

CGAS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 6 Oct. 10. 8pm. MINUTES

Present 21 members **Chair.** R. Stokoe

1. **Minutes** of previous AGM 7.10.09 accepted.
2. **Matters Arising.** Para 8. Mr Spencer has left the Society and we cannot take this proposal forward at this time.
3. **Elections.** With the exception of Mrs Fisher who has stood down as Secretary the present Committee was re-elected en bloc. There being no applicant for Secretary the post remains unfilled. Minutes of meetings would be made available to members on the CGAS website rather than by hard copy.
4. **Chairman's Report.** Mr Stokoe put on record his appreciation of Mrs Fisher's excellent service as Secretary for the past eight years which had been a particularly busy period. He also thanked the current Committee for their efforts in the self-management of the site. A decision on the development application was still awaited.
Treasurer's Report. Mr Stretton produced the Income & Expenditure Account & Balance Sheet explaining each line and inviting questions from members. The loss for the year of £146 was due in the main to much higher water charges-see below. Although the Committee had not raised rents this year a rent review may be necessary next year. The Accounts were accepted by the meeting.
6. **Allotment Officer's Report.** Mr Springthorpe reported a most satisfactory position with all plots let and a waiting list of 19.
7. **Webmaster's Report.** Mr Heaton has taken steps to prevent the appearance of unwelcome messages. The Chairmen thanked Mr Heaton for continuing to provide an excellent site- the video coverage of the annual show was impressive. **Newsletter Editor.** Mrs Richmond has stood down as Editor and was thanked by the Chairman for transforming the Newsletter into such a readable and enjoyable document. Ms Donovan is the new Editor.
9. **AOB. Water.** A full discussion took place on the huge increase in water costs due either to 24/7 availability or a dry summer. It was decided to continue with 24/7 availability in 2011 but the Committee would monitor the situation. Members will be encouraged to harvest water from sheds and greenhouses and to water with care.
10. Mrs Childs won a year's free plot rental in the free raffle for those attending.
11. Mr Stokoe thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

