

## **LICHFIELD & DISTRICT ALLOTMENTS SOCIETY**

### **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> JULY 2021 at 7pm via ZOOM**

Present:

Liz Bowsher, Tim Boylan, Lewis Hatton, Bill Londesborough, Shirley Londesborough, Rick Stretton

Apologies: Martin Cornish, Andy Grice, Dan Jackson, Juliet Jackson, Tony Lee

Committee reports are attached.

#### **MATTERS ARISING**

There being no matters arising the Minutes were agreed and signed. The public Minutes were also agreed.

Lewis proposed that we agree a minimum of 3 out of the 5 sites should be represented at the monthly meetings for any decisions to be made

#### **Covid 19 Guidance**

In light of the new relaxation of restrictions we will refer members to links to the new Government guidelines and to the National Allotment Society information. This will be via the web site, Facebook, notices on sites and email. Liz will work out the wording and links and Shirley will make up notices and distribute to the sites.

#### **Food Behind Bars**

Lewis has been contacted regarding the above charity who work to improve prison food. They have identified Swinfen Hall Prison where there is a large greenhouse and have approached us for possible support. At the moment this is still in the early stages

#### **2022 Social Calendar**

This will now be discussed at the next meeting due to small numbers of committee members present.

#### **Best Plot Judging**

No-one has come forward from the committee to judge this. Liz proposed that we acknowledge the nominated plots in some way or find a judge in the next week. If we cannot find a judge then we should publish the nominations and extend the qualifying time for newcomers so that they can be judged next year.

#### **Sandfields Pumping Station**

Rick asked if we as a society could make a small donation to Sandfields as they have given us a brand new strimmer. Lewis will email Martin regarding this.

Bill has still not had any response from the Open Spaces Officer regarding gates and fences at Christchurch. Lewis will get in touch with the Town Clerk to see if we can make any progress on this.

Shenstone Allotments have been in touch to see if we can share our waiting list as they have empty plots available. Lewis will find out how many and what price the plots are.

A potato competition was held last year and one person won both Heaviest Potato Crop and Heaviest Potato. Shirley will organise getting the trophies and prize money to him and ask if we can take a photo to put on Facebook.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.40pm

CHAIRMAN .....

SECRETARY .....

**Next meeting – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 7pm**