BARTON-UPON-HUMBER



ALLOTMENT SOCIETY

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MINUTES

of the Committee meeting held at **7.00pm**

on Tuesday 1 April 2025 at the Corn Exchange, Market Place.

Present: Colin Andrew, (in the chair), Anthony Blanchard, Mike Corlyon Wanda Hibbert, Neil Jacques, Andy Roberts, Claire Roberts, Kevin Sharp.

In attendance: Wes Reed, Vice President.

1. Apologies: EC
2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – approved as a correct record. Prop: CR Sec: JW
3. Matters arising from the Minutes - none
4. Correspondence
   1. MC reported a letter from the Masons offering a donation of £200, which he had replied to thanking them for their generosity.
5. Treasurer’s Report
   1. Monthly Statement – MC reported income of £465. £200 each from the Masons and HoldFast Education, the rest from plot fees and bonds.

The expenditure of £419 was mainly the web site hosting £230, and materials for the display boards for the Town Meeting and Show. We also paid bank charges for the first time.

The balances are: total funds £6573.11 less £2750.38 reserves leaving £3772.73 available. Full copy of the accounts is at the end of these minutes.

1. Site Managers’ Report
   1. Monthly Inspection Report:

* Notice to Quit 24a. Path not repaired by the deadline agreed at meeting with plot holder last autumn, no cultivation taken place. Needs to be completely dug over. If resolved in 28 days from getting the email, then they can stay.
* 1a Amber – some work done and plot holder to be thanked, but still more to do.
* 9 &10 just let but need monitoring.
* 19 Amber -with requirement to use poly tunnel area for cultivation not storage and clear / tidy abundance of non-horticultural items.
* 32 Amber - Now fully cultivated but the shed needs to be completed an surplus materials moved.

43a Amber - rating with request to cultivate / plant plot and remove / tidy items at rear of plot.

* Plots 40,49,50b,56 moved from Amber to Green for cultivation. Outstanding issues to be picked up at the 6 monthly committee inspection.
* 48 requested permission to move shed to front of plot as in shade from kazuba. Will monitor situation before deciding.
* 50a – new shed erected including glass. Plot holder to be advised to remove or cover glass with Perspex.
* 51a had been re-let and work is starting.
* 53 – concerns that building work will be larger than allowed in rules. WH assured the committee that it would be compliant.
* 61 has trimmed hedge back from road.
  1. Abusive behaviour towards committee members – this was discussed at length and it was agreed to send out a general reminder about the rules especially 9.4.
  2. Proposed standard letter for inspection results – draft email was agreed and will be used for future plot inspection results. WH to copy AR into emails
  3. Waiting List/ vacant plots – 4 on the list for half plots and 3 for full plots. Some are the same people.

1. Land Registry - Progress report -EC nothing to report.
2. Horticultural Show -9 August 2025
   1. Sponsorship is coming in – another £200 from Holdfast Education. The Art Competition is developing well. Need to double check the number of tables and NJ to see if we can borrow/hire some from the Town Council.
3. Events
   1. Garden Day – Ropewalk 18 May 2025 -NJ has sent in booking from. MC will pay the £15 fee. CA available to set up and take down. Rota to be finalised at next meeting. So far:

* 8.00 – 10.00 CA & ? & MC
* 10.00-12.00 WH & Anne
* 12.00 – 2.00
* 2.00 – 4.00 & take down . ? & ?. MC to collect takings.
  1. Mid summer party 21 June – NJ to book gazebos with the Town Council. NJ will not be at the event so others will be needed to pick them up from the Butchery behind the Corn Exchange Club
  2. Heritage Days in September to discuss next meeting.
  3. Christmas Meal – update 8th -11th or 15th to 18th Dec @£22.50. Agreed 18 Dec if still available.

1. Web site – Not available.
2. Any Other Business
   1. Gates are being left open by last vehicle. Reminder email to go to all plot holders
   2. Fires being set when others are close by. Reminder email to all plot holders.
   3. Allegations of throwing rubbish into the field. Reminder email to all plot holders.
3. Date of Next Meeting: Tues 6 May 2025 7.00 pm, Corn Exchange

