# **AGM MINUTES**

STAA AGM: THE HALF MOON, SHEET, 13th SEPTEMBER 2023, 19:30

#### 1. ATTENDING

Alison Bazley - Treasurer
Steve Elliott - Sheet Rep
Abi MacDonald-Grute - Trading Secretary
David Mogg - Membership Secretary and Webmaster
Andy Perrins - Secretary and Acting Chair for the AGM
David Petche - Tilmore Plot-Holder
Kate Wighton - Tilmore Rep

24 other members attended.

## 2. APOLOGIES

Margaret Davis - Chair

# 3. WELCOME FROM THE ACTING CHAIR

On Margaret's behalf, Andy welcomed all those attending.

## 4. MINUTES OF LAST AGM

The minutes were reviewed and accepted as correct.

## 5. SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

Kate awarded prizes.

## 6. CHAIR'S REPORT

On Margaret's behalf, Andy thanked the Half Moon for hosting meetings and went on to explain that the AGM was being held earlier than in previous years to ease the pressure on ordering seed potatoes.

The committee were thanked for their work over the year.

It was explained that the BBQ had been cancelled because of lack of support (perhaps because it would have clashed with the football).

# 7. TREASURER'S REPORT

Alison informed the meeting that the Association currently has £1538.67 in the bank - £2 up on this time last year. She explained that she is looking to relocate the account to a bank that can provide a service better aligned to our needs.

## 8. TRADING SHED REPORT

Abi urged members to make greater use of the shed. She reported that roughly £1400 had been spent on stock and £1500 taken.

## 9. MEMBERSHIP REPORT

David M. reported that the Association currently has 47 members. He went on to highlight some features of the website and explained the process for ordering seeds from Kings.

# 10. COMMITTEE POSITIONS FOR 2023-24

Abi MacDonald-Grute stood down as Trading Secretary.

The other committee members resigned and were re-elected as follows:

Alison Bazley - Treasurer

Steve Elliott - Sheet Rep

David Mogg - Membership Secretary and Webmaster

Andy Perrins - Secretary

David Petche - Tilmore Plot-Holder

Kate Wighton - Tilmore Rep

Andy asked if any other members would like to stand for election to the committee. There was a long silence while we watched the tumbleweed roll by.

## 11. COMPETITION AWARDS

Steve and David P. awarded prizes.

#### 12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Members raised the following:

The "triangle" at Tilmore and the possibility of planting trees on it.

The inspection and warning letter policy for Tilmore.

Unlet plots at Tilmore.

A buddy system to encourage new plot-holders and support those in difficulty.

The supply of scalpings to fill holes in the tracks.

Hose adaptors.

Water pressure.

There was some lively but not very productive discussion of these topics, which will be considered in more detail at the next committee meeting Tuesday 17th October.

The meeting ended at 20:40.