

# TIDBURY GREEN PARISH ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held on

Wednesday 18 January 2018 at 8pm, Cheswick Green Village Hall

**Committee Present:** D Millichamp (Chairman) R Hawkes (Hon Secretary) Leighton Wardell (Hon Treasurer), Deryck Reade, Joy Dennison.

### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Nigel Davies, Roy Lippett, Debbie Wilson, Bill Strange

### 2. MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2016

The Minutes of the last AGM held on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017 had been circulated and were accepted.

Proposer: Ann Millichamp, Seconded: M. Dennison

### 3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Another good year with virtually all plots being worked to a very high standard and attracting favourable comment from visitors to the site.

There were a couple of exceptions and they have now left us and we currently have a waiting list of six with just two plots vacant.

The thefts of fruit etc reported last year seemed to have stopped but I would draw your attention to the habit of leaving the combination lock number displayed when you come on the plot. There are many opportunist thieves in the area and they do not need an invitation to steal. It would be to everyone's benefit if you just took the trouble to turn the number barrels on entering.

The Flower and Veg Show was successful as always but we didn't raise as much as the previous year. This is our main source of income during the year and entries were down on previous years. I would encourage all plot holders to enter into the spirit of the show, it's just for fun and you never know you may well win a prize.

Unfortunately, the BBQ was cancelled due to inclement weather but we hope to run this event later this year.

Many thanks are due once again to Joy and Mick who as well as maintaining the orchard to a very high standard, organise several functions. The Blenheim Palace trip sadly was cancelled due to lack of support and a very few of us supported the Christmas lunch. Again, I would encourage plot holders to support these events in the future.

My job as Chairman is relatively easy but I would like to draw your attention to the excellent work carried out behind the scenes by both the secretary Rob and of course the treasurer Leighton. These tend to be thankless jobs but we simply could not continue without their valuable input.

I make again the same plea I made last year for new blood to consider joining the committee. We cannot go on forever and we will need continuity so please you youngsters give a little bit of thought to the possibility.

#### **4. SECRETARY'S REPORT**

All plots currently let with several changing hands over the last 12 months so welcome to our new members. However, there will be several available over the next month so hopefully we will have a very short waiting list.

Last year the council arranged to cut down some trees in the corner of the orchard.

We will endeavour to reorganise the BBQ, date to be arranged.

#### **5. TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasure highlighted the significant issues in his attached Report and presented it to the meeting for formal approval which was proposed by Dave Matson and seconded by Joy Dennison.

#### **6. CULTIVATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PLOTS**

This issue was covered by the Chairman in his Report above. The issues surrounding the compost heap were discussed. Plot holders were reminded to use the centre of the compost heap and be mindful of nearby plots. Once the current site is full, the next available plot will be used.

#### **7. PADLOCK**

It was discussed about changing the number on the padlock, Rob will keep members informed when this will take place.

#### **8. FISH AND CHIP SUPPER.**

This will be on March 15<sup>th</sup> at Cheswick Green Village Hall , details to follow.

#### **8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

All existing officers had said that they were willing to continue serving. The Chairman asked the members if anyone else wished to join the Committee .

The following were therefore approved to serve the Association. Proposed by Lyn Reade and seconded by John Corbett.

David Millichamp – Chairman

Rob Hawkes – Secretary  
Leighton Wardell – Treasurer  
Committee Members – Joy Dennison, Deryck Reade, Roy Lippett

**10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Trips were discussed with Joy and Mick Dennison , these trips require a lot of organisation and they will consider whether they are able to organise one this year.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Ron Hawkes  
Hon. Sec.  
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