

# **MINUTES of FAA EGM 25/11/2021**

# 1. AGENDA

- Minutes of Previous meeting.
- Election of officers and committee (one vacancy)
- Acceptance of 2020 accounts ( as circulated)
- Updated Constitution (as circulated)
- Chairs Update
- Mayor's Awards for Felixstowe in Flower
- Cheese & Wine
- Charity draw Table quiz

## 2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

There has not been a formal face to face AGM since 2019, an AGM by Zoom was held during 2020. Previous minutes are noted as accepted.

# 3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE (one vacancy)

Chairman - Nev Farthing Vote ran by Jeremy Pratt Proposed, Guy Pearce Seconded, Keith Horn

**Treasurer** - Guy Pierce Proposed, Trevor Mason Seconded, Ruth Le Breton

**Secretary** - Steve Brewer Proposed, Guy Pearce Seconded, Barry Southwell

#### **Balance of Committee**



Ray Martin Peter Farrow Keith Horn John Austin

Robin Farrow has stood down and Paul Filby agreed to stand Proposed, Alan Garnham Seconded, Mark Iley

Hugh May stood down as membership secretary earlier in the year and Claire Smith accepted the role.

Role to produce the newsletter has been filled, Peter Constable has kindly agreed to take on the role.

The Committee as above was agreed as above and will be in place until the 2022 AGM

## 4. ACCEPTANCE OF 2020 ACCOUNTS (as circulated)

2020 Accounts have been circulated in advance of the EGM and have been previously accepted. There were no questions.

## 5. UPDATED CONSTITUTION (as circulated)

The updated constitution was circulated in advance of the meeting and was accepted. The changes included FAA leaving the NSALG and stating that the balance of any FAA funds remaining in the event of FAA winding up would revert to FTC to be spent on allotments.

The planned Hut 39 replacement also required the constitution to be updated in order to apply for grant funding. It was noted that Hugh May had made a significant contribution in revising the document.

Acceptance was proposed by Guy Pierce and seconded by David Gledhill.

#### 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

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Nil

#### 7. CHAIRMAN'S Update

Neville thanked the outgoing chair Maurice for his time as chair, and likewise the changes in the committee including the standing down of both Hugh and Jeremy the former for his considerable help in drafting the newly agreed Constitution and the latter for his work on the Newsletter. Peter Constable, a new member, is now taking over the Newsletter. Neville thanked those who worked on the new Apple Orchard at Cowpasture, set up on four long unused plots with the financial help of the Town Council and a local benefactor and opened by the Mayor in August. The meeting were updated on the recent grants awarded for the purchase of a new meeting hut at Cowpasture close to the current shop. This exciting project is soon to start and will involve members in site clearance and erection of the new building in 2022. The internal fittings being funded from Association funds. A brief update was given on the fence now (finally) erected at Ferry Road by the developer Generator and also early dialogue with Persimmon homes for site access via a new gate on the NW corner at Cowpasture . Additionally, we have spoken about electricity to the site and access to a sewer. This leads naturally on to the portaloo trial at Cowpasture which was completed this month. Funding streams and future needs will be discussed with the Town Council at our next meeting but it was agreed that toilet facilities at all sites would be the ultimate aim.

#### 8. MAYOR'S AWARDS FOR FELIXSTOWE IN FLOWER.

The awards were handed out by the Mayor, Councillor Mark Jepson. Best Overall Allotment:

Claire Smith at Cowpasture

Best at Cowpasture:

**Bill Younger** 

(Mrs Sue Younger received the award on her husband's behalf)

Best Newcomer at Cowpasture:

Mike James

Neville closed the 2021 EGM by thanking the attendees, and will look at speakers for the winter meetings in 2022.

Neville wished everyone a happy Christmas; this was followed by Cheese and Wine together with a table top quiz and charity raffle organised and run by Jeremy and Angela Pratt.

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