## Nightingale Gardeners Group

Agenda for Sunday 27 June 2021. 3pm with social meet up from 4pm.

## Chair: Bob/Lois

Notes: Rebecca

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- 1. Welcome, thank you.
- 2. Minutes from the last meeting in October 2020 (on website): to agree. Any changes needed?

## 3. Updates:

- a. **Finances:** brief Treasurer's report from Julian. OK for funds. Need to fund insurance renewal in September ~£175. Several generous donations, including lots of herbs and bedding plants from Coton Orchard to Kindness project (on 23 June).
- b. **Membership**. Welcome to new regular volunteers: Francesca, Clare, Anthony, Tristan and Kate.
- c. Time credits.
- d. Volunteering. Regular, plus one-off working parties.
- e. Completed projects in the garden: since October 2020:
  - i. **Infrastructure etc:** Green roof (24 June); book swap and seed swap boxes; portable pizza oven and kit;
  - ii. **New trees and planting**: plum, gage and crab apple; Spring bulbs; grapevine (21 June); fig tree (soon).
  - iii. Activities for families: Autumn self-guided trail; Small doors; Rabbits on the run; Wooden xylophone; lots of pond dipping.
  - iv. **Decorations**: polytunnel and veranda; Xmas trees and decorations; Easter decorations;
  - v. **Kindness project**: garden at Wulfstan Way, including signs and bug hotel; four afternoon teas including Red Cross Area Residents' afternoon tea in the garden (20 June);
  - vi. Networking: Hilton's new community garden (opens 26 June).
  - vii. **Nearby**: improved path to the garden.
- 4. **Upcoming visits and events**: Queen Edith school (29/30 June); members' very informal social (4 July); Cambridge Garden Club to visit (6 July);
- 5. Planned projects:
  - a. **New bench** under the climbing tree we have funds from kind donations and a design.
  - b. Club hut interior.
- 6. To discuss:
  - a. Groups: DIY Little Nightingales? Creative group?
  - b. Nature connectedness project: dead hedge; bat walks; beetle trail; nature club?
  - c. **Polytunnel**: what next?
  - d. **Outdoor kitchen/activity prep project**: by June 2022. Have funds. Subgroup to refine design, find contractor. Role of volunteers?
  - e. Call for S106 funding: any ideas?
  - f. **How to work as a group**? Smaller management group plus larger Friends group (for fundraising and social activities)? When, how, who? Subgroup to work on this?
- 7. Any other business.
- 8. Next meeting: 12 September 2021 in the garden in the afternoon.