



**KELMSCOTT COMMUNITY GARDEN (INC)
Annual General Meeting
MINUTES OF MEETING**

**Saturday 19th October 2020
At Kelmscott Community Garden
55 River Rd Kelmscott**

MEETING OPENED 2.15pm

Present: Jo Harris; Beth Cole; Barry Combs; Jacinta Rawlinson; Dianne Bateman; Carol Vandersluys; Sue Cossardeaux; George Atkinson; Silvia Atkinson; Karen Regan.

1. Welcome & Apologies

The Chair, Jo Harris, welcomed everyone to the AGM and thanked everyone for their attendance.

We would like to acknowledge this land that we meet on today is the traditional lands of the Whadjuk people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their country.

The following apologies were received: Tessa Millesse; Liz Bussell; Tod Harris.

2. Acceptance of minutes of previous Annual General Meeting 07 September 2019

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Chair. Moved by Dianne Bateman that they be accepted as a true and correct record of proceedings. Seconded by Sue Cossardeaux.

Passed unanimously.

4. Chairperson Report

The Chairperson's report was read by the Chair, see attached.

Moved by Sue Cossardeaux to accept the report. Seconded by Dianne Bateman.

Passed unanimously.

5. Annual Report

No annual report was presented.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report - read by the Chair, see attached.

Moved by Silvia Atkinson to accept the report. Seconded by Carol Vandersluys.

Passed unanimously.

7. Election of Committee

The election of a new committee followed:

Chairperson

No nominations received. Call for nominations from the floor. Jo Harris Nominated by George Atkinson. Elected unopposed.

Vice Chairperson

No nominations received. Call for nominations from the floor. Dianne Bateman volunteered. Elected unopposed.

Secretary

No nominations received. Call for nominations from the floor. Jacinta Rawlinson volunteered. Elected unopposed. (Note Secretary assistance from 1st committee member Anne Fraser)

Treasurer

1 nomination received prior to AGM – Liz Bussell volunteered. Elected unopposed.

General committee members (4)

No nominations received. Call from the floor for nominations for all vacant general committee positions. Four nominations were received from the floor.

1. Anne Fraser. Nominated by self. Elected unopposed.
2. Sue Cossardeaux. Nominated by self. Elected unopposed
3. Carol Vandersluys. Nominated by self. Elected unopposed
4. Beth Cole. Nominated by self. Elected unopposed

8. Review of Annual Membership Fees

Moved by Jo Harris that Annual Membership Fees to remain at \$10 per single and \$20 per family and group membership. Approved unopposed.

Moved by Jo Harris that Affiliate Membership be introduced. \$50 per year. For affiliate community groups who wish to use the Kelmscott Community Garden as a venue to host workshops/meetings/events/ classes. In addition, a nominal facility charge for each booked day by the affiliate group. A separate agreement to be written to cover this affiliate membership and approved by the committee. Insurance cover to be checked by Jo Harris regarding affiliate members.

9. Urgent Business:

Discussion on Affiliate membership.

- Dianne Bateman suggested first possible affiliate membership with Womens Community Association (WCA). Separate calendar of events / workshops such as meditation, How to repair items and sharpen tools etc. What to plant and when to plant.
- Check Insurances/ OHS / running own events costs involved.

- Dates and times to be advised but utilised when garden normally doesn't have busy bees/ AM garden open times.
- Gates open as often as possible in conjunction with other community groups. COA leases being reviewed.
- Workshops can be hosted in conjunction with Kelmscott Community Garden.

Discussion on how to encourage new members who do not return to the garden to become regular attendees.

- Encourage more social interaction/ afternoon tea, not all work, enjoy garden.
- Calendar & Plan of structured events / workshops.
- Seed and other produce swap / shuffle / share days.
- Labelling and instructions.
- Interaction with other community groups.
- Targeting 2nd chance community hub in Kelmscott.

Income to the Kelmscott community garden

- Plants to be arranged for sale. Sundays sign out front (advertise online prior)
- Produce only on a "Grow Free cart" basis due to restrictions / permits involved with selling produce. Donation box available though is a good idea. List on Grow Free website/ Facebook.
- Workshops and Events should only be free to members. All other attendees, fees to attend.
- Fundraisers.
- Sunday afternoon sausage sizzles.

Expenditure / required items for the Kelmscott community garden

- Microphone and amplifier identified after many large events as a requirement. \$500 from Classic Sounds Kelmscott. Approved unanimously. Silvia and George to purchase and obtain reimbursement.

Recommended by Treasurer: items to be obtained / purchased:

- Additional Shed, possible donation from Jacinta TBA
- Esky
- 3x3m gazebo shelter
- Urn

Planning Meeting / Next committee meeting

- Saturday 31 OCT at 2pm

Christmas Party

- Date to be confirmed first weekend in December 5th/ 6th? Same 5pm evening type event as 2019. Bring 1 plate only (too much food leftover last time).

Next AGM September 2021. Date to be advised.

Meeting Closed 3.45pm