raise a cheque for agreed amount.	TA	

- 4 HAHA Social at Marsh Lane – Advertising and arrangements** BR
Open Day for 22nd September – 1.00pm. BBQ at the Community area with display of produce. Posters, flyers and emails will be generated to promote the event
- 5 HAHA Stall at Hungerford Food Festival 29th September.** ALL/BR
Slide show to be shown that was used at the AGM with good photos to promote the Allotments and benefits of fresh produce.
- 6 Autumn Workday.** ALL/BR
26th October for a general tidy up before the winter.
- 7 Financial update**
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| Marsh Lane | £1544.61 including £796.97 reserve |
| Fairfield | £656.47 including £454.27 reserve |
| HAHA | £481.09 including £227.34 reserve |
- Known future expenses – HAHA RHS affiliation and insurance due Jan 2014 circa £175. Marsh Lane extension of toilet rent minimum £125.
- (No action points)
- 8 Plots Update**
- Fairfields – Cultivation letters to be sent to plots 2 & 3. Plot 14 is vacant. Tony D-T to resolve with an official letter of resignation.
- 9 Water position at Fairfields** TL
Work is required on the water butts to make them more efficient.
- 10 Marsh Lane Toilet** TA/JS
The current rental ended on 25 August 2013. It was agreed that an extension be arranged for a further 5 weeks to 29 September 2013 at a cost of £126.00. A further extension would be considered during September. (Action TA)
- 11 AOB**
- Fairfields – Good idea to have at least three people to oversee the site.
- There are some paving slabs from a vacant plot on ML that could be used elsewhere – they will be kept on communal area for HAHA use.
- No news on the bridgework dates.
- Curved bench by the water tanks to be cut up and disposed of.
- Royal British Legion Produce Show on Saturday 10th August 2013

Next Meeting 8.00pm 17th September 2013