

Fundraising meeting with Patchway town clerk. Jan 10

Points of discussion.

- Lottery funding for shed re-build/ revamp.
- Fundraising ideas
- Patchway festival
- Bank account for fundraising
- Allotment rent bank account set up for direct debit.
- New Grow Pretoria web site.

1. Lottery funding.

Jenny, Louise and Amera have discussed at previous meeting it would be nice to have a new shed that everyone can use and have access too. To be able to make a cup of tea, exchange ideas, socialise.

We also discussed that we would like the local community to become more involved with the site.

Jenny has enquired about lottery funding and we are asking permission and support from Patchway Town council clerk Lucy Hamid.

Mrs Hamid is very supportive in this. There was a discussion with Norman and John that it was not possible to knock down existing shed due to equipment that is in there. Norman suggested it may be better to renovate what we already have. Mrs Hamid suggested she gets a builder in to have a look at it.

It was also discussed having electric and water installed in the shed and maybe even Ladies and gents toilets.

If we are successful in getting the funding and the build it was suggested that allotment volunteers would paint and clean it.

2. Fundraising

We would also need to raise funds to support the lottery funding application. Lots of ideas came from everyone.

Coffee mornings

Open days. (Jo Hicks kindly brought in photos from little stoke allotment site open day)

Seed swab days

BBQ's (we are insured to do this via PTC)

Table top sales at local schools/churches.

Getting involved with the Patchway festival, having a produce table. Admission to allotment site with someone at the gate.

Vegetable box (donated by allotment holders).

Wine raffles

Fund raising committee to have regular meetings.

3. Patchway festival

Lucy gave us last year's programme on competitions for veg and flower growing

It would be nice if the allotment could become more involved in the festival, May be an opportunity to raise some funding.

4. Fundraising separate account

Jenny and Louise happy to set this up with Lloyds bank. Name of account will be grow Pretoria as suggested by Lucy hamid, which brings us lastly too.....

5. Grow Pretoria web site. (Google growpretoria)

A fantastic new website has been designed and set up By Jon and Debbie. This will be a great way to communicate with those of us who are on line.

Those who are not, may be buddy up with someone to have important information i.e. meetings printed off.

Next meeting with Lucy Hamid at the Casson centre 10th Feb
7.15pm.

Next Fundraising meeting at the allotment site Sunday 31st Jan
11.00am.