



CHIPPERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Allotment AGM Minutes

The meeting was held on the 20th June 2016 in The Small Hall, The Common, Chipperfield

To Councillors W. Bathurst, Cllr Luff, Cllr Laverack
In attendance Mrs C Butcher Clerk to the Council
Councillor Bathurst

17 allotment holders and members of the public

1. CHAIRMANS REPORT

Cllr Bathurst informed holders that 3 cultivation letters had been sent out to holders of unworked plots.

It was agreed that the Clerk and Cllr Bathurst need to tighten up on unworked plots as there is now a waiting list, It was suggested and decided that any future applicants would be allocated half a plot as opposed to full size. Mr. Brankin suggested that perhaps a criteria for working a plot be introduced.

2. ACCOUNTS

The accounts were presented, Lin Johnston was thanked by Cllr Bathurst for nominating the council for the generous donation received from Blackwells Trust, which was used to pay for the new gate and plaque.

The accounts show a surplus of £112.54 with the old gate yet to be sold.

It was suggested this cash could be used for a gate into the football field.

Cllr Bathurst informed plot holders Council were not keen to increase the rents, holders were informed that the rangers wages had been increased which will be reflected in the running costs for next years accounts.

3. OPEN FORUM

Deposits on keys : Allotment holders informed Cllr Bathurst they do not require their money back on key deposits.

Security was discussed and 2 holders commented they did not think the allotments secure enough. Cllr Bathurst explained that the jigger had been missing when the lock was first supplied for the new gate. It was discussed and agreed that signs should be put on the gates to read 'Allotment holders only' No Right of Way. Cutting the trees back was discussed and Cllr Bathurst is to contact Colin Chambers at Dacorum. Cllr Bathurst is to arrange for the tap by the chicken run to be mended.

4. BEST KEPT ALLOTMENT COMPETITION

A vote was taken, with 7 in favour and 3 not. It was suggested by a holder to perhaps have a different title, and maybe Best Productive Allotment

5. OPENING OF DAVIDS GATE

Cllr Bathurst thanked Mr Brankin for kindly fitting the plaque to the gate.

Mary Nobbs cut the ribbon and gave a short speech saying how David had always walked from their home to his allotment with his wheelbarrow for many years.

6. REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments were enjoyed by allotment holders and members of the Nobbs family.