



Scruton Allotments Association

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 6th October 2021

Present: Ian Powell, Richard Zealley, John Vickers

- **Plots:** a discussion re the size of current plots. Most members now have half of an original plot size. It was decided that these “Half Plots” should hence forth be referred and known as a full plot thus John Vickers has two and a half plots with Ian Powell having two and Richard one. The cost of these will have to be discussed at a further meeting prior to the start of the next season.
- **Annual Tidy up:** Provisionally set for the 13 November, subject to dry weather. Members to be encouraged to put some time into the communal areas prior to this date if at all possible to speed things along.
- **Letter to all members:** John V to draft a letter for approval to be sent to all members to help allay fears re the future. It to be essentially “Business as usual” .
- **Letter to prospective new members :** Richard to draft a letter to be sent to all prospective new members pointing them in the first instance to the web site and in particular the contract to be signed by all members re rules and regulations. This letter as far as possible to be a standard for the future where only the date and name and address need be changed. New members to be allocated on a “first come” basis subject to priority being given to applications from residents of Scruton.
- **Plot Content :** As part of the legacy to Chris it was agreed that the Association would, as far as possible, provide each new “Plot” with a Shed coupled up to a Water Butt so that each plot becomes self-sufficient. Both to be maintained in good condition throughout tenure of the plot by the allotted member. This to be taken forward by the current committee. Contract to be amended before the next season.
- **Chris’s contacts:** JV to try and ascertain from Jane Snell whether Chris had a list of contacts he used for talks, advice, etc, or whether these were purely held in his head. If the latter then a new list to be compiled from memory of current members and hence forth stored within the website.
- **Web Site:** All see the web as vitally important. Richard to further enhance by creating separate secure area where original documents, site lease, bank details and member details etc can be stored along with templates, plot diagram machinery use etc .
- **Way Forward:** all agreed that the Association should revert back to that originally conceived, i.e. by a committee. Nothing further to be done until all Allotment documents are retrieved from Jane at an appropriate time. JV to take forward and report back
- **Memorial to Chris:** all agreed that some sort of memorial to Chris needs to be put in place. Exact size, shape, etc to be subject of further discussion once thoughts of interested parties have been gathered in and the outcome of the proposed Solar Farm planning application is known.



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- **Next Meeting:** date of next meeting to be 18th November in the Coore Arms.