

# Alsager Gardens Association

## Minutes of Committee Meeting Held On 28 August 2018

### PRESENT

**Members:** Adrian Ford (Chairman)

Pauline Hubbard (Vice Chair and Minutes) David Pitt (Treasurer) John Nixon (Rep Talke Rd) Mike Smith (Rep Coronation Rd) Mike Hubbard (Rep Cedar Ave) Judith Ford, David Spall (Trading Secretary)

<p><b>1. APOLOGIES</b> Derek Hough (President) Hilary Robinson (Membership Secretary), Jane Smith (Town Council Rep)</p> <p><b>2. MINUTES of meeting held on 31 July 2018</b> approved.</p> <p><b>3. MATTERS ARISING from meeting held on 31 July 2018</b></p> <p><b>3.1 Replacement Trading Hut Door</b> PH reported that a new door complying to insurance requirements, had been ordered and delivery and installation was expected within the next 2 weeks.</p> <p><b>3.2 A point of process</b> was agreed that should there be a variation to a committee decision which needed action prior to the next available committee meeting, that any such decision should be made by a minimum of 3 officers.</p> <p><b>3.3 Grant Application to ATC</b> PH confirmed that the grant application is ready to be submitted prior to 1<sup>st</sup> September deadline.</p> <p><b>4. TREASURER'S REPORT</b></p> <p><b>Cash &amp; Current a/c</b> £6141 <b>Reserve</b> £4357 <b>Total</b> £10478 <b>Liabilities</b> KG Loach £36 to pay. Garage Door £450 purchase +Installation of £140 <b>Rents received</b> £3985 (136.5 half plots plus 4 x ARB) compared to £3854 (137.5 half plots). No ARB <b>Subs. received</b> is £661 (189 members) compared to £654 (187 members) <b>Trading to</b> £3266 compared to £3400 last year a decrease of 4%</p> <p><b>Capital Expenditure Budget</b> DP distributed a document summarising the Capital Expenditure Budget (copy attached) confirming that remaining funds to commit to the Accessibility Project stand at £1213.</p> <p><b>5. TRADING SECRETARY'S REPORT</b> DS reported that the weed killer (Chloroforse) had been purchased and is available to use with the sprayer. Due to high cost, Vermiculite will not be stocked in the trading hut and will be deleted from the list of available products.</p>	<p><b>All to note</b></p> <p><b>PH</b></p> <p><b>DS</b></p>
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## 6. SECRETARY'S REPORT

### 6.1 Accessibility Project- Cedar Avenue

PH reported that the work to construct the raised beds at Cedar Avenue will commence first week in September and that the new flags had been requested at an estimated cost of £600.

An estimate from Garden Solutions of £1100 has been received to complete the remaining work at Cedar Avenue, using the existing reclaimed flags to join up the central path, increase the path by a further slab at the toilet block, provide the required retaining wall and pave the adjoining the allotment.

DP confirmed as above, that enough monies are held by the project to finance this work. The Committee agreed to go ahead with the paving at an estimated cost of £1100.

PH

### 6.2 Future Dates

PH requested that the committee agree the dates for the AGM and the Allotment Open Days.

Subject to ratification at the next meeting the following dates were recommended

- AGM – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019
- Allotment Open Days 11/12 May 2019

All to note

## 7. ALLOTMENT OFFICERS' REPORTS

- Coronation Avenue- 1 x quarter plot available.
- There are trees from the Cranberry Moss side overshadowing 3 plots, PH to contact Eddie Attu.
- Talke Road – JN is in discussion with some plot holders regarding the condition of the plots. ½ plot will come available in September ¼ plot is currently vacant
- Lawton Road – Several plots available. Issue of fly tipping being pursued with Eddie Attu. A skip has appeared on site without permission. AF taking appropriate action.
- Cedar Ave – Site full.

PH

AF

### 10. Annual Show to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018

Muriel Dale will be attending to undertake the photography.

AF to chase up sponsors

Mayor or Representative will be attending

Pam Spall will be running the membership desk.

2 Buckets will be required Saturday morning.

All to note

Alsager Civic have asked for confirmation of the date for the 2019 Annual Show. The Committee confirmed that the next annual show would be Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2019. PH to inform Alsager Civic.

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### 10. Any Other Business – None

### 11. Date of Next Meeting 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

### 12. The meeting closed at 9.00pm