

MARLOW ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

Meeting on Wednesday 6 June 2018

1. **Apologies for absence.** SP was unable to attend and has stood down as Chair (see below at AOB).
2. **Minutes and matters arising from last meeting** held on Wednesday 28 March were reviewed and agreed.
3. **The Treasurer reported** that the Association had paid £444 in annual fees to the NSALG. Membership was still slowly coming in.
4. **Waiting lists and vacant plots.** PE reported in relation to Foxes Piece 3 vacant plots and 3 on the waiting list. In relation to Hanging Hill there were 11 vacancies and 3 on the waiting list.
5. **Neglected plots.** PE said that the more structured approach with action tracked in a spread sheet was helping the Council to tackle neglected plots especially where there were repeated or persistent problems each year.
Action: PE to invite the Council officer who issues the letters and deals with telephone inquiries to accompany Barry Cross on his next review.
6. **Data Protection Legislation.** PE reported that the MAA approach to protecting member's privacy was completed. The committee was committed to ensuring that records were maintained and deleted as necessary. **Action:** PE to liaise with SP to put privacy statement on the website.
7. **Review of events and insurance.** PC said that he had been unable to secure sponsorship for insurance. MT explained that insurance would therefore be £139 as alternatives (eg SWCAA) would not allow bonfires.
Action: PE to re-circulate the details of the NSALG member benefits which included individual insurance.
SM said that barbecues were planned for June, July, Sep and Nov. The Triangle was expected to have its annual barbecue in August. Further work was needed to arrange dates for talks (eg by PC on kiwi fruit and Box tree caterpillar; Richard Bailey on Dahlias flowers). **Action:** SM.
8. **Website update.** PE will enquire whether SP would continue to maintain and update the website until the MAA can make longer term arrangements.
Action: PE.
9. **Ex Play Area Foxes Piece.** No news has been received on this matter.
10. **Marlow Allotment sites history.** Information continues to be gathered.

AOB

a) **Acting Chair of MAA committee.** FT would be Acting Chair of the committee until the AGM at the end of the year. Proposed SM. Seconded PC.

Future meeting: 15 August – Foxes Piece.