Harborne Hill Allotment's Committee Meeting Sunday 4th December 2022

Present were: - A.Garbutt (Hon Sec), T.Beach (Hon Treas), G. Adams, N Amos, A Chebil, D. Dennick, P.Jackson, and T.Wright. Apologies were received from J Cherrington, B Coles, S Coote, J Smith and A Thomson.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved, proposer G.Adams Seconder N Amos.

Secretary's Report – Rent collecting went well with a total of about £5,000, 3 nonpayers who will be chased by the Allotment Office and we have one vacant plot. At the Autumn meeting of the BDAC, the Birmingham and District Allotment Confederation the Chairman and the Secretary announced that they would be standing down at AGM to be held in April 2023.

The BBC recently filmed part of an episode of "Doctors" on Miklor's plot and that will be shown will be shown on 2nd Feb 2023. Tree problem – a branch of a London Plane tree fell and damaged a car in Yateley Road, this tree has been trimmed. A survey of all our trees will be completed next year. Bonfires – we had one complaint, the guy suggested that fires be lit on weekdays when fewer local residents are at home. Hens – 3 hens were killed presumably by a fox. Water – the water is now turned off for the Winter months.

Treasurer's Report – this was circulated and approved. It was agreed that money should be spent to employ Sean of Paloma Palms to trim our side of the hedge along Kingscote Road and Nursery Road. Brian Coles has offered to prepare the Balance Sheet for the 2022 Accounts.

Shop Report – the shop is well stocked, Seed Potatoes should be delivered at the end of January

Dispute Procedure - complaints have been received from two members, we are supposed to have a published "Dispute Procedure", one will be prepared and circulated for approval

Management Agreement – the Birmingham and District Allotment Confederation has put forward suggested amendments to the 2014 5 year Agreement most of which have been accepted by the Parks Department and now will be considered by the Council's Legal Department.

AOB nil

Date of next meeting Sunday 26th February 2023 at 1030hrs