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**Open Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday 19th June 2025, 7.00pm**

**Hesketh Bank Community Centre**

**Present: Jenni Smitton (Chair), Rob Yates (Treasurer), Angela Bond (Secretary), Steve Kirby, John Glover, Carol Wellings, Melanie Burns and June Jordan**

Robert (Plot 1), Marcia (Plot 54), Barbara & Andrew (Plot 61), Viv (Plot 2), Paul (Plot 20), Robert (Plot 39), Jack (Plot 4), Janet (Plot 44), Sue & Fred (Plot 37), Eileen (PT), Brian (Plot 28), Darren (Plot 50), Steve & Chrissie (Plot 36), Rachel & Colin (Plot 59), Rebecca Wilson (Plot 32), Brian & Jayne (Plot 21), Ash (Plot 26) and Phil (Plot 60)

1. **Apologies:** Dean, Duncan & Heather, Kevin & Ann, Andrew & Debbie, Andrew, Barry.
2. Points 2, 3 and 4 covered in AGM Minutes

**5. Membership Secretary’s Report**

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| **Hesketh Bank** | **10** |
| **Others** | **1** |

1. **Green Community Hub – Steve**

Steve gave a brief history of the background of the development of the Allotment and Community Gardens. Groundworks were involved and he hopes to establish links with them to enhance and encourage the community usage of the site.

1. **Bees**

There are rats in the bee shed which will need removing before it can be used.

Dave is working with Ben and is offering training.

1. **Events**

Scarecrow Competition – 28th June

Mikron – July 6th

Summer Show – 30th August

Quiz Night – 26th September

1. **AOB**

One of our members approached a man who had three dogs off lead, playing in the community area. She approached him and he became threatening and abusive. This is not acceptable. Plot holders have a right to approach those breaking this basic rule. Dog fouling is becoming a problem again despite providing bags on site. Further discussion needed.

Security on site was raised. Several plot holders have reported plants and produce being taken from their plots. This will be raised again at the next committee meeting.

Date of next Meeting - Thursday 8th May 2025 - Hesketh Bank Community Centre - 7pm