

## **CVWHAS Committee Meeting Sunday 6 June 2021, at the CVWHAS Hub**

Present: Roger Dean, Pete Elliot, Jenny Embleton, James Gilderoy, Jane Griffin, Mary Ledgard, Susan Perrin, Paul Skelly

Apologies: Nick Fry, Tessa Pawsey

A successful plant swap was held after this meeting.

### **Website**

- May featured a plotholder focus on Jenny & Hattie, a chilli recipe from Mary, an article about bird scarers from Nick and promoted The Wildlife Trust's #30DaysWild campaign in June.
- An article from Anna/Arthur on composting is ready for publication.
- **But more articles are needed, especially for plotholder focus? Please contact Nick directly.**
- Paul will approach a neighbouring plotholder about an article on rare Swallowtail butterflies on the site.
- A number of community groups now had plots on the two sites. It was suggested that CVWHAS reach out to them for content for the website.
- The June edition of the newsletter has been published. It now has **27** subscribers, up 7 from last month.

### **Sign and Noticeboards**

- All the kit for maintaining the noticeboards is in a red TK Maxx bag in the Hub.
- A diagonal 'flash' sign would be put in the noticeboards at the pedestrian gates for the next Hub opening.
- It was agreed not to progress with the large sign originally proposed at the Beresford Road entrance but to have a smaller sign attached to the Hub structure.

### **Letter to Council**

- There had been no response from the Council to the letter sent on 14 March.
- But anti-social behaviour was the main outstanding issue and whether the Council's actions had reduced the problem.

### **Plot Letting etc**

- Jane reported that a letter from the Council explaining new plot letting procedures was expected; letting and site inspections would resume shortly.
- A list of plotholders and co-workers had been provided by the Council but no contact details; BHCC would not provide contact details on data protection grounds and appeared to be taking a much narrower position in this area than other local authorities.
- There were 224 on the waiting list for WH and only 10 vacant plots.
- There was a shortage of keys for new plotholders.

### **BHAF update**

- Nothing to report.

### **Any Other Business**

- Overgrown hedges were raised as a problem e.g. nettles, branches etc in narrow paths, brambles etc extending onto the haulage way that scratched cars, large trees at plot boundaries. Plotholders would be reminded to maintain their boundaries.
- The speed of traffic on the haulage way had been identified as a problem, particularly as visibility is poor. It was agreed that 5mph signs would be installed.
- The track going left at Beresford Road gates was no longer safe to drive on. It was agreed to install a no entry sign at the bottom of the slope. The poor state of this part of the haulage way had also been raised at BHAF.
- The rat problem at the north end of CV was on-going. It was understood that the Council had allocated resources to pest control for this and it was hoped that action would commence soon.
- It was agreed that the AGM would be held at the next meeting.

### **Next meeting**

- Sunday 4 July at the Hub.