

## Quarry Road Allotments Association

Minutes of Quarry Road Allotments Association meeting held on  
Tuesday 12th April 2011 at The Allotment Cabin, 6:30pm

**Present:**

Committee members; Unal Metti, Helen Wright, Jill Hobson, Don Rutter, Richard Carr,  
John Gray, John Chambers

Additional members; Alan plot 14, Fionnula plot 88, Peter plot 86, Chris. plot 98

**Apologies:** none

1. **Correspondence** - permission was granted to people who have applied for green houses/sheds/poly tunnels - plot 8, plot 89
2. **Gate locks** - following acquisition of quotes for locks and keys it was agreed that combination locks should be purchased for the main and side gates to the site. Richard Carr wanted it noted that he thinks this will be a waste of time and money. Unal is to go ahead and purchase the locks then every plot holder will be given the entry numbers. **Gates to be locked every night please.**
3. **Drainage update** - Many thanks to all who helped dig out the drainage channels. The left hand side track has now been done and further drainage on the plots can now take place. Gravel is to be purchased to cover the pipes.
4. **Unworked plots** - following inspection of the site, by committee members, various plot holders are to be contacted. Further inspection will take place in the coming month before formal notices are to be served.
5. **Rents** - all rents have now been collected in, including from the learner plots.
6. **Skip update** - The skip will hopefully appear on the Thursday of Easter week, 21st April. Unal is to oversee the siting of this. Only non-compostable materials please.
7. **Shop** - more multi-purpose compost to be purchased. Jill to make further enquiries about purchasing a metal container to store it all in.  
General finances were also discussed and accounts for the previous year are to be audited. Unal and Richard to oversee this. We still have a very healthy bank balance.
8. **Paint for fencing** - Unal to purchase green paint for all the new fencing in place.
9. **Waiting list update**- Unal to make this available for all committee members
10. **Site plan**- Don to take on the task of sorting out correct numbering of plots  
50 to 55
11. **Land rent**- Jill to contact SBC regarding the payment of the land rent for the site.
12. **AGM date and location**- Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2011, 11am, Butterfly World

- 13. Committee responsibilities-** it was agreed that any private matters that need to be discussed, regarding particular plot holders, should take place with committee members only at the end of a normal committee meeting. This will ensure privacy for all those concerned.
- 14. Health and Safety-** John Chambers and Unal are to begin the task of completing a health and safety form for the site. Main areas are to be covered first.
- 15. Summer show-**new date agreed, the end of national allotment week- Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2011. This to be discussed at future meetings and a list of show categories agreed.
- 16. A.O.B.** - SBC have asked everyone to take part in an allotment survey. Forms are to be available from the allotment cabin once approved by the committee.
- **Dogs must be kept on lead, as much as possible, on site.**  
Any dog mess must be cleared away. This is one of the rules of the association.
  - **Rubbish in hedgerows.** Please can all plot holders try and refrain from throwing rubbish into the hedges. This is a particular problem in certain areas of the site and should be discouraged as much as possible.
  - **Bonfires** must only be lit after sunset. The committee has become aware of household rubbish being burnt on site and request that this be stopped. Letters are to be sent to those plot holders who continue to break this rule.

**Meeting closed 8:30pm**

**Next meeting will be**

**Tues. 10<sup>th</sup> May 2011 6:30pm Allotment Cabin**

**All members are welcome to attend the meeting.**