

TIB Meeting 11th March 2025

Present: 10 Members, Councillor David Barritt

Apologies: Apologies were received from 6 members

Welcome: Bev welcomed everyone to the meeting

Study Action Plan and consider its success

- Create own composting area at the allotment

This is well underway, 3 bays have been created. Alistair McDonald has donated some chicken manure to add to the compost bins.

- Church water butt

Deferred to next meeting

- New large gas bottle to be purchased for use in the poly tunnel

Bev thanked Councillor Barritt for sourcing the bottle and arranging delivery

- Information notes to members to be added to the whiteboard in the poly tunnel

This has been implemented. A rota to be arranged for watering in the poly tunnel

- Plants to be spaced within the poly tunnel to prevent infection

Implemented

- All plant pots and trays to be cleaned and sanitised with a white vinegar solution

Implemented

- Plan routine care and preservation of barrels and muckspreader

Councillor Barritt to paint the muckspreader

- Volunteers to work in groups or pairs whenever possible on Tuesday morning

Implemented

- Provision to be made to work on different days if possible

Implemented

- Liz to follow up the inclusion of a green roof for the new fuel shed

Could be expensive to implement, it was suggested that we seek some money from the Trawden Forest Community fund.

Suggested Summer Planting 2025

Bev presented the areas for planting to the members. If anyone expresses a wish to change anything please contact her. All orders for plants to be with Bev by the end of March.

Great British litter pick Saturday 29th March 10 Am at the Community Centre

Bev reminded everyone of the date and time and asked that volunteers must register their interest for insurance purposes.

Ideas or requests for planting at the allotment

The following were suggested:

- Marigolds for the veg bed
- Salad plants
- Garlic

Lilies have already been planted to sell in the village shop

Donations of a Blackcurrant bush and a Budjela have been received.

Any other business

- A new barrel is needed at Old Chelsea
- Shedders to take on some jobs eg painting, unused beds around the village eg Young bloomers by the surgery
- Michael to liaise and be our link to the Shedders
- Raz will leave some gardening books in the polytunnel for anyone who wishes to borrow them. When borrowing, members to use the white board to say which book they are taking
- Our own garden waste can be put into the compost bays but please no twigs or wood
- Councillor Barritt spoke to Bev reference Councillor Osborne's enquiry regarding hi-vis jackets and to note that Len has obtained a trolley to move the new gas bottle.