

Hereford Allotment & Leisure Gardeners

Site Rep Meeting Minutes

Date: 18th August 2025

Attendees: Tasha Bennett (TB), Chris Yapp (CY), Val Simms (VS), Malcolm Watkin (MW), Jo Simms (JS), Derek Mumford (DM), Annie Jones (AJ), Pauline Shannon (PS), David Fletcher (DF), Dan Watkins (DW), John Rosser (JR), Roy Matthews

Apologies: Mick Paine (MP), Jan Poole (JP)

Chair: Pauline Shannon (PS)

Previous minutes: All OK

Matters arising: None

Site rep reports by exception

Ash: Update from PS:

- Water reading: 965
- Plot holders leaving and some starting
- Letter of concern has been sent to one plot holder
- Hand on toilet broke which was fixed by a plot holder

College: Update from JS:

- Water reading: 3214
- Very quiet on site
- Issues raised about the competition
- JS has been asked if they can provide the competition rules. TB advised the trustees to review around the competition
- JS has asked by the College plot holders if the competition could be held per site and if the plot holders on each site could vote who they think is the best plot. PS said the Trustees will take on board and discuss.
- JS asked if anyone knows where they would take fresh fruit as they have an abundance. DM advised The Living Room on Commercial Road.
- Site get together at the end of September.

Corporation: Update from AJ:

Registered Address: The Fred Bulmer Centre, Wall Street, Hereford, HR4 9HP
Registered Charity Number: 1185338

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- Water reading: 2148
- Everything is going on quietly.
- Summer get together was cancelled as people will be dropping out so will arrange a meal for Christmas.
- Young teenagers tried to push through the fence where the tree had come down. DM sent communications to the site to ask for a working party to mend the fence.
- One letter of concern sent.

Drybridge: Site rep not present

- Water reading: 022031
- Seasonal get together went well.
- A couple of plots who have not really done much, have sent them messages.
- Not many people on the site because of the heat.
- Toilet seat has been ripped off. And I had been informed that someone had defecated everywhere around the toilet and another plot holder had to clean it. Not acceptable. DW will arrange a new toilet seat.
- Someone left the tap water running in the toilet too.
- Issues raised about the competition. Plot holders were not happy they were not entered in the competition.
- MW waiting for the council to respond about the apple tree.

Eign: Update from CY:

- Water reading: 388
- CY requested small skip, this has been approved.

Holmer: Update from TB:

- Water reading:4863 skate park:303
- Mark Robinson has stood down as site rep. Sharon Baugh has kindly agreed to become assistant site rep again.
- Thank you to PS husband for digging the trench for the toilet and DM to for moving the sink and installing the pipework and DM for adjusting the chain on the gate so people can't get locked in.
- MW will fit the water pipe to the sink and TB will communicate with plot holders when the new toilet can be used.
- Old toilet will be arranged to be removed by scrap.
- Communal hot bin will go where the old toilet

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- Requested sign through City Council for the gate
- Tree by plot 12 needs addressing. MW has contacted the Race Course about this as it is on their land.
- The racecourse have said they will not be releasing anymore ground for the allotments. DM will have a chat with councillor again.

Rockfield: Update from DF:

- Water reading:
- Cannot contact the plot holder at the moment to return the cup for engraving.
- Resident has been complaining about children making noise at 09:30 at night. DF does not think it is anyone from the allotment but asked the resident to contact him should he hear it again.
- Muntjac deer have been seen on site.
- Will require a skip at some point.
- Very dry with not much activity.

Westfaling: Update by email from JP:

- Water reading:
- All OK on the plots, nothing to report.

Wordsworth: Update from MP:

- Meter reading: 6431 (MW will double check)
- Badger on site, taking the sweetcorn.
- No issues.

AOB:

- Prizegiving on Monday 15th September @ 19:30 @ The Railway Club

END OF MEETING

No meeting in September due to prize giving. Next meeting Monday 20th October @ 19:00 @ The Railway Club