

## **Membership Secretary's Report – 2022**

This Membership Report refers to the period April 1st 2021 to March 31st 2022 and the proposed membership rates for April 1st 2022 to March 31st 2023.

As with the rest of the world there have been considerable changes foisted upon us throughout this membership year.

This year it was decided to suspend subscriptions until some form of association service could be resumed.

In appreciation of the support received by members as we endeavoured to maintain services throughout the membership year 2020 – 2021

It was decided to reduce the normal £5 per year charge to £4 for the remainder of the year rising to £5 for late (July onwards) payment.

It gives me great pleasure to report that every Salisbury Road plot holder subscribed to the association this membership year.

### **Membership Statistics – as of March 2022**

- Salisbury Road Membership in 2021-2022 year varied throughout the year. Several plots were surrendered due to personal reasons or evictions due to non-worked plots. However, as I write every current plot holder; including the recent replacement plot holders are registered members.\*
- Knowsley Road Membership has increased to 5
- Garden Membership\*\* has increased from 34 to 69.

\* It should be remembered that double plot holders only pay for one membership. Please see further note below regarding this subject.

\*\* Garden Membership. I plan to email all garden members asking them to confirm their wish to remain members. I am aware that one or two have moved out of the district and amended records accordingly – I will make further amendments based on replies received.

The income derived from Membership Subscriptions to date amounts to £480.00

### **Double plot membership:**

**From April 2022 Double Plot Membership will be £5 each where 2 people are registered on the insurance policy and therefore enjoy indemnity on either or both plots.**

**From April 2023 it is proposed that all members who hold double plots will be asked to contribute a higher membership fee. This rate will be subject to any increase in line with single membership rates and where one plot holder leases two allotments will be reduced by 20%.**

**Definition of a double plot: Two plots which each have a unique plot number but may or may not be shared/registered by/to two people but are worked as a single entity.**

### **Membership Fee Structure April 1st 2022 to March 31st 2023**

#### **Salisbury Road Plot Holder Membership Renewal**

**The 2022 annual subscription rate is again £5 per year per plot per member if paid before April 30th 2021 rising to £6 if paid later than April 30th 2021**

**Please see note above regarding double plots.**

#### **New Salisbury Road Plot Holders**

**A pro-rata rate of 50p per month or part thereof (maximum £5) for new plot holders joining the association throughout the year.**

#### **Knowsley Road Affiliation Fees.**

**Waived £0.00**

**It will be assumed that existing members will wish to remain members – please email if this is NOT the case.**

**Garden Membership Annual Fee.**

**Waived £0.00**

**It will be assumed that existing members will wish to remain members – all Garden Members will be asked to email confirmation of membership.**

If any member has any objection to any of the above would you please direct your objection(s) with an explanation of the objection and the considered alternative proposal by email via [salisburyroadallotments@gmail.com](mailto:salisburyroadallotments@gmail.com) to Peter Cheyne – Membership Secretary at your very earliest convenience.

Nil returns will be considered as being in agreement with the proposed structure.

In March there will be a Click and Collect Menu option along with the appropriate notification to facilitate the online payment of your renewal subscriptions. You may also pay by card in the shop during opening hours.

Cheque payments are acceptable but we will have to ask you to add 80p to the above rates to cover bank charges for processing cheques into our business account.

Cheques payable to Cosham & District Allotments & Gardens Association which can be abbreviated to Cosham & District Allot & Gdns Ass..

**Peter Cheyne**

**March 2022**