



Scruton Allotments Association

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Minutes of Meeting held at East Grange House, Scruton

ATTENDANCE: ANDREW CARTER, ELIZABETH DAVIES, JOE LOFTHOUSE, JOHN VICKERS, RICHARD ZEALLEY,

APOLOGIES: IAN POWELL

Welcome	Comments	Action Points
1. Agreement of last minutes	Minutes agreed.	
2. Finance	Accounts completed for previous year to 30 th April 2025. Finances in good shape with approx. £3k across savings, current and cash.	RZ to upload to website
3. June 27th Fest	<p>Sessions 1pm to 5pm, 6pm to 10pm</p> <p>We should have enough people to staff the stand. JV has breakdown.</p> <p>Prepare: BBQ, hostess, 4 warmers (3 from Joe)</p> <p>Food: 100+ burgers, 50 sausages, 50 baked potatoes, 50 pulled pork, 50 samosa (vegan & meat)</p> <p>BP fillings: baked beans, coleslaw, cheese</p> <p>Sauces, napkins, foil</p> <p>No salad this time</p>	<p>JV: BBQ</p> <p>RZ: hostess & 1 warmer, air fryer</p> <p>JL: 3 warmers</p> <p>JV: sausages, samosas (Sainsburys), sauces</p> <p>AC: baked beans, coleslaw, cheese, napkins, foil</p> <p>RZ: email members re timing</p> <p>RZ: instruct JC with SumUp in advance</p> <p>RZ: Pass SumUp and cash float to JV on Friday</p>
4. RAF Leeming	Thursday 24 th July. As before: ED and RZ with tables and gazebo, plants, produce, preserves	<p>ED: plants, table</p> <p>EZ: preserves, table, gazebo</p> <p>RZ: email call out for plants, produce & preserves</p> <p>RZ: reserve V70</p>



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<p>4. Future Income</p>	<p>Discussed:</p> <p>Open gardens, biennial with KF, with open allotments with BBQ, crafts.</p> <p>Use of BBQ for events (villager parties, Romanby WI.</p> <p>Nursery: stall on green, pumpkins</p>	<p>Separate committee: ED, AC, invite Emily.</p>
<p>5. Compost</p>	<p>Still need to enforce no taking from bins. Need better comms and signage.</p> <p>Existing manure pile : move over a few work parties unless can source digger from KC.</p> <p>Want more woodchip. That we can allow to be taken in small quantities (2 barrows)</p> <p>All after the Fest</p> <p>Arrange meeting at the plots for new & existing member and include equipment training. T.b.a</p>	<p>AC: more woodchip pls</p> <p>RZ: email members re status, link to revised bin page on website</p>
<p>6. Last Month's Agenda Items</p>	<p>Work parties could be used to help out struggling members</p> <p>Look at starter plots when we have a free plot.</p> <p>Proctor plot: going well, MMcG doing a great job</p> <p>Succession planning.</p>	<p>JV: check in with Rob re plots 21, 22</p> <p>JV: pumpkins</p> <p>JL: root stock for replating fruit trees</p> <p>AC start taking role of chair over time.</p>
<p>9. AOB</p>	<p>Machinery: Keep old Honda for parts, new Honda for communal grass, also get new engine for the Tesco spare. Approved new tines for small rotavator.</p> <p>Re: change of organisation. No immediate need but more events could extend liability in which case we should look at CIC. RZ done some investigation, proposed new constitution in preparation, for approval at next AGM.</p>	<p>JV: fix Tesca mower, buy and fix tines.</p> <p>RZ: new draft constitution by end of year.</p>



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10. Date of next meeting		4 th September TBC
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