# Canterbury Community Gardens Association

# September 13th 2018 5.15pm

Agenda:

Present: Catherine O’Neill, Di Madgin, Rachel Vogan, Amanda O’Carroll, Michael Reynolds, Hayley Guglietta, Debbie Nelson, Donna Lusby, Cathy Allden, Robyn Kilty, Brendon Lewis.

Apologies: Heidi Wilson

Previous Minutes; accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting held on July 26th 2018. Moved Di, seconded Catherine.

CCGA AGM: minutes to be confirmed at 2019

Matters Arising: Confirmation of Heidi as a member of the committee, who was proposed by Amanda, and seconded by Hayley at the AGM, was received by the members sitting at this meeting by Debbie.

Welcome to new committee members

Catherine, as Chair, introduced new members to the existing committee.

We welcome Brendon from Packe Street Park & Michael from Roimata Commons & Food Resilience Network, and Donna from Linwood Resource Centre on board.

\*Information for the Charities Commission

Debbie, as Treasurer, requires Committee members’ names, addresses, phone number and email, date of birth for the Charities Commission for the 2017-18 Financial End of Year statement and took new members names and addresses for the coming financial year 2018-2019 EOY statement.

*Hayley and Debbie to sort out the audit paperwork.*

**FEASTA October 19th – 22nd Labour Weekend**

Explanation of FEASTA required by those who had missed previous meetings and how the CCGA & FRN are collaborating for the Festival.

**Fes**tival of **T**ransitional **A**rchitecture theme in 2018 is Urban Architecture & Food. Major events on Labour Monday October 22nd is FEASTA.

A VIP area for those who helped out with the growing and planting and planning of the exhibit was mooted and accepted as an excellent way to say Thanks.

September 20th FEASTA program launch at Space Academy.

Michael read out the precis piece for inclusion in the program mentioning the CCGA and FRN and Southern Seed Exchange and Ilex Café involvement in the exhibit.

Refer to Emma at CCC for social media guidelines relating to FESTA launch.

Summary of FEASTA Exhibit:

FRN has been loaned a movie screen from MonstaVision, paid the license for two films, WALL-E for the children to be screened at 5.30pm

The screening of ‘Seed’ to be shown from 7.45pm

The location of the screening will be outside the Ilex Café, or if raining the screenings will be moved inside the Visitors Centre.

Michael as lead of FRN involvement has the task of H&S, event planning, fire safety and crowd control.

Southern Seed Exchange has delivered via Cathy & Hayley, locally sourced vegetable & herb Heritage Seed to Canterbury Community Gardens who took on the challenge of growing produce for Jonny Schwass, Ilex Cafe to prepare into edible delights for the Labour Day visiting public who will be paying a koha for those edible delights.

*Michael, Hayley and Cathy are the leads on this build-up of the exhibit.*

*Everyone else is on standby, with readiness and willingness to help when needed.*

Discussion ensued: Issues to be resolved:

* The generously donated seed has been sown, but with less than a month to go,Where to get the produce to supply a Labour Day Visiting public which could number over 3,000 over two films {based on Autumn Show figures & divided}

*??Rachel and Hayley both suggested contacting people such as Christchurch Cultivate, Addington Co-Op, Spring Collective, and local growers who could have available produce, to see whether they’d be willing to donate.*

* The menu: not a four course degustation preferably, but snacks and dips.

*?? Hayley, Cathy to discuss with Jonny Schwass.*

* The Koha,

*How is it collected and divided between the collaborating partners??*

* VIP area for those who grew the seed, who planted the vegetables, who collected and delivered the produce for Jonny Schwass to cook into something epicurean*.*

*Hayley has the velvet rope at the ready.*

 **FESTA LOGISTICS MEETING October 17th @ 415A Innes Road**

Logistics meeting to discuss, menu, koha, pick up produce, storage of produce & timing the delivery of produce to a site which has limited public access.

How to get VIP area in, publicity of those involved in the exhibit/screening. Etc.

Subscriptions/ donations:

Hayley has email lists to collate. The original CCGA list, the subscription list, the most recent AGM list, and an outside the box list, to prepare to send out a subscription email.

A good return of subs has been noted, and that we need a receipt template.

Mentioned that the Secretary has to send out the subscription notices.

Quite willing, nonetheless seeing as Hayley has the emails lists

*Amanda to send the “How to Join” piece written for the previous website admin. for Hayley to tidy-up before adding to the CCGA website.*

Many Green notes were handed to the Treasurer on the night, I’m putting these under Subscriptions and donations.

Membership

A few members of the committee arrived from another meeting, Edible Canterbury. Discussion around how many food-resilient based organisations does it take to overwhelm the funding pot?

Reading the Edible Canterbury Charter leaflet in front of me, it was an initiative of the Food Resilience Network under the auspices of Matt Morris and Bailey Perryman, Edible Canterbury was the broadstroke promotion first brokered by the FRN supported by Tony Moore at CCC. Lots of Community Gardens signed upto the charter at its inaugural meeting at the WEA on Gloucester Street.

Mooting the idea of Universal Membership ie 4 major organisations, CCGA, FRN, Edible Canterbury and CHS. Brings the issue of how much each organisation receives from its mutual association, and how much can an underfunded Community Garden afford, one not backed by Vodafone Funding, or CCC support.

KiwiCare

Donna talked about how Brandon from KiwiCare was offering assistance to Community Gardens in the form of volunteers, product, and profile raising and financial assistance.

Donna had sent out the email previously to committee members. Attached email

Cathy at Avebury is in the process of trying out Kiwicare products.

Offers of help to Southern Seed Exchange

Southern Seed Exchange was broken into, and boxes of seeds stolen. Damage to the shed. Requirements for the storage of Heritage Seeds seem too stringent for the Community Gardens.

If anyone knows of a storage site which they can utilise, that is dry, dark, and copious amounts of shelving, please let the Secretary know and I’ll pass on the information.

General Business:

**PROPOSAL**

* Hayley proposed that from the end of the first quarter 2019, that the CCGA migrates the CCGA website from Caerulean Designs to another web platform. Costs relatively the same.

Moved by Amanda, seconded by Debbie

Carried Unanimously

Could the Secretary have offers of Committee Meeting sites, as Catherine has been stunningly generous with the use of her home?

Mentions of Oderings Barrington Tea Room – before closing, - (worktime!)

Avebury House--If weather gets better, site can be outside.

## Notes:

September Bee Awareness Month

World Rivers Day: 23rd September Sunday

Otākāro Orchard hosting Kings Seeds seedling swap: 23rd September Sunday

After FESTA, 4 more initiatives to show off the Garden City.

Edible Bike Tour, Fab Lab etc.

CHS meeting September 24th Monday

 funding for Autumn Show, Rachel has sent email to all

Minutes of the meeting Amanda O’Carroll

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Kia ora

Brandon's email address at Kiwicare is: brandone@kiwicare.co.nz

Thanks!

Donna

On Tue, Aug 21, 2018 at 9:52 AM Linwood Resource < lrcgardens@gmail.com> wrote:

Kia ora katou

Hope your week is going well!

I just caught up with Brandon Evans from KiwiCare about community engagement.

They are keen to engage in local community projects and are looking for initiatives around Christchurch that they can get involved with. They are able to help out with product, financially or with volunteers.  KiwiCare have 50 staff - they would be happy to come out and work on projects in groups or generally in our community gardens.

They are also more than happy to help to raise the profile of the CCGA as that of well as individual gardens - they have a large Facebook following and are also able to draw on their strength in the media.

One other thing he mentioned was that they get a lot of gardening questions from customers and the public; he is interested in seeing how we can connect our collective knowledge and help out in this area.

I said that I'd let the CCGA know and see if we can get the message out to our members that they are keen to help. It would be great if people could let me know what initiatives or areas they could see KiwiCare helping out with in their gardens or with the CCGA generally. I'm going to chat to Brandon again after the AGM and once I've had feedback from our members. Ultimately individual gardens would be in touch with KC about their own projects, he'd just like to get an idea of how they could help us for the time being.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

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Donna Lusby

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