

FILTON COMMUNITY GARDEN

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Minutes: Saturday 6 July 2019

1. **Attendees:** Dave Mikkelson, Anne Kenyon, Helen Johnson, Janet Hillier, Peter Sellek, Jackie Burton, Mike Waines, Beryl Brand, Sylvia Mikkelson, Betty Elsdon, Brian Smith, Pat Smith
2. **Apologies:** Annemarie Gäbler, Susan Isherwood
3. **Minutes of previous meeting 08/06/2019** were approved

4. **Matters arising not on the Agenda**

Community beds

This year some beds have been given up as either cannot get students up to garden or are difficult to manage. So we have three spare (SGS x 2, and the Scouts x 1). Beryl suggested offering to people to use for veg as there is a waiting list for allotments, or for people with no gardens. Jackie and Betty will manage the bed nearest the living wall. Pat offered lettuce and tomato plants. We will approach other groups and individuals at the Fete if they would like to take up the other two. General feeling is that they should be tidied up a bit for the IYN assessment and Summer Fete.

5. **Tennis Court Path**

Dave contacted builders as worried that the materials (posts) delivered a while ago may get pilfered. They are aiming to start work soon, maybe even w/c 8 July.

6. **Filton Saplings**

Continues to be well attended by a core of parents/children from both Charborough Road and Shield Road Schools. They are very enthusiastic. While HJ is away during July, Emily will join Louise in running final two sessions this term.

Adult Meet up and Garden sessions have not yet attracted more volunteers, but has been advertised in surgeries and listings so we hope to have more as we go on. Pat will be leading the sessions on 8th, 15th and 22nd July and HJ asked people to support her. Thanks also to Peter and Janet who have been to and supported every session.

7. Summer fete

Organisation and bookings in place:

- Karate club - to do teas
- Cakes - Annemarie will collect ingredients from Asda and bake cakes
- Plant stall - Sylv and Betty have plants ready
- Raffle - Brian is collecting around 20-25 prizes.
- Air Ambulance knitted toys - will be run by Gill Peake
- Tractor rides - Peter is ready and will be there
- Punch and judy is booked
- Hook a duck - will be run by Beryl
- Treasure Hunt - by FACE along with other activities
- Grass heads or seedball making by Saplings run by Louise next to FACE
- Crepes by Twinning also a couple of game activities.
- Garden games spread out on grass - Dave and Sylv will set up
- Garden ornaments (Jacky's sister) all agreed for her to have stall and donate to the garden, a charity or raffle prize.
- Tables and chairs - Dave to ask Lesley (Clerk)
- Gazebos: Pat to bring Ray's and own, Dave to bring one for plants, the big one and another to give shade/shelter
- Signage - Mike has made some lovely signs to string across the gazebos 'CAKES', 'PLANTS' and 'RAFFLE'
- Advertising - already well advertised. More posters distributed at meeting.
- Timings - Dave will be there from 8am others to come from 10am for start at 12 noon.

8. Work to do in the garden

Tidy-up, deadheading, weeding in readiness for assessment and fete.

9. A.O.B

HJ has contacted Jane Stevenson Bristol Food Network who organise a trail of community gardens throughout Bristol (including some South Glos such as Patchway Community Garden). We will be contacted next year to participate - the commitment would be to open for a min of 2 staffed hours, distribute 200 leaflets in your area, publicise our opening as part of the Trail - and have public liability insurance. Meanwhile our details are being entered on the Get Growing map:

<https://www.bristolfoodnetwork.org/get-growing-map/>

10. Date of next meeting: August 10th 2019

Dates for diary July and August:

Mon 8 July 13:30 - 15:00	Let's meet up and garden (pre filton festival week)
Sun 14 July 12:00 - 17:00	Filton Festival
Mon 15 July 13:30 - 15:00	Let's meet up and garden
Wed 17 July 13:00 - 13:30	IYN assessment by Guy Rawlinson
Sun 21 July 12:00 - 16:00	Filton Community Garden Summer Fete
Tue 23 July 14:00 - 16:00	Northville Family Practice closure consultation at Leisure Centre (led by Clinical Commissioning Group)
Mon 5 August 13:30 - 15:00	Let's meet up and garden
Tue 6 August 14:00 - 15:30	Northville Family Practice closure consultation at Leisure Centre (led by Clinical Commissioning Group)
Sat 10 August 10:00 - 12:00	Community Garden meeting (Clerk's office)
Mon 19 August 13:30 - 15:00	Let's meet up and garden