

DRAFT MINUTES – Meopham and District Allotments Association (MDAA)	
Chair: David Aspinall	
Date	7 th June from 19:30 to 20:55
Venue	Zoom
Attendees	Rodney Buckland, David Aspinall, Robin Lee, Dom Sullivan

Item No.		Action
1	Welcome and Apologies Apologies were received from Mark Hill (MH) towards the end of the meeting although his 'Galaxy Tab A (2016)' persona made a guest appearance at the start. In the absence of MH, David Aspinall took the chair and it was agreed that in the absence of several committee members the agenda would be truncated. A dictionary of initials is provided as a footnote.	
2	Draft minutes of the AGM No material alterations were proposed by those present, but it was decided that those not present should be given the opportunity to propose alterations at the next meeting.	RB
3	Secretary's Report RB reported that interest has been expressed in half-plot lettings. It was agreed that this configuration should be made available by TL when suitable combinations of plot holders arise. RB reported that several water butts need replacing, and that additional ones would be welcome in certain locations. DS immediately found 200 litre metal butts on eBay for £28.50 – as an example of what is available. It was agreed that DS would continue searching for suitable products. RB presented his draft report to Meopham Parish Council. Since there were no comments, this would be sent to the Parish Clerk.	TL DS RB
4	Treasurer's Report DA asked for monthly water meter readings to continue.	RB

	RB will publish accounts for 2019-2020, 2020-21 and 2021-22 on the website in due course.	RB
5	AOB RB reported that a request had been received for a bee-friendly wildlife area be set up at the Nursing Home end of the allotment estate. This was welcomed by the committee and will be discussed at the next meeting. RB reported that <i>My Three Words</i> for the front gate would be published on notice boards and on the website. Given that the gate padlock is an 'FB1' (the Fire Brigade carry a key), a question was raised about whether the Ambulance Service would be similarly equipped. Noting that the 3-metre square grid of <i>My Three Words</i> meant that individual plots would have their own memorable locator. RB agreed to invite plot holders to determine their locator – an efficient way being to use the <i>What Three Words</i> app on a smartphone when on their plot.	RB RB RB RB
11	Next Meeting It was agreed that the next committee meeting would be held on Tuesday 28th June, a few days after the 2022 Weed Walk. RB will discuss the venue with MH – there being the possibility of a physical meeting replacing Zoom. The meeting was closed at 20:55	RB

Key:

DA David Aspinall
RB Rodney Buckland
MH Mark Hill
RL Robin Lee
LW Lindy Webster
TL Tadek Lapper
DS Dom Sullivan
EB Lizze Brooker