

# STONEBRIDGE ALLOTMENT SOCIETY

## COMMITTEE MEETING 20<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017

The following are a few items of interest from the business meeting held on 20.3.17

**ORCHARD AREA** The new allotments have been let following the site strip and levelling carried out by Kevin Nugent over three days with a hired digger. This vital task, which included sealing the leaking stream bank, transformed the site so it can be put in to use. The work party on 19<sup>th</sup> March included the new tenants who, with the help of Sally Kerin, Andy Freeman, Bob Gomes, Noel Perkins, Faye Boldt, Marion Ripley and John Gould prepared and laid the new main paths.



**CLEAN UP FOR SUPERHEROES SAT 4<sup>TH</sup> AND SUN 5<sup>TH</sup> MARCH** The clean up was a great success, with over 80 bags of rubbish collected by Biffa on the following days. Thanks to Sally Kerin for organising and all those who collected during the weekend.

**WATER TANKS** Alan Pordage has been replacing defective valves for us. Will local tenants who use the tanks please clean them out before the water is turned back on.

**METAL ONLY** can still be deposited in the new disposal area at the end of the main drive ready for collection during the next three weeks, or until there is a full lorry load.

**NEXT WORK PARTY** The next work party will be for Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 10am to 12.30. We will be constructing the decking in the new allotments. All help will be welcomed on the day.

**PLANT SWAP AND PICNIC 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY** This will be an opportunity to meet up with fellow allotment holders, swap plants and dispose of surplus seedlings. They will not go to waste and will benefit others, especially the eight new allotment holders who joined us this month, so grow a few extra. Last years event was well attended and enjoyed by all.

**LONG BRIDGE** The design of the bridge has been approved and Swale are presently evaluating tenders for its installation. The work is expected to take place shortly.

**NEW FENCING** The fences and gates are expected to be completed in the next two weeks. New keys will be issued to local tenants when received.

**SWANS** The pair that have been cruising the ponds for the last month or so have constructed a nest on the north reach. Please ensure they are not disturbed.

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