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Minutes of the meeting Allotments Committee

on Saturday 6th March 24. 1.00 pm

Held at Kingshurst Community garden Hub

Committee Members: Cllr J Edwards (Chairman), Cllr L Browning and Cllr L Bailie

Co-opted members: A.Brooks, S Carney, F.Green, M Frampton, D Quinney, Bill.Bailie.(Lead Gardener)

Members of the Public and Plotolders 8 in attendance

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Action

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1.	Welcome and Housekeeping	
1.1	General housekeeping. Chair opened meeting	
2.	To receive apologies: Apologies were received from F Green and D Quinney	
3.	To receive members' declarations of disclosable (pecuniary and other) interests. None	
4.	To approve the Minutes of the last Allotment Committee Meeting held on 10th February 2024. Resolved: Minutes of the Allotment Committee meeting held on 10th February 24 were approved as a true record and signed by the chairman.	
5.	Allotment /Finance	
5.1	Finance Report Resolved: Cllr Browning went through the Allotment committee Budget.	

	<p>The remaining reserves funding for the hub project will be used to purchase the generator and improve the interior of the hub</p> <p>5.2 Allotment plot- Plot 7 Resolved: YO, are to manage plot 7 on an yearly lease, If all parties are happy with the arrangements, the lease will be renewed. The produce will be given to the community garden</p> <p>5.3. Taps: To be turned back on. Resolved: Bill will look at the 2 broken taps and asses if he can fix them before a plumber gives a quote.</p> <p>5.4. Plot holders to be encouraged to collect rain water. Resolved: Now the site taps will be turned back on, there are things we can all do as plot holders to reduce our water usage and use water more wisely, Those who have sheds have no excuse for not fitting up some sort of guttering and collecting water in a butt.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cllr Baillie will look further into bulk water containers <p>5.5. Plot holders to be encouraged to take home their rubbish.</p> <p>5.6. Rubbish removal date: Resolved: Cllr Baillie, will look into the 2Ton loads which will work out cheaper than a skip. Hold back on booking a date till late May, when the beehive area needs to be cleared.</p> <p>5.7. Dedicated compost area: Resolved: An area has been designated and will be ready within the next few weeks.</p>	<p>Bill</p> <p>L/Bai</p> <p>L/Bai</p> <p>L/Bai</p> <p>L/Bai J/E</p>
<p>6.</p> <p>6.1.</p> <p>6.2.</p> <p>6.3.</p>	<p>Community Gardens</p> <p>Community hub: Birmingham Business park and a Community partnership arranged for 2024/25,for social value volunteering days for business,this will offer a holistic approach supporting the community garden, combining physical labor, skills sharing and material donations</p> <p>May 2nd, Site visit from Birmingham business park. Resolved: Cllr Edwards will attend this visit.</p> <p>A pond area supported by Galliford Try Building.</p>	<p>J/E clerk</p>

	<p>Resolved: A meeting was arranged on March 15th, with Galliford Try, a community pond will be designed, donated and installed looking at starting work in May 2024.</p> <p>The addition of a pond to the community garden, offers a range of ecological, educational, and community benefits. It aligns with principles of sustainability and provides a habitat for wildlife. The project reflects a holistic approach to eco-friendly gardening and community development.</p>	
7.	<p>Public Participation To adjourn to allow public participation for 10 minutes. Residents are requested to give their views and question on items on this agenda or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chairman.</p> <p>Questions raise by email:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Metal Fence - <i>Car cashed into the fence late last year. The damaged fence is at the bottom of Fordbridge road. A decision was made to leave the fence for now, it has been assessed and it is structurally safe, once the bush grows the dent will be less noticeable</i> ● Recycling Policy - <i>The Committee have agreed that they will encourage a more holistic approach to eco-friendly gardening</i> ● Pumpkin seeding - <i>Mark to arrange a date, once date has been arranged Clerk will share post on social media and encourage families to attend.</i> 	M/F.
8.	<p>Date of the next meeting: TBA</p>	
9.	<p>Meeting closed</p> <p>1.45pm</p>	

Signed (Chair):

Date: