

AGM Feed Leeds Minutes: January 23rd 2019 – Leeds Civic Hall

## **Committee present**

Tom Bliss (Chair), Rob Moores (Minutes / Growing Better), Sonja Woodcock (Leeds Food Partnership), Sarah-Jane Mason (RHS), Rosie Atkins (LESSN), Sue Ottley-Hughes (Stank Hall Barn), Joe Foster (Hollin Lane Allotments), Pete Foulston (Vice Chair), Sarah Priestley (Chappel Allerton in Bloom / LCC 2023).

## **Committee apologies**

Marie Pierre Dupont (LCC Housing and REAP), Becky Mears (Incredible Edible Airborough and Season Well), Luke Justice (Primrose Valley Project), Ama Cheney (Grow to School), Prof Les Firbank (UoL), Caroline Scott (Rooted).

The AGM was well-attended, with many regular contributors present, also council officers, guests from Todmorden, and a number of very welcome new faces.

The resignations of Trish Cliff and Paul Ackroyd were noted with thanks for their contributions, all the existing members were re-elected, and no new people joined the committee.

**<u>Treasurers report</u>** - no transactions

Chairs report - see pdf document

In addition to these, there was lively discussion on a number of points which, being informal, were not minuted.

One important addition, however, is that Leeds Food Partnership are very keen to obtain quantified information on any "gleaning" occurring in Leeds, particularly where a farm has been involved. This is to present as evidence for the Sustainable Cities Bronze Award. According to Wikipedia "Gleaning is the act of collecting leftover crops from farmers' fields after they have been commercially harvested or on fields where it is not economically profitable to harvest."

Please email if you intend to attend the Leeds Rotters event on the 10th of Feb and have not yet done so.

**Presentation by Mary Clear** - see pdf document.

The next GM takes place again at Potting Shed drinks on the 3rd Thursday in February, which is 21st, at 7.30 pm. This will be held upstairs at the Further North bar at 194 Harrogate Rd, Leeds LS7 4NZ.