### MINUTES OF THE SANDHURST ALLOTMENT SOCIETY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 29 AUGUST 2018 AT 7.30PM AT THE OLD SCHOOL HALL, BACK ROAD

- In Attendance: Chris and Teresa Breckon Mary and Gordon Hiscock Patsy Hiscock Shirley Cramp Sheila and Mick O'Rourke Toni and Dave Rogers Gill Hale (PC liaison)
- Apologies: Ros Maggs John and Jo Gillingham Jane and Trevor Bateman

# Matters arising from previous meeting: Car Park Area:

It was agreed that the necessity for improving the area had diminished so no further work would be undertaken.

# Wasteground Clearance:

Ryland Homes had cleared the area and cut back the holly tree overhanging the allotment site.

# **Fence Mending:**

A stronger post had been erected at the end of the allotment site and so the fence had been strengthened somewhat. More needed to be done but it was decided to leave it for the moment.

### **Any Other Business:**

**Parish Council Walkabout:** As the PC representative did not attend the meeting, she was unable to say whether there were any problems relating to the plots on the allotment site.

**Hedgecutting:** Mary told the meeting that the top of the hedge at the back of the site had been cut by the person living in the house just outside the allotments. A lot of the hedge cuttings had fallen on the allotment side of the hedge. It was decided to wait a few days to see whether he would clear up our side of the hedge. Mary had already raked up the cuttings into piles and disposed of some of it. David and Toni

Rogers offered to clear up and dispose of the rest of the hedge cuttings. Other plot holders said they would help too.

**Raspberry canes:** Mary said that the raspberry canes left in position by Ros had outlived their usefulness. It was agreed that any plot holder could take any canes they wanted before the 15 November and after that time Mary would dispose of them.

**Plots 5a and 5b:** The bindweed on plots 5a and 5b was becoming a problem for other plot holders and for the communal areas. It was agreed that Gill would send an email to Graham Fisher asking that he do something about it sooner rather than later.

**New Contracts:** Payment for another year for the plots would be asked for by the PC at the end of September. Gill agreed to speak to the PC about the costs for next year which would include the group insurance payment. She would also ask that a new contract be issued to everyone as it had not been distributed since changes were made.

Water troughs:David Rogers volunteered to turn off the water and drain the3 troughs on 1 November.

Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 17 April 2019.

The meeting ended at 8.05pm.