

GRAVEL PIT ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

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Minutes

Meeting held at 2.00 pm on Sunday 5th December 2010 at Barn Cottage

PRESENT

Suzanne Allan (GPAA Chair)

Michael Atkin (GPAA Treasurer)

Denise Mitchell (GPAA Secretary and minute taker)

Steve Oxley

Andy Hancock

APOLOGIES

None

		Action
1.	Minutes of Previous Meeting Accepted as a true record.	
2.	Matters Arising None	
3.	Treasurer's Report £385.11 currently in bank account. £250 applied for from East Riding of Yorkshire Council £23,000 applied for from Big Lottery Outgoings – seed order, £53.70, £100 digger transport	
4.	NSALG Membership Membership renewed again this year.	
5.	Big Lottery Funding Discussed progress of funding bid.	
6.	Field Development Tree man to start crowning trees before contractors move in. Suzanne to contact. Digger's gone back. Andy will put photos on website Scraped soil from banks and mounded in field – topsoil/subsoil/gravel.	Suzanne Andy

	<p>Another generous offer of topsoil from Martin Jibson. Will need to be transported. All committee aware of possible impact of transporting topsoil on local residents and keen to lessen wherever possible by specifying route to be taken by hauliers.</p> <p>Planning permission needed to raise level of field by adding topsoil to depth of 1m (approx 582 tonnes). Suzanne had letter from Council Planning Department.</p> <p>Parish Council need to apply as they are landowners. Steve to contact Planning Department to establish requirements, then Suzanne, as Chair, will contact Parish Council.</p> <p>NB Michael no longer on PC so no GPAA contact now on PC. Agreed to invite PC to attend AGM.</p> <p>Water on. Tap needs to be fitted.</p> <p>Fencing can be done when soil has been levelled.</p> <p>Contractors all identified and quotes received. Ready to go when/if funding received.</p>	<p>Steve Suzanne</p>
7.	<p>Progress against Programme Individual Tenancy Agreements received from Suzanne and Steve. Michael, Andy and Denise still to complete. Download from website.</p> <p>Denise to update Progress against Programme</p>	<p>Michael Andy Denise Denise</p>
8.	<p>Any Other Business <u>Opening Ceremony</u> Michael to make enquiries about the possibility of Prince Charles opening the allotments. Michael to enquire about availability any time after June 2011</p> <p>Letter received in support of GPAA from Greg Knight, MP. Invite to opening, too. Also invite ERYC representative, local users/schools. Also contact media.</p> <p><u>List of potential members</u> Suzanne to forward contacts to Denise. Steve has new potential allotment holder. Agreed to contact all members/potential members when outcome of Lottery bid known.</p> <p><u>East Riding of Yorkshire Council</u> Steve attended Chief Exec's Conference. Spoke to Chief Exec of ERYC. Pointed out difficulty of groups like GPAA accessing Council</p>	<p>Michael</p> <p>tbc</p> <p>Suzanne Steve Denise</p>

	<p>resources/contacts. We now have a case office, Janice Lowther. Hope to arrange meeting in New Year to discuss how ERYC can help us and how we can enable them to help other community groups in East Riding. Eg funding sources/ training/ wildlife etc.</p> <p><u>Other Funding Sources</u> Steve found “Coasts, Wolds, Wetlands and Waterways” – part of Leader Programme. Will look through funding material to see if applicable. Possibly help with funding/digging/managing pond.</p> <p>Suzanne suggested “Grassroots” at Stamford Bridge.</p> <p>Agreed to wait until Big Lottery confirmed before applying for anything else.</p> <p>Agreed to attend Car Boot Sale at York Racecourse when restart in Spring. Denise to take leftover stock to Michael’s for storage.</p> <p><u>Website</u> Andy to add summer fundraising results to website. £288</p> <p>Andy reminded us to go through GPAA website first if buying from Amazon. Click on Amazon button and shop as normal for fundraising from Amazon. When we’ve got £60 they’ll transfer to our account. Michael gave Andy account details. You can add link to desktop.</p> <p>Michael gave us his new e-mail address: Michael@nffo.org.uk</p>	<p>Denise</p> <p>Andy</p>
10.	<p>Future Meetings</p> <p>Date and time 2011 meetings to be confirmed</p>	<p>Venue</p>

Next Meeting

To be confirmed