

# **Addingham Allotment and Garden Association**

**Committee Meeting – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026  
The Fleece**

## **Committee members present:**

Anne Robertson, Margaret Johnson, Stewart Taylor, Gill and Jeff W, Peter Cooke, Melissa Ware, Jane Snee

## **13/26. Apologies**

None

## **14/26 Minutes of meeting Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2026**

Minutes approved.

## **15/26 Matters Arising**

### **a) Snowdrop Tea - 7<sup>th</sup> February 2026 Debrief**

Very successful event, venue reaching capacity, might need to consider a bigger venue next year.

### **b) 2026 Events Update/ Keynote Speaker/GQT Panel**

**Next Event** Jack Ogg talk 26<sup>th</sup>

Open up at 6.30 **Action: Anne**

Stock up on tea/coffee biscuits etc **Action: Jane**

**Keynote Speaker 2027** Jane has compiled a short list for the committee to consider. Check availability of 3 preferred/favourite choices. **Action: Jane**

### **GQT Panel**

Ramon Porter, Jeff Walbank, Rick Baterbee and Margaret Johnson proposed. Ramon and Rick's availability to be confirmed. A theme needs to be agreed before questions are gathered. **Action: All**

### **c) School Garden Project**

Still ongoing, current school contact is unavailable. Stewart still to meet with Nigel.

### **d) AGM/Election of Officers/Committee Member Roles**

All current committee happy to stand for a further year. Members to be given notice of meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> March by email ASAP. **Action: Anne**

### **e) Insurance**

Allotment Insurance looks adequate, new quote for third party insurance is £195.62.

Peter to overlook before proceeding. **Action: Peter**

## **16/26 Membership**

Stripe has overhauled their backend payment system. Rick has already corrected our system to accommodate this. Committee would like to pass on our thanks to Rick for his time on this. He has also produced a set of handover notes should he not be able to assist in future. All current members have been emailed about renewal or auto-renew. Membership cards are being distributed, pending renewal/auto-renewal. Melissa is happy with the numbers.

Ramon and Margaret Porter and Wendy Palmer to be asked to be life members.

**Action: Stewart**

**17/26 Spring/Annual Show**

Draft schedule has been distributed. Final schedule hopefully ready for the AGM if possible. School has been contacted re the children's classes, which are also open to village children. Star baker recipe to be confirmed, one overall prize of an apron, customised if not too costly. Photography competition theme 'What a Day' **Action: Peter, Gill W**

**18/26 Open Gardens**

2026 event now looks unlikely. Nothing to report.

**19/26 Partner Organisation**

Nothing to report.

**20/26 Website and Social Media**

Nothing to report.

**21/26 Allotment Sites Liaison and Parish Council**

As noted in August minutes agreed to discuss access issue for one of our members with Parish Council. Peter offered to visit to assess the problem and look at potential solutions.

**Action: Peter**

**22/26 Finance**

Business Reserve Account £5597.08

Current Account £2349.61

Cash position included in current account.

£47 RHS renewal paid for 2026

Paperwork completed to add Anne as second nominee. Awaiting action from Natwest.

**23/26 AOB**

Jeff raised the possibility of using ribbons instead of engraving the trophies. Committee thought this was worth looking into.

**24/26 Next Meeting**

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Meeting ended 21.12**