

BHG Open Management Meeting 18.06.22

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Present:Beki, Deena, Pauline, Kim,
Welcome to Michelle, Rory and Becky**Action****Election of officers following AGM 14.05.22:****Chair:** Pauline proposed Beki seconded by Kim**Vice Chair:** Beki proposed Michelle seconded by Deena**Company Secretary:** Kim proposed Richard seconded by Pauline (Rory and Becky to shadow)**Treasurer:** Beki proposed Steve seconded by Deena (Kim and Richard to support)**Minutes Secretary:** Beki proposed Pauline seconded by Kim

Note: Chair, Company Secretary and Treasurer posts must be Company Directors.

Annual Report: brief treasurer report to be added to draft and emailed to Pauline for circulation with AGM minutes to all members and attendees**BH/PW****Portion Updates:****Goats:** the 3 boys now advertised, propose to keep all 4 girls for now 18 months before they will be due to go to the billy decide then. Decision on whether to milk Fern or not needed as she has not had a rest from kidding. Ava now retired. Sadly Ami died last week aged 11, her kids are being tended using Blossom's milk and are in company with Ava and her two kids, paperwork complete. Eartags have been sourced from County farmers, Movement orders to be done for Liquorice and Lemonade when they go to Rory and Becky's once weaned. Beki to check when milk ok for human consumption. Goat group meeting to be organised to agree future herd strategy and milk requirements.**BH**

Working group parties for 1 hour on Saturday mornings.

Bees: Mark and Richard working together. Another top bar hive to be moved from a local school. 2 active hives currently.**Ducks:** the youngest group ready to move to main field within the month. Sexes not yet known Michelle has offered to take all drakes. One is laying, hopefully all will begin laying in the autumn. New bath pond is up and running old pond now filled in.**Veg:** progressing well, produce available for harvesting each week. Work has started on lower patch to prepare small polytunnel for netting and brassica planting. Two existing raised beds could be brought back in to use.**Blakeney Hill Borrowers:(aka tool library)****Brought forward from previous meeting:**Michelle showed us the lending platform. We suggest we all have a play and see how we get on. Lots of potential and if we start small we can build it up as we get more confident.

Things to think about:

- Add it as a portion with a cost attached so as to cover insurance
- Name – Blakeney Hill Borrowers being suggested.
- Don't need specific places but need a code for where items are kept/collected/who has the item.
- Cost of borrowing each item needs thought.

If the management group have a play for a month, we can all add items and borrow them from each other for the month then we can discuss more detail at next meeting.

This meeting:

Michelle has emailed link to restart the month of play as no one has had time to experiment, and to sign up more management group members to act as administrators,

<p>then will do a walkthrough for all members before going live. Suggestion that sharing resources such as surplus produce could be offered as well as items to borrow on the catalogue. Power tools not suitable due to levels of risk management required. Deposits need consideration to cover breakages etc. Michelle will be the technical support.</p>	MF
<p>Finance: Kim working on last years accounts to set up more detailed balance sheets showing each portion to allow budgeting; portion leaders to email last years invoices. Once new system up and running balance sheets will be updated every month on googledrive. Kim will also have access to the bank account. Steve to stay on as treasurer with Kim as deputy and Richard advisor. Membership list to be reorganized alphabetically and to clarify subs paid and check standing orders, Kim and Beki to meet separately.</p>	BH/PW/ RA
<p>Fundraising: Set up Food processing day, defer Safari dinner/ picnic until next year. Blakeney Ball and Auction of Promises ?</p>	KS/BH
<p>Membership: No report</p>	
<p>Communication: Beki to email details of google account access and Whatsapp password</p>	BH
<p>Events: Food Processing day: date to be set for autumn, venue Blakeney Youth Club, Beki to check availability and make booking, which can then be advertised at the Duck Race.</p>	BH
<p>Minimum two people need food hygiene certificates, course is run online. Beki, Michelle, Rory and Becky expressed interest; Beki to circulate link to course, and this sub group set up to organise and invite interest from all members.</p>	BH
<p>AOB: carried forward Publicity: research sign makers for field gates at both sites</p>	ALL
<p>Date next open meetings: Agreed generally every 3rd Saturday of the month Saturday 23rd July 4pm @ Beki's</p>	