Leytonstone Allotment Holders Co-Operative Association Ltd

(Leytonstone Allotment Holders Association)

Minutes of Committee Meeting held at the Quaker Meeting House, Bush Road, E11
Monday 13th April 2026 @ 7.30pm

The meeting commenced at 7.40 pm
ATTENDING : Brian Kavanagh (Chair), Simon Dicey (Treasurer), Linda Kavanagh (Secretary), Ugo Norcaro, David Jump, Neil Sinden, Noemie Kybett.
.APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: John Spears (Lease Trustee), Gertrud Moghal, Sharron Wright.

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting
The minutes of the committee meeting of 16/3/26 were unanimously agreed and duly signed.
2. Chair's Business & Site Issues
Plot inspections
An inspection of all plots had been made on 11/3/26 and the results circulated to committee members in advance of the meeting. After discussion of each plot reported, the following actions were agreed :
7 plots would be sent a 1st letter and 6 plots would be sent a 28 day warning due to ongoing non-cultivation issues. 28 day warnings would also be sent to 2 new plotholders who had failed to cultivate and a notice of termination would be sent to one new plotholder for the same reason
Site Maintenance & projects
It was agreed that a skip would be obtained in May to clear as much of plots 90a and 62 as possible. A certain amount of rubbish on plot 59b would need checking. The priority would be plot 90a as it was in the worst state. The Secretary would send out an email reinforcing the rules around rubbish at site and making particular reference to tyres never being a suitable item to use at site. Members would also be informed that skips for general use were definitely not going to be continued and the reasons why.
A number of plots had been identified as having levels of rubbish building up that needed action and would be contacted about this.. It was noted that two plots had inherited rubbish that they had not availed themselves of prior help to remove. Some plots were noted to have amounts of clutter that might need action if the plotholders ever gave up in future. The accumulated rubbish and non-horticultural items on three particular plots were discussed as presenting a considerable potential future removal cost.
RHS outing proposal
No members had expressed interest in the alternative visit format and it was decided not to proceed further on this in future.
4. Treasurer's Report
A report covering the period since the last meeting had been circulated in advance of the meeting.
There were no questions or queries arising.
5. Secretary's report
A written report had been circulated prior to the meeting.
Two instances of encroachment into paths had 6b had been applied for, both of which were approved.
Four plots were vacant and ready to let, three plots needed rubbish clearance, and two plots were overgrown and difficult. The waiting list stood at 57.
6. Any Other Business.
It was agreed to include a request for seed packet donations in addition for the plant sale. The Chair was waiting for the skip to be delivered before sorting out the asbestos bags as other rubbish had been mixed in.
7. Date of Next Meeting.
Monday 11th May 2026, at the Quaker Meeting House, 7.30pm

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.