

PRETORIA ROAD ALLOTMENT SOCIETY

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Pretoria Road Allotment Society, held on 1st October 2014 at the Casson Center, Patchway.

Apologies:- Angela Booth and Mike Stinchcomb

The AGM convened with Les Brooks in the chair, welcoming everyone to the meeting.

The minutes of the 2013 AGM were adopted unanimously.

The Chairman in his address, thanked everyone for their support and also the Committee members for the work put in over the past year. All of this has helped to continue the Society's success.

As Treasurer, Derek Howell presented his report and advised us that all was well and that the Society's funding was in surplus. Copies of the accounts were distributed at the meeting and further copies are available to anyone upon request to the Treasurer.

The Chairman stated that at this point, that there are 5 vacant plots, these being all half plots.

Election of Committee members:-

Jenny Lloyd resigned as Secretary and Chris Brooker resigned as Vice-Chairman.

Larry McQuaid was proposed and seconded to take up the post of Vice-Chairman.

Les Brooks was proposed and seconded to remain as Chairman.

Derek Howell was proposed and seconded to remain as Treasurer

Roger Fussell was proposed and seconded to take up the post of Secretary.

Norman Bradford, Darren Bowden, Terry Wall, Mike Stinchcomb, Angela Booth, were all returned as committee members.

One additional committee member was created and Leon Ray was proposed and seconded for this post.

Any other Business:-

The Chairman announced that two new measures were being adopted to help out with concerns over composting. This following the decision to shut down and dismantle the compost bays.

The first measure was that the Council are to supply the Society with 50 new composting bins. These will be distributed according to need. It is hoped that further bins will become available in the future.

The second measure was regarding concerns over what to do about “woody” materials. Les Brooks has negotiated a deal with the Council, whereby they will shred woody materials and leave them for

us to re-use as composting material.

Plot holders are advised that if they wish to make use of this facility, they must pile their woody waste in the area near the gate which opens onto the playing field. This is opposite the bottom of plot 30b.

Les Brooks thanked everyone once again for their attendance and invited us all to enjoy tea, coffee and cake before leaving.

Footnote:- It is regretted that these notes are somewhat shortened, as the outgoing Secretary did not provide any notes and the Committee were unaware of this until after the meeting.