Aberaeron Allotment Association 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 Minutes

### **Present**

Mike Evans, Eileen Evans, Diana Mace, Dai Lewis, Jane Dudgeon (Love Life Projects,) Marie Thomas, Bleddyn Jones, Geoffrey Hicks, Lowri Jones, Frank Birt, Joan Birt, Rosie Price, Ruth Lloyd Hopper.

#### Apologies

Anne Lewis, Gwyn Jones, Rachel Betson, Alison Heal, Eirlys Jones, Steve Webb, Neil Garrod

#### **Chairpersons Report**

Diana welcomed everyone including the two new members.

Open Day

Despite the bad weather on the day the open day was successful. £250 went to N.G.S. remainder went to the allotment.

It has been decided that next year the open day will not be part of the N.G.S

No entrance fee will be made. We will invite the primary school to participate in a scarecrow competition. Frank has agreed to get some banners made for the open day.

Despite letters Gail has not responded so her plot has now gone to Rosie Price and Ruth Lloyd Hopper.

Due to the bad weather flooding has been particularly bad this year, come March and April the allotments will be ready to go.

## **Treasures Report**

Open Day raised  $\pounds 652.70 + \pounds 250$  that went to N.G.S.

Opening balance29 October 2017 £943.20 Closing balance27 October 2018 £1702.76. As of  $22^{nd}$  November Frank's Hedge fund has added £218 so total is £1911.26.



Dai also mentioned that he will be helping a veteran with an overgrown garden. This is via the British Legion so if anyone is willing and able they will be looking for volunteers. Jayne said that Love Life would probably be able to help.

### Secretary's Report

Joan said that she had taken over from Helene as secretary and hoped that everyone would bear with her whilst she got to grips with the job.

Election of officers

It was decided that the roles of Chairperson, Treasurer & Secretary would stay the same.

Chairperson Diana Mace

Treasurer Dai Lewis

Secretary Joan Birt

#### **Business Meeting**

**AAA Website** . Eldi is still the contact but Joan will email members to see if anyone is willing to see about either setting up or sorting out the website.

**Christmas get together** .A date of January 12<sup>th</sup> 2019 has been discussed as the date of the get together as December is a busy time for most people. Email will be sent out to determine venue etc.

# **Open Day**

4th August 2019 was the date decided for the Open day. Banners to be made in both Welsh & English. Advertising nearer the time.? Town Guide, Ego.

## Mowers

Frank mentioned that Meurig's mower had a broken wheel whilst his had seized due to being underwater during the flooding. Bleddyn said that he knew someone that would look at them.

## Drainage

Bleddyn asked if we wanted to go ahead with the issue of drainage. Obviously no price at moment but pipe work alone could be between £900 & £1300. A sub committee was elected. Bleddyn,Alison,Geoff & Gwyn were elected. They could look into funding etc. A meeting of the sub committee will be held after Christmas . I haven't elaborated on what was said about the way the drainage could be done. Am sure when the sub committee meet more information will be available. Bleddyn has sent a couple of files which will email separately as haven't quite got the hang of putting into the minutes. Sorry.

## Plot 9

It was suggested that a team could be put together to help with the clearing of ePlot 9. All volunteers greatly welcomed.

Lowri said that they have enjoyed the first year at the allotment and thanked everyone for making them feel welcome.

Meeting closed at 8.40.pm.