

BHG Open Meeting Notes 25.04.24

Distribution: To all members and posted on website

Present:

Beki, Rory, Richard & Deena, Kim, Pauline

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| <p>Matters Outstanding: Richard and Rory to meet on Friday to do a handover session then companies house to be notified Steve and Richard are stepping down, Kim, and Rory will be the new directors. Kim and Beki to meet and finalise Dirty Carrots accounts Beki needs to claim money back for course on rural facilitation. Also check membership subs Google drive - need to update permissions to ensure only authorised users can update. Folder structure also needs to be set up within google drive. Becky J/Rory to work with Pauline Smoothie bike - Beki to investigate whether Yorkley mend and repair would be interested in making a bike for the community. Cat to try the man who does up bikes for the hospice.</p> | <p>RD/RA</p> <p>KS/BH</p> <p>RD/BJ/PW</p> <p>BH/C</p> |
| <p>Finance: Rory volunteered to source a credit card Summup (or similar) for BHG When last year's accounts are finalised Richard can do Companies House return, Kim had a couple of questions. Agreed to meet to resolve. Some subs still outstanding also from last year, Kim and Beki to check through updated 2024 spreadsheet and let Pauline know to chase garden portion members who still owe. Agreed Kim to reorganize spreadsheets on google drive for clarity: to archive previous years so only current are visible Agreed to renew raffle licence</p> | <p>RD</p> <p>RA/KS</p> <p>BH/KS/PW</p> <p>KS</p> <p>KS</p> |
| <p>Communications and Marketing: Agreed to add Aims and Objectives to Chair's report: Knowledge sharing Community involvement Access to home grown produce/products Spreading the message on food and importance of where it comes from.</p> | <p>BH</p> |
| <p>Membership: membership list updated</p> | |
| <p>AGM: Preparation of annual report: drafts from Portion leaders to be with Beki by Sunday 12th May for collating Beki - overall chair's & goats Kim - finance Mark - bees Pauline/Tom – garden Event organization: All items for Promises raffle Rory to ask James for cider Beki to do G&T's Kim to do cakes Pizzas as oven may be ready Richard and Pauline to bring any plants ready</p> | |

Portion Updates:

Goats: still waiting for Lyra to kid, Luna was taken back to the billy for another try but jumped out after six hours so wait and see. Myrtle broke a back leg last Sunday, vet called out and put it in a cast for six weeks stall rest although she can be let into paddock for short spells on dry days.

Bees: 1 strong hive, 1 weak hive. Hives decimated by wasps at the end of last year, has been a problem for all beekeepers. Richard took one colony home to rescue, may be too close to return if it survives in which case another colony will need to be established.

Garden: new patch coming along really well potatoes beans and permanent bed planted, work started on clearing black plastic from the bank in preparation for sowing and planting self seeding herbs and wildflowers. Neighbours at Highcliffe want to repair topmost timber retaining structure on our side and put a strip of black sheet between it and their fence to keep weeds from coming through to their side, agreed but best if they become members to be covered under our insurance while working on our side of the boundary structure.

Very little left in the top garden. Shed, picnic tables and polytunnel have been removed and are being reinstated in new locations. **Final team work party 11th May at the top** to tidy the site and remove last items ready for handover, Pauline to check tenancy termination terms.

PW**Events / Fundraisers:**

AGM and Plant sale Saturday 2pm onwards 18th May Beki's garden

Beki to do flyer for posting in the village shop windows

BH

Blakeney school summer fete - 8th June, thoughts on anything we can do to get involved. Smoothie bike, cooking classes.

Apple and Pumpkin Day Saturday 19th October Blakeney Youth Club

BH

Carols with the goats and mince pies after Sunday 24th December

AOB:

Parish Council meeting 6.30pm Wednesday 22nd May Youth Club for presentation of BHG annual report, Beki has asked for anyone interested in going.

Feedback on Easter egg hunt: about 20 families came, new route within the village area was enjoyed. Suggested advertising 2 weeks ahead and in schools the week before they break up with dress code advising suitable footwear.

Dates next open meetings:

Date of next meeting:

Wednesday June 5th 2024 7pm venue tbc

Working Parties:

Goat field 8.30-10.30am Saturdays to be resumed through the winter

Veg Garden 10-12 Saturdays