

CROMARTY ALLOTMENTS AND GARDENS SOCIETY

AGENDA OF 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT 4 BARKLY STREET, CROMARTY, ON WEDNESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2014 AT 6.30 PM.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Craig Fraser, Marjorie Paterson, John Keiller.

2. MINUTES OF 2013 AGM - proposed John Wood, seconded by Jane Clunas.

3. REPORTS:

A. Chair - summary of years progress

B. Secretary - summary of years communications and memberships

C. Treasurer - summary of financial status to be confirmed at next meeting. Banking access still to be organised between John Keiller and John Wood.

4. MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION RATE 2014-15 - It was agreed to continue with this at £5 per annum.

5. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - Chair and Secretary stepped down. Vote of thanks for Colin and Barbel proposed by John Wood.

Barbel Dister as Chair proposed by John Wood and seconded by Jane Clunas. Colin Dunn proposed as Secretary by Ross Couper, seconded by Maggie Dive. Officers duly elected. John Keiller, only recently taking over as treasurer, to continue in that role until next AGM.

6. DATE TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT AGM - It was decided that future AGMs and quarterly meetings should take place on Thursdays instead of Wednesdays as some committee members find Wednesday impossible. 2015 AG will therefore be at 6.30pm on Thursday 17th at 4 Barkly Street, Cromarty.

7. ANY OTHER AGM BUSINESS - none.

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AGENDA OF QUARTERLY MEETING - SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2014

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Craig Fraser, Marjorie Paterson, John Keiller.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: - Proposed by John Wood, seconded by Jane Clunas.

3. MEMBERSHIP: new members Alistair Grieve and Sophie Graham, (both now on plot waiting list). One small plot appears not to be used. Secretary to ask plot-holder if they wish to continue.

4. ALLOTMENTS:

- Old Tennis Courts tidying

It was noted that some of the paths and the area near the entrance is becoming quite weedy. Secretary to email all plot-holders to ask each to help maintain communal areas and ensure paths are safe.

- Forsyth House Beds:

2014 plantings and barking has proved very successful. However, it was agreed that there will need to be an Autumn clean-up day - Sunday 12th October at 2pm. Secretary to email all members to volunteer.

Depending on state of finances, John Wood suggested purchasing and planting bulbs for the Spring, and maybe adding some varieties of herbs.

John Wood suggested having a brief flyer prepared to explain the background of the beds' regeneration and CAGS contribution, with these available in the Emporium and Post Office.

John Wood will contact Cromarty District Council to clarify their agreed annual contribution to bed maintenance costs, which appears to have been stopped.

5. COURTHOUSE ORCHARD - Another successful season as a flower meadow. Secretary to undertake autumn scything at start of October.

6. DATE, TIME AND VENUE for next meeting thursday 20th

November, 7.00pm at 4 Barkly Street.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

John Wood suggested that we should consider having more non-allotment events in future, such as apple tasting, gardening competition, etc, now that the allotments themselves are running smoothly.