



Bishop's Waltham Gardening Club



Registered Charity No.
1169353

Minutes

Date: Monday 20 April 2026 at The Shed

Time: 7:30 pm

Present: Maewyn Cumming (MC)(Chair), Linda Haysom (LH), Kate Cassell (KC), Alison Perry (AP), Jo Toms (JT), Richard Shoesmith (RS), Jane Dilloway (JD), Philip Thwaites (PT), Gill Williams (GW), Pat Staples (PS), David Bushby (DB),

Please read minutes alongside Trustees written updates - attached.

Item	Minutes	Actions
1. Apologies for absence		
2. Minutes of previous meeting and actions arising	No change	
Actions list – Outstanding Actions from previous Meetings	• AP – to look at cost of Health and Safety/social media contracts – to do • AP - Chase Halls and Grounds committee for in writing confirmation of container approval. – change to MC • PT/RS to discuss container and surfacing area – to obtain 3 quotes – updated – see below • AP – speak to HCC about railway sleepers • MC to do Wisley trip • JD To look into defibrillator – Heartstart – BH Foundation – possibly free. • JD/DB/LH/MC to let JT know of renewal requirements for website - ongoing • AP – to update emergency contacts and trustees list – change to JD • All – please review budget allocations particularly if new or any large spends expected - done • All shop workers to check if buyers have vouchers to claim - ongoing • MC to raise lease term with PC - done • KC to update show committee/ catalogue. - done • All – to let JT know of any social media that needs doing. - ongoing • ?? – to progress signs for fencing/shed • MC to arrange trip to Titchfield GC for Nick Bailey talk in minibus. - done • JT to do plant sale social media posts (sale and donations) - done • PS still needs some vols for Fri pm - done • MC/LH to do prize draw for free Gardeners World live tickets. - done	

	To decide dates for BBQ and Social Evening	
3. Finance/ Finance Subcommittee	See LH's finance papers and written update. £38041.11, charity profit - £446, Trading profit £302.99. Agreed - BBQ and social – decision not to go ahead unless vol come forward -overseen by trustee – MC to send email to that effect Agreed - St Peters Church – MC to check if we can get a vol. to run session if no trustee/ vol decision is to donate raffle prize. Charity account is debited/credited for everything but things that have been bought for sale for the shop. Budget assignments – LH will send out budgets so people know what they are to spend. Agreed - BWIB planter = agreed to spend All - Provide list of vols to LH for vol event – end of Sept. LH/RH to organise. Personal invite to be sent to them. MC to speak to Ron Upfield about fridge donation. KC/MC to contact LM to ask about Veg Prep, show and taste Trips – 19th June for Nick Bailey talk at Titchfield. Wisley – late Aug – 15th MC to book with RHS AP to confirm offer from garden organic Revisions for budget – improvements mean likely to spend into our reserves reducing by significant amount to leave just £11k in reserves. Look into grants from external people eg. Veolia.	- MC to send email to members to ask for vols to run BBQ or Social or St Peters Church event - LH to send out revised budgets - All to send LH list of any vols so that they can be invited to Sept vol celebration event - MC to speak to Ron Upfield about fridge donation - MC to contact LM to ask about Veg Prep, show and taste
4. Trading	£2 bacon butties – after bank hols Changed shed key lock	
5. Allotments – maintenance /improvements –	Gates – issues with children accessing through gates – filling with green netting, Payback to complete seeding of drainage ditch. 3 Quotes received for surfacing – RS and PT to make which to take forward.	MC to chase PC about fence from tree and other tree
6. Site Improvements/ developments		
7. Allotments	Agreed - Sub-leasing – not allowed from this point on as this may circumvent the wait list. If anyone regularly working on the allotments should be a member.	

	Agreed - Tool sharpening – 2 dates – max 2 tools per person, club to pay but ask for donations, review following 1 st session.	
8. Membership		•
9. Press/Social Media	Website ongoing – comments to JT on look and design, Content to update if needed, Shop price list on website.	• All – send comments to JT on look and design of website • JT to put shop pricelist on website
10. Monthly programme		•
11. Plant Sale	Trustees confirmed to PS who would be in attendance. PS confirmed vol meeting for Sunday 26 th .	•
12. Annual Show	Show schedule to go on website – for crafting etc	• JT to put show schedule on website/promote on social media
13. Community/charity Programme		•
14. Social programme/ vol celebration event		•
15. Any other business	Weedkiller – not advised as promote organic gardening principles, Defib – guidance JD will look at.	• MC to include weedkiller issue in email to members

Meeting finished at 2125

Next meeting: Monday May 18th 2026 at The Shed 7.30pm Please send written updates to AP by May 11th using template.