

# WOBURN SANDS & DISTRICT ALLOTMENT SOCIETY

## Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 31/03/16 at 7.30pm at the Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall Woburn Sands

**Present:** 62 Shareholders and Tenants attended

### 1) Welcome and Apologies for Absence

a) Colin Smith opened the Meeting and welcomed everyone for attending.

b) Apologies received from the following: Paul Hamer, Jane Roberts, Val Russell, Penny Goodwin, Val Kelsey, Tony & Carol Gale, Peter Skelton, Rosaleen Kirby, Bob Larbey, Lynne Davies, Geoff Cooke and John Bradley.

### 2) Minutes of last AGM Meeting

These were read and approved.

**Proposed: Bob Forrester      Seconded: Elinor Wiemer**

### 3) Chairman's Report

This is available on the Website.

### 4) Treasurer's Report

This is available on the Website.

Phil reported the balance stood at £9k in Bank as of today's date 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016. There was a further £5.5k in grant account. Phil advised the Society bank account and Grant bank account have been kept separate but the accounts showed the total amounts as per advice from auditors. The accounts were approved.

**Proposed: Bob Forrester      Seconded: David Biles**

### 5) Matters raised by Members

None

### 6) Election of Officers and other Management Committee Members

**Chairman - Colin Smith** stood for re-election.

**Vice Chairman – Jeff Wiemer** stood for re-election.

**Secretary – Helen Forrester** stood for re-election.

**Treasurer - Phil Rutt** stood for re-election.

**4 other Members** stood for re-election – **Trevor Templeman, Roger Hansard, Graham Amphlett and Dave Cockerill**

It was proposed to vote en-masse for the re-election of the committee and this was agreed.

**Proposed: Elinor Wiemer      Seconded: Bob Forrester**

**Tony Gale** stood down and **Bob Forrester** was nominated. **Proposed: Elinor Wiemer      Seconded: Barry Byrne**

The Chairman thanked **Tony Gale** for his commitment whilst serving on the Committee.

### 7) Any Other Business

a) The Chairman thanked **Allison Amphlett and Margaret Templeman** for serving refreshments.

b) John Rust asked if grant money could be used to straighten the gate access at Bow Brickhill Road/Tidbury Close corner as the tractor currently has a problem manoeuvring through it as it's skewed with the track. The committee agreed to look into feasibility of this, but warned it was unlikely to come from the grant money as this has to be spent on capital projects.

c) Val Symon asked if either a Portaloo or Long Drop toilet could be situated permanently on the field. Vote passed to look into the options. Val agreed to investigate the option of Long Drop and committee will look into cost of Portaloo.

d) Proposal to buy an Apple Juicer with grant money was raised, and Roger Hansard advised there was a possibility of storing it at Edgewick Farm as they would also be interested in using it in the autumn. It was also suggested to hold a second society event at apple pressing time. **Proposed: Lesley Geddes      Seconded: Roger Hansard.**

e) Val Symon thanked the committee for all their work.

### 8) Date and Time of next AGM Meeting

Will likely be March 30<sup>th</sup> 2017 depending on hire of hall.

**Meeting closed at 8.20p.m.**