DUNKELD AND BIRNAM @THE FIELD TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES OF THE MEETING TUESDAY 18th June 2019 The field, Dunkeld

The meeting commenced with a walk round the field followed by a meeting in the polytunnel

- 1. PRESENT: John Small, Dave Roberts, Dave Amos, Maddy Hand, Jim Cockburn, David Bee, Robert Gunn, Elspeth Baillie, Sarah Davidson, Raymond Simpson
- 2. APOLOGIES: Linda Simpson, Sandy Howe
- 3. MATTERS FROM LAST MEETING 30th April 2019 Agreed as a correct record

4. MEMBERSHIP;

Dave Amos gave an update and membership is now standing at 95. Dave Roberts and Dave Amos to meet to update the membership list.

5. FINANCIAL POSITION

Jim: gave an update. At the 15 May, the balance was £14,532.98. Expenditure £4093 income £2919.

£1134.70p donation for Liam's memorial bench. Dave Roberts gave an update on progress.

Coop membership donations Dave Roberts to send a note to membership asking those who are Coop members to record donations to the field.

The go-ahead was given for the banner that Maddy had designed and Dave R to give a lift to Maddy to Danscot to order 2 banners.

6. ADMINISTRATION ISSUES.

- Safeguarding no updates.
- Notifiable events. Dave gave an update on an accident, which had happened that morning when seven children visited from Inchview School. A child had fallen against a stake in the polytunnel and grazed his side. The teacher and Dave cleaned the wound and put a plaster on it.
- Communication standards. John Small requested that all communications to be in Word or PDF, so information can be uploaded to the website.
- Living Legacy film Dave Roberts gave an update and agreed to contact the family about their possible involvement in the film.
- 10th anniversary of the field. It was agreed that we should explore a booklet or exhibition in the archive and find some way of commemorating Griselda if her family so desired.
- Date for the Summerfest: Sunday, 1 September. It was agreed that next meeting we look at the arrangements for this day
- Harvest supper Friday, November 1. It was agreed that Dave would explore possible chefs for the day, including Maria Olah

- **The Orchard**. It was noted that there was leaf damage on most trees. Possible actions include looking at on Google and ignoring completely.
- **Fruit Gage**. Anything is looking very healthy and the weeds are under control. An excellent job was been done by everybody
- . **Compost bins.** Continue to fill number 6 and remove the brassica stalks from the floor.
- **Plot 1** The priority is to get leaks in. Onions are going well and the fennel should be put in at the top end near the orchard. Some weeding is required. At the south end of the plot it is necessary to remove the tatties and to put in some green manure.
- **Plot 2**. At the south end the rogue Tatties need to come out. French beans and other beans to be sown where the lines had been laid out.
- **Plot 3**. The south end of the brassica bed needs to be rotavated. The climbing beans frameworks to be extended and it was noted that the membranes coming on Thursday. Planting the brassica there should be under sowing of the tall ones and low brassicas e.g. should be planted through membrane.
- **Plot 4**. Early potatoes doing well. However the swedes are not coming up and we will give them another week before resowing. Michael has done an excellent job weeding between the potatoes.
- **Plot 5**. The green Manure is doing well is doing well.
- **Plot 7.** No Dig beds Doing well there are six beds of carrots and there are two beds of parsnips and more to do. The weeding to be done ASAP. The Beetroot and spinach are doing well and spinach is nearly ready to pick.
- **The wild hedge** is looking good but we need to have a debate about whether we layer it or trim it. We can leave a decision until the autumn. The nettles at the end of hedge need to be trimmed.
- **The composting** from the toilet needs to be urinated on in the bin.
- The herb garden is doing well and Jane has done very good job.

8. KITCHEN GARDEN

- The toad flex is doing well. However we must get a weeding programme in place for all the beds in the garden
- . There is more lettuce on the Polytunnel to be planted out. We must pick the radishes. The carrots and the spring onions are also doing well.
- However it was noted that the fresh manure had caused problems for the potatoes and broad beans on Jim Sutton's patch
- 9. Polytunnel. Both are doing well and the automatic watering system seems to be working well

10, Website

John has been updating

11. AOCB

- Earthworms. A discussion about whether or not they are on the decrease and what if so, is there anything we should do about it.
- Daffodils Raymond is going to see if any are available
- Canoe John Gilruth was given permission to store a canoe in the field for 2 weeks.
- There was a further discussion about the 10th anniversary. It was agreed that we should at least write out the story and see Jamie Jauncey could help us.

12 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING