

**Oakwood horticultural Society**  
**Committee meeting minutes 17/9/2023**

**Present:**

- Martin Smith (chair)
- Roy Chasmar
- Antonio Cosco
- Carla Pacheco
- Bob Norris
- Mike Wortley
- Chris Skilbeck (minutes)

Item	Notes
Apologies for Absence	Hannah Huang & Vince Dipierro
Minutes	The minutes were approved There are a number of outstanding pieces of work, Martin Smith proposed a progress chart, Chris Skilbeck to create an initial draft
Future of the society	Martin led a conversation on the future of running the trading shed <b>Action: Chris Skilbeck, Antonio Cosco and Roy Chasmar to meet and discuss shed financial management looking at alternative approaches to accounting.</b> <b>Agreed to keep options on the table.</b> <b>Action: Bob Norris to talk to John Gibb regarding if he or his wife can offer any financial support.</b> An aim is to simplify the role and the stock levels.
Plot holder issue	Martin Smith gave the background of the issue. Discussions have taken place with the council on the long running issues with plot holders. A meeting is now arranged for 28/9. The council has in the meantime looked to close the issue before the meeting. It was agreed that Martin would insist on the meeting and raise issues around why the decision making and the relationships between the council and its site manager.
Shed supplier	The current company has stopped trading. Options are being considered as to how to get stock moving forward <b>Action: Bob and Chas to talk regarding a potato order and the options for long term supply – to be discussed at the next meeting.</b>

Any Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Seating area, council meeting and lockers to go on the next agenda</li><li>• Carla is happy to manage the seed orders moving forward</li><li>• Next meeting – preferably second week of October.</li></ul>
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