

## Alers Road Leisure Gardens Association Committee Notes - 31 January 2021

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*Again due to the Corvid 19 situation the Committee Meeting planned for January 2021 didn't go ahead.*

*The Chairman and Secretary discussed the Association's situation. The notes below reflect this discussion.*

Min	Item
<b>1.0</b>	<b>GENERAL SITUATION RE: COVID 19</b>
	The site is still operating much as normal with Social Distancing at two metres in operation. Attendance at site has been sparse probably due to the inclement weather
<b>2.0</b>	<b>UPDATE ON NOTES OF 22 NOVEMBER 2020</b>
	Re the tree in the garden of 61 Danson Road, the council have replied that they can take no action but confirmed the resident was fully responsible for any damaged caused. They urged him to get the tree professionally inspected. The Council's reply was forwarded to the resident, but no further communication has been received from him.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>TREASURER'S REPORT</b>
	The accounts for 2020 have been completed and are currently with the auditor. They are much as predicted in the 22 Nov notes, the final deficit being £6.7K. As previously discussed this deficit isn't a problem and the Association is in a strong financial position.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>PLOTS REPORT</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a waiting list of 10, with an additional three waiting for specific plots.</li> <li>• Cultivation Surveys will recommence in March. There are concerns about a number of plots that appear to be uncultivated. The Council has been contacted and has confirmed that the Covid 19 situation is not an excuse for non-cultivation. This will be emphasised in the next Newsletter.</li> </ul>
<b>5.0</b>	<b>SITE REPORT</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work has been undertaken on the eastern fairway, with more Type 1 being purchased and spread to reinforce the 'tracks' where cars have been grounding on the central area. We will continue this work as necessary.</li> <li>• All water tanks have been emptied and inspected. It was found that nine tanks have damage, but are not leaking. We have taken one tank and deep cleaned it, then sprayed with a 'Sealant'. Although this won't repair any damage, it is hoped that it will stop any further damage and ensure the tanks will continue to be used leak-free.</li> </ul>

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	<p>This appears to have been successful, and we will now embark on a programme to treat all tanks in this way. In addition we will attempt to repair the leaking tanks with 'Metal Putty'. We will need to replace at least one tank, and it has been suggested that we purchase a larger tank and install this at the top of the site that suffers from slow refill. However tanks of any size are not available currently so an interim solution may be needed.</p>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>MACHINERY</b>
	<p>The ride-on mower and the roller mower have gone for service.</p>
<b>7.0</b>	<b>WEBSITE</b>
	<p>Enquiries for plots still being received.</p> <p>Once again may I ask that ploholders provide material to add to the Website to encourage ploholders to view regularly.</p>
<b>8.0</b>	<b>FEDERATION</b>
	<p>Still no meetings held. On contacting the Federation's Chairman he said they were trying to organise a 'Virtual' meeting in January/February, but the Council were not responding to their correspondence.</p>
<b>9.0</b>	<b>SECRETARY'S ROLE</b>
	<p>I'm pleased to announce that Debra Collins has agreed to take over the role of Secretary. As we are unlikely to be able to hold an AGM in March/April I suggest that the Committee members co-opt Debra as Secretary, this to be verified when we do hold the next AGM. Any Committee member who disagrees with this action should lodge their views with the Chairman within a week of receiving this document. However I'm sure this will be a formality. A hand over of the tasks is in progress, and the official handover and a date when it will become effective will be announced in a special Newsletter. I'm sure we all would like to thank Debra for taking on this role and be prepared to give her our full support. Debra's husband, Richard, has agreed to join the Committee and he will be co-opted at the first opportunity.</p>
<b>10.0</b>	<b>ASSOCIATION'S EMAIL</b>
	<p>As previously discussed, John Harrison has been asked to create new email accounts using the facilities and the domain within the Website system. Four are required: Chairman; Secretary; Treasurer; Site Coordinator.</p>