



## Minutes for the Allotment Committee Meeting of Yeovil Without Parish Council held at Wyndham Park Community Hub on 23 October 24 at 7.00pm

Present – Kevin Brown, Michaela Brown, Daniella Brown, Iris Coton, Ruth Foster, Phil Hobbs, John Orchard and Paula Scriven.

In attendance - Barbara Appleby (Clerk)

Members of the Public – None

In the absence of the Chair, Kevin Brown was voted Chair for the meeting.

### AC 43/24 Apologies received.

Coline Rose and Courtney Stewart

### AC 44/24 Declaration of Interest

The following members declared personal interests as allotment tenants:

Kevin Brown, Michaela Brown, Daniella Brown, Ruth Foster, Phil Hobbs, John Orchard and Paula Scriven.

Kevin Brown and John Orchard members of YWPC – Personal

### AC 45/24 Allotment Committee Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 April 24 were **APPROVED** as a true record.

### AC 46/24 YMAS Meetings

The draft minutes of the YMAS meeting held on 8 June 24 were **NOTED**.

### AC 47/24 Allotment Site Update

- i. The Committee **NOTED** the allotment site update from the Clerk of YWPC.
- ii. It was **AGREED** that a request for soil testing the wildlife area would be referred to the Environment Committee, results would be shared with the adjacent landowners.
- iii. The Committee **NOTED** the offer for tenants to enter into a private agreement between another allotment holder to maintain their plots. It was confirmed that liability insurance was held by the provider of the works and that this was a private agreement between two parties, YMAS or YWPC had no involvement or responsibility for this service.
- iv. It was **AGREED** photos of areas that breached the allotment tenancy agreement would be sent to the clerk and tenants requested to bring the area up to standard.

v. YMAS – Thanks was given to Paula for her work providing the produce hub and is working well.

**AC 48/24 Allotment Improvements:**

**i. Wildlife Area and Allotments Area**

The committee **RESOVLED** expenditure up to £1,300 to purchase gates, posts, and fixings to replace the temporary gate that is currently in place between the existing allotment plots and the wildlife area, the expenditure includes incidental goods required to enhance the area.

ii. The committee **AGREED the** creation of 3 compost bins to provide tenants with compost, these will be self-built out of pallets, each bin would be at a different stage of decomposition.

iii. The committee **AGREED** the creation of bug hotels around the site, these would be made from pallets, stone etc, the existing woodpile would be removed and used to create dry walls sympathetic to the site.

iv. The committee **AGREED** the creation of a butterfly area and **RESOLVED** expenditure up to £300 for informative signage around the site and rustic seating for a reflective, quiet area.

**Meeting Closed 20:11**

Chair .....

Date .....