

WIRRAL FEDERATION OF ALLOTMENT SOCIETIES

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Minutes of Committee Meeting Tuesday 11th October 2011

- 1 **Members Present** - Margaret, Rose, Nigel, Richard.
Apologies - Fabienne, Dave, Ron.
- 2 **Minutes of last meeting.** - These were not presented to the meeting, and will be considered at the next meeting.
- 3 **Committee.** - At the AGM in June the present committee was re-elected but there were no nominations received for Chair and Secretary of the committee. David Jones (Treasurer) subsequently resigned from the committee, leaving no officers. The committee agreed that the priority was to consolidate membership of the committee and appoint interim officers to enable it to function until the next AGM.

Guidance was sought from the constitution. It verifies that:

- "The committee may co-opt further members "
- "Officers of the committee will include a chairperson, secretary and treasurer".
- "the post of chairperson, secretary and treasurer can be filled by a committee member between annual general meetings by the agreement of the committee".

Therefore, in line with the constitution and to address the concerns of the committee, it was decided to co-opt two further members - Sylvia Cheater from Newton Park, and Glenn West from Thornton Allotments. Interim officers were proposed and agreed on: Chair - Sylvia; Secretary - Margaret; Treasurer - Ron.

It was agreed that all committee members would stand down at the next agm, when nominations would be invited from the members, for committee and officers.

- 4 **Membership of Federation** - There was agreement that the Federation should consider how it might be able to help those sites who don't currently have allotment societies. It was agreed to put an item on the agenda for wider discussion at the next general meeting and to open up the meeting to site secretaries.
- 5 **AOB** - Nigel asked if the Federation could request that the details of the allotment competition could be made clearer. In particular, could the Federation publish on its website the judging criteria, the dates for entry and the results. Rose will pass on the criteria and the dates, Margaret will ask for the results and put these on the Federation website.

- 6 Date of next meeting - TBA

*Following the meeting, a communication was circulated to committee members seeking views on whether the committee might like to co-opt a further one or two members if nominated at the general meeting. This was subsequently agreed on by committee members.