



## **Minutes of meeting at: Staines Rugby Club**

24th May 2007

Chairman: Mr Keith Hitchman  
Chairman Of Meetings: Mr Christopher Hill  
Members Secretary: Mr John Treadwell  
Minutes Secretary: Miss Dawn Johnston  
Treasurer: Mrs Pat Johnston

**Date** 24th May 2007 held at Staines Rugby Club at 7pm

**Present** Colin, Keith, Eileen, Colin, Julie, Peter, Diane, Venetia, Clare, John T, Mike, Mick, John R, Dawn, Paul, Harry, Terry, Gwen, Clive, Elizabeth, David

**Apologies** Dawn, Julie, Pat

### **Matters Arising From Last Meeting:**

- Thanks for the clean up day.
- No incidents of breaches in security noted.
- Regarding the new gate, the council should be contacting Keith tomorrow, the padlock will stay the same.
- Thanks to Colin for the new letter headed paper, please ask if you need any
- We cannot reclaim VAT. We are now registered with the Inland Revenue so it may be easier to be awarded grants.
- Ian is selling water butts & wheelie bins for £4-£5 (see him on plot 82/83).
- Issue with domestic rubbish brought in to site and some picnic rubbish. Please take your own rubbish home with you. We do have composting/recycling areas for composting materials/timber/metal & asbestos.
- Please do not drive too fast down the road.
- We have a second rotovator, a little old green one, it can be difficult to work but it is available.
- Keith has registered us 23 members with NSALG, details will be put up on the notice board.
- The pest control officer who has offered us boxes, has a delay on stock.
- Competitions are to be held in september – we need 3 volunteers who will not be entering to be judges.
- Shooting has started again in the fields behind. Last year there were a few incidents of ‘shot’.  
coming into the allotments. Please report any incidents to the committee.
- Toilet – Mike has re-done the door. Enquiries have been made into lino (8’ x 8’). The panels to be boarded inside. General discussion has had on the use of the composting toilet. We need to arrange the keys/cleaning between us and evaluate the running cost. Should we charge a deposit for a key for people who will want to use the toilet? Report back next meeting with ideas
- Please park diagonally to the 1st plot (Peter’s)

- The road – Terry quoted £5100 for the road and we don't have enough money. We can afford £2000 for road improvements. Need ideas. Everyone agreed that we will do the best job we can. Need to fill in holes, maybe dig off the raised area in the middle of the road, possibly a clean up day? After a general discussion, Mike said he would seek other costs and ideas and report back next meeting.
- Open Day – 3rd June lunchtime. We need organisers for open day, tables needed, monies raised to be spent on fireworks. Colin on BBQ, George on drinks, Keith donating 36 cans of beer, ideas, crafts, cakes, plants, books

#### **Any Other Business**

- Elizabeth noted how great the allotments look this year

Next meeting 12th July 7pm at the Staines Rugby Club

Meeting closed.