

**GRACE & FLAVOUR DIRECTORS' MEETING**  
**Minutes Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2023: at 7.30pm (G & F Potting Shed)**

REF	ITEM	ACTION
Present	Gerry - Chair: Beverley, Vicky, Carolyn, Helena, Rob, John W, Michael, and John F	
Minute Taker	John F	
	<b>Apologies:</b> Ashley and Ray	
1.	<b>Minutes of Last Meeting:</b> Accepted and signed by Gerry.	
2.	<b>Actions from last meeting</b>	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Vegetable prices and Members' discounts – All now rectified and updated on the website.</li> <li>2. NGS Open Day &amp; Payment : 207 visitors (2 Free) £1025 less part toilet hire £141.60 Total sent to NGS and received by them £883.40. The figure for Cherry Trees being checked. <i>(note added after meeting: £910 paid)</i>. As a separate issue Carolyn mentioned trying to arrange a visit from them with carers There was then a discussion as to whether we would have an open day in 2024 and if so whether it would be an NGS open day. Generally the idea was favourably received but it was felt that the membership views should be sought. Gerry will arrange for an appropriate email to be sent out to everyone.</li> <li>3. Induction and new members email: Induction is working well but there is too much in the email. A WhatsApp message (or paper copy) would be much better. Virtually all skills sheets have been updated. 51 active members of which 17 are new. We must endeavour to keep track of everyone/everything if future.</li> <li>4. First Aid Training event Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August . Gerry has not yet had a chance to talk to Tony as he is on holiday at the moment.</li> </ol>	<p>GR</p> <p>All</p> <p>GR</p> <p>BN</p> <p>GR</p>
3	<b>Topic Leads</b> (attached) All agreed that these were OK subject to Beverley being identified as lead for Skills Sheet . The list will be added to the Handbook as an appendix and announced on one of the regular work days.	GR
4	<b>Dog Rules</b> We should stick with the guidance we already have but as there are some who do not stick to the rules we should send out a stiffly worded reminder of the possible consequences should the rules be disregarded.	MT
5	<b>SWT Community Celebratory Evening 3<sup>rd</sup> August</b> Very interesting networking opportunity. Lots of local projects going on. Mostly pure wildlife, not vegetable gardens with an element of wildlife encouragement like us. However the projects were making a difference in reversing the severe decline in species.	
6	<b>Finance report:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gerry read out a brief report from Ashley as he was absent and this is attached.</li> <li>2. The main comment was that we do not seem to be bringing in as much from sales of vegetables as previous years which seems strange in view of the quantities being produced. This will need to be monitored. Beverley said that several of newer members did not have the G&amp;F bank details yet.</li> <li>3. Mention was made of potential for sums of money to be made available to G &amp; F from West Horsley Parish Council and Horsley Community Fund. It was felt that these might be used to pay for the patio and the new weed bins.</li> <li>4. Finance subcommittee meeting to be held in September,</li> </ol>	AB

