

**BHG Open Meeting Notes 11.07.24**

Distribution: To all members and posted on website

**Present:**

Beki, Kim, Becky, Saara, Pauline

**Matters Outstanding:**

Google drive - need to update permissions to ensure only authorised users can update. Folder structure also needs to be set up within google drive.

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.

Richard and Rory have completed the change over with Companies House, Contact person to be sorted, agreed to be Beki, Becky to complete form

BJ

BH/CB

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**Finance:**

Some subs still outstanding also from last year, Kim and Beki to check through updated 2024 spreadsheet

Agreed Kim to reorganize spreadsheets on google drive for clarity: to archive previous years so only current are visible

Agreed to renew raffle licence

Monies from Easter Egg hunt on Zettle to be sorted; Becky to check Zettle/summup Kim not seeing income. Beki to check income from pumpkin day with Beth Fordham on youth club summup

Finance report attached

BH/KS

KS

BJ/BH

**Communications and Marketing:**

No report

**Membership:**

membership list update Beki to check against Pauline's email circulation

BH

**Portion Updates:**

Goats:

Myrtle and Nutmeg now settled at Rory and Becky's, Nutmeg to be ear tagged.

Fern, Luna, and Myrtle could go to AI in Dursley Becki interested in 'British Goat' strain – hardy and don't need so much pellet feed.

Lyra improving with milking, milking team doing well.

Post Facebook ad for anyone interested in joining the milking team.

Post Facebook, goat, and garden group re bracken and cider day 21<sup>st</sup> July 2pm onwards

BH

Bees:

(From previous meeting) Richard concerned bees have not thrived since moving to the new site, could be coincidental bad luck. Agreed bees are integral to the project, suggestion bee group meet separately to forward plan. Rory offered their field if the decision is to relocate the hives again.

Update: unfortunately the final hives have now failed, possible link to herbicides.

Bee group meeting needed

MM

Garden:

Staying on top of bracken, good turnouts regularly.

Lots of spuds harvested. Leeks and brassicas planted.

Compost relocated 2 pallet bays to be constructed. Water IBC container relocated, rainwater collection to be completed. Aim to erect small polytunnel before winter.

**Events / Fundraisers:**

**Apple and Pumpkin Day** Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October Blakeney Youth Club

Beki to book Hall, check if James can come with cider bar, or need licence?

Eric repairing fruit press

**Carols with the goats** and mince pies after Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December

**BH**

**AOB:**

Add Saara to Blakeney Growers Facebook admin

Kim to ask Penny about any funding available for employing fencing contractor to install new boundary fence with Paddock House

**BH**

**KS**

**Dates next open meetings:** agreed 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday evenings in the month as preferred

Date of next meeting:

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept 7.30pm venue tbc

Working Parties:

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

Veg Garden 10-12 Saturdays

**Bracken bashing and cider main field 21<sup>st</sup> July 2pm onwards**