

Ealing Dean Allotment Society Meeting  
Monday 21st July 2025  
Drayton court Hotel@19:30

Present ...CF,CH,JW,CE.

1. Apologies for absence SM,MN.
2. Actions from last minutes completed. **Action for CE to create poll for brainstorming of allotment plot.**
3. Minutes from the last meeting were approved, It is noted that JW sent Fran an expense form and will process when upon receipt..
4. Waiting list stands at 439 as of today.
5. Site rental status. **Action for CF to send out questionnaire to top of waiting list.**
6. 5 gardening club plots available - 147-1/147-3/147-5 234-1.
7. Summer open day review. Approximately £1200 profit awaiting final expenses.  
**sales** - plants £469/bbq /£505/Bar £749/cakes £786
  - Plant stall relocation was a success, despite losing regular professional plant donation.
  - Herbs were requested, including dried herbs. Rhubarb cordial sold out as well as preserves. Tote bags were requested and committee feel a branded bag would be a good idea.
  - Perennials were very popular. Annuals less so.
  - Vegetarian kebabs were very popular.
  - A google drive document is to be created to share thoughts about what went well etc
  - Despite tough weather - it was a successful event and the committee are grateful for all the help from the volunteers.

8. Since the last committee meeting a follow up meeting with pathways took place to discuss payment principles and the MA. Pathways (PW)have received our version of the updated management agreement. This has been well received, discussions were positive and there was agreement on suggestions.

The proposed MA would align with the balance of responsibilities between EDAS and pathways and formalise roles based upon a greater transfer of funds.

-Pathways agreed to pay for tree work on 208B.

Following meeting small revisions were made to the MA and was sent to them.

- Scribe was discussed briefly and use of it is contingent on the updated MA.
- Scribe is proposed software for managing the allotments.
- PW are due to discuss this at their July board meeting .
- The committee awaits their response.
- Meanwhile PW committed to pay EDAS money due the beginning of April, the first week of June. Action for CF - to send email to PW to chase this up.

9. Absentee Gardeners. The committee discussed an individual plothead's situation and that Pathways have been informed.

10. Orchard plot - **Action for CE and SM to approach plothead and agree variation of Tenancy agreement.**

11. MM list - jobs rubbish from the open day - skip for MM
12. Next site walk - **AC and CF**
13. Instagram was discussed as a platform - to improve drive to increase numbers. Committee will invite Nolan to a committee meeting to discuss.
14. Members were advised of winners of public choice .
15. Halloween was discussed and the committee resolved to take a fallow year this year and a well earned rest. The committee thank the volunteers for making it a successful and popular event, and resolved to return the following year with a renewed appetite.