**EWAA Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday 10 November 2016, 7.30pm**

Chair: Clare Ferguson

Present: Jon Willis, John Butler, Antoine Flett, Stewart Young, Pat Mansfield, Nicola Jones, Charlotte Attlee,

1. **Apologies**

Jane NS, Chris Parker, Dan Thorpe. Jevon Lancaster

1. **Minutes of last meeting** (15-09-16): approved.
2. **Membership matters and early October plot inspection**

* At least 4 plots have not been cultivated for some time. Discussion about whether these plot holders will continue or not as members.
* About 8 people who are on the waiting list are keen to take on plots.
* 9th and 16th October are rent days so new plot inspection suggested for Sunday 25th of September.

1. **Treasurer’s report**

* Shop sales year on year up by about £200.
* Rent – all but 6 members have paid
* A new grant £1200 has been granted for renewal of water taps/ butts. . Jon suggests that we use some of this for water harvesting (He will look into what might be involved before committing whole of the grant )..
* Vote of thanks to Jon for applying for the grant.

1. **Shop update**

* Sarah Pollard has had handover with Nicola
* Nicola would welcome any advice/ comments about running the shop.

1. **Machinery update**

* Half can petrol is ready for workparty.

1. **Membership report and officer recruitment**

* Jevon to be new Membership Secretary: George will show around.
* 6 people are still on waiting list.
* 4th Oct there is ODFAA meeting if anyone available to attend.

1. **Workparty:**

* Suggestion to postpone the Saturday workparty as weather forecast is very poor. Agree to go ahead with Sunday workparty.
* Stewart will go on Saturday 10.00.
* Concentrate on car parks – clearing rubbish
* Cutting back vegetation.

1. **Wildlife group:**

When Chris is back from his travels, he will get in touch with Wildlife group.

1. **White House update:**

* No update possible as no one available to comment at the council.
* Charlotte explains how a shared site works at Elder Stubbs. There is a site manager 4 days a week so but there are problems with shared space.

1. **AOB**

When should we order potatoes? And what types?

**Date of next meeting: 12January, 2017**