

BALDOCK ALLOTMENT AND LEISURE GARDENERS ASSOCIATION

Dear Member

I had hoped to update you in more detail on the improvement plans for North Road site utilising the grants of £11,800 awarded to us but we still await decisions from NHDC after almost a year of talking on some important aspects of the work. Hence the delay in sending this letter. We now have another meeting arranged for 16th December with NHDC Officers and Councillors when we hope we shall reach agreement but that outcome is by no means certain.

This and several other important issues are on the Agenda for our AGM when we hope to be in a position to more fully update members. So, as you will gather, this is to be a particularly important meeting and I do urge you all to attend if you are able. We shall also present vouchers and the Basil Bryant cup to the winners of the Best Kept Allotment competition which is yet another item on the Agenda as we decide how it may be better managed in the future.

The AGM will take place at 7.30pm on Monday 18th January 2010 at Avenue Park Pavilion, West Avenue, Baldock where there is a licensed bar. The Committee have worked very hard this year to benefit our Association which has grown significantly to 139 members – up from 87 just two years ago. Please come and show your support and let us have your views – it is your Association.

Just a big thank you to all 49 members who submitted seed orders resulting in a collated order for over £800 before the qualifying 7.5% discount to you and the 10% to our Association is deducted. Well done, we still await delivery which should be any day now. If you missed the order another will be submitted, subject to demand, after the AGM.

Don't forget seed potatoes and onion sets etc will be on sale Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th February 2010 from 10am to 12 noon, weather permitting. Come early to avoid disappointment. The shop reopens for all stock on Sunday 14th February and each Sunday from 10am to 12 noon until early October.

It remains for me to wish you all a very Happy Christmas on behalf of your Committee and we look forward to another good and productive year of gardening in 2010.

Mick Camp
Chairman

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD AT 7.30PM MONDAY 18TH JANUARY 2010 AT AVENUE PARK PAVILION WEST AVENUE BALDOCK

AGENDA

1. WELCOME AND PRESENTATION TO WINNERS OF BEST KEPT ALLOTMENT COMPETITION
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
3. MINUTES OF LAST AGM
4. MATTERS ARISING
5. TRADING SECRETARY'S REPORT
6. TREASURER'S REPORT
7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
8. UPDATE ON WORK TO IMPROVE NORTH ROAD SITE AND BRING MORE PLOTS INTO USE
9. BEST KEPT ALLOTMENT COMPETITION – THE FUTURE
10. SECURITY OF SHEDS – A PROPOSAL FOR A COMMUNAL LOCK UP FACILITY
11. COMMUNICATION WITH, AND SUPPLY OF PLOTHOLDER DETAILS BY, NHDC
12. AOB
13. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
14. ELECTION OF GENERAL COMMITTEE
15. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR OF ACCOUNTS
16. DATE OF NEXT AGM