

BHG Zoom meeting 22.05.20

Present: Beki, Richard & Deena, Pauline, Sally

Matters arising: (carried forward)

- Beki to put an email together for circulation and comment by those present and then post on the website re how we are managing coronavirus and staying open to new membership BH
- Beki to email receipt for hurdles to Richard BH
- Goats need to be registered with new vet who deal with farm animals. (The one by Hanleys is Severnside) KW

Membership and Portions: (carried forward)

Portion leaders to check and confirm back who is renewing so rotas can be organised KW/BH/RA

Publicity: (carried forward)

A3 laminated posters: Beki progressing with four families BH
Agreed not to post on Blakeney Residents Page but limit to website for now

Land: (carried forward)

Kate has circulated copies of the previous leases, Tom will look over Kenny's, Kate wants responsibility for historic existing structures included. TD

Beki and Kate to liaise about contacting Kenny for lease renewal on the goat field and organise now to allow fundraising BH/KW

Ducks:

Concrete base to house complete

Beki to order electronic opening device for duck door, Richard has timber BH

Pond to be drained, Richard will empty volunteers needed for cleaning out RA

Goats:

Ration hay until this years harvest available feed at night only, sufficient fresh browsing available now.

Move pallets from barn as they become free up to lean-to shed for new hay/straw store floor.

Jesse and Juno have gone to new home together, Juniper and Jona are at Beki's for 1 week.

Ava and Ami off to Asha centre next week.

Simon and Henrietta who have kids from the previous year interested in setting up joint milking, could be a very good mutually supportive arrangement.

Following meeting neighbours reported goats getting in to their garden, some rotted fence posts need replacing. Goats now secured out of main field until repairs can be done.

Bees: (carried forward)

Doing well, 2 strong hives, 1 medium strong. Top bar to be moved to standard hive.

New interest for this season: Salima, Siobhan, Jan O'Niel, Father and son in Blakeney; Richard C renewing. Richard to follow up. RA

Richard advised is following National Beekeepers advice on social distancing

Tom volunteered to do some clearing of vegetation around hives TD

Veg:

Beki has visited site with Scott from Rewilding project who has chestnut coppice and could quote for fence repairs, Beki to organise BH

(Note: no fund raising possible as there is currently no lease agreement in place)

Tool library:

Beki taking over the plot from Kate, needs owners contact details. Also no key available for the garage.

KW/BH

Hannah is using polytunnel for this years seedlings, and to be asked to join BHG (£6 as basic member)

BH

Kate reported Awards 4 All is currently closed due to coronavirus.

AOB:

None

Next meetings: fortnightly

Friday 5th June (time tbc) by zoom. Click on weblink in Beki's mail to join. You will need to download zoom first.

Be Well, stay safe PW