

STONEBRIDGE ALLOTMENT SOCIETY

COMMITTEE MEETING 15th AUGUST 2016

The following are a few items of interest from the business meeting held on 15.8.16.

FAVERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL has set up FTC Allotment Management Group(FTCAMG) to liase with the council allotment sites. The members are Ted Wilcox, Ben Martin, Claire Belsom and Peter Flower, who will tour the sites shortly, before a formal meeting with the representatives of the main allotment sites.

NEW SECURITY FENCING AND GATES ALONG DAVINGTON AND BRENT HILLS a grant application to Bensted's Charity has been approved. Work is expected to proceed this autumn once planning approval has been received.

WORK PARTY SUNDAY 31ST JULY The work party was well supported. We split in to two teams to tackle separate waterways whilst the Friends of Westbrook concentrated on the stream by Flood Lane Green. Each team worked with a punt or boat on the water to access overhanging branches and assist the volunteers on land.



Thanks to Sally and Kieran Kerin, Bob Gomes, Stuart Harrison, Noel Perkins, Margaret Law, Angela Smith, Laurence Young, John Gould, Marion Ripley, Anya and Pauline from Brent Hill Cottages, Andy Freeman, plus the Westbrook Team.

NEXT WORK PARTY SUNDAY 21ST AUGUST from 10am to 12.30pm. This will concentrate on the former orchard area clearance. Ground cover and ivy overgrowing fallen trees will be removed and concentrated in piles ready for the October bonfire. Work parties are great fun and improve the site for a few hours work. Please join us if you can. If you are interested let me know and I will email more details near the time, but feel free to turn up on the day with shears, saws, rakes and barrows.

THE SEPTEMBER WORK PARTY WILL BE ON SUNDAY 18th from 10am to 12.30pm in the same area.

RENT NOTICES will be issued during the first week of September and will be hand delivered to ensure receipt. Rents will be due on 9th October, based on £3.50 per rod.

REPAIRS The bridge by the site store, where the decking had deteriorated, has been repaired. The defective ply has been removed and replaced to form a firm surface. Thanks to Jeff Twyman for collecting the materials and carrying out the majority of the work. We greatly appreciate his skills and his offer of assistance with similar tasks.

The three water tanks at the top of the site require overhaul, with two stopcocks to be replaced. Is there a volunteer with plumbing skills prepared to undertake the task.

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