



UNDY & MAGOR HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Minutes of a Committee Meeting, held on Monday 30th June 2025 at 7pm at the home of Bernard & Sally Bailey.

Present: Sally Bailey, Beverly Cawley, Paul Cawley (Chair), Penny Kirkham, Barbara Hadyn-Jones, Sally Raggett.

1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed members and apologised for the change of meeting date.

2 Apologies for Absence

Apologies received and accepted from Victoria Hammett-Johnson,

3 Minutes of the Last Meeting

3.1 To adopt the Minutes of the last committee meeting.

The minutes of the last meeting were adopted and signed.

3.2 To consider any Matters Arising from the Minutes (*that are not on the agenda*)

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

4 Finance

4.1 Treasurer's Update

Penny Kirkham confirmed that the balance held at the bank was £1713.92 with £545.59 cash held in hand. There had been one new member since the last meeting. The accounts for the last financial year had been independently checked by Caron Turner at Turner Hydraulics Group.

5 Social Media

5.1 To receive an update on the proposed website and agree any actions required.

The new website was under construction. The Autumn show schedule would need to be uploaded onto the website as soon as possible (even if the website were still under construction. A link to the document on the website could then be shared on Facebook pages. The number of people now members/following the Facebook page had increased to 196.

6 Garden Visit – Sunday 8th June 2025 1pm – 4pm

6.1 To receive feedback on the visit to the garden of Paul & Rosie Thorner.

Twelve members had visited the garden and there had been positive feedback. It was agreed to invite Paul & Rosie Thorner to the Cheese & Wine event in September.

7 Rogiet Community Council: "Rogiet in Bloom" July 2025

7.1 To note the closing date for entries is Friday 18th July.

Noted. It was also noted that the Rogiet Community Council were doing a final push for entries via their Facebook page and website as entries were slow to come in.

8 65th Late/Autumn Show – 23rd August 2025

8.1 To consider the draft show schedule.

Members considered changes to the schedule, in particular to the 'Flower Arranging' competitions. The Pumpkin Festival and Cheese & Wine event would be advertised within the schedule. Suggestions for sponsors and advertisers would be followed up.

8.2 To consider any other requirements and needs for the show

Letters would be going out to the judges. Raffle prizes were required. Sally Raggett would arrange to purchase a new roll of white table cloth, and would provide the black table cloth for the flower arranging area. Sally Bailey and Clarie Johnson would be renewing their Level 2 Food Hygiene through Monmouthshire Life. Member Richard Curwood would be given the details

should he wish to undertake Level 2 Food Hygiene course. There would be a stall on the day of the show selling second hand gardening books and plants in aid of the Society's charity Marie Curie. Beverly Cawley would check the stock of prize cards and rosettes to ensure there were sufficient, and would arrange purchase of the plaques for the children and community competitions and the garden vouchers for the most points in sections. Exhibitors would have the choice to have their produce etc auctioned off at the end of the day, with monies going to Marie Curie.

9 Cheese and Wine Evening – 27th September 2025

9.1 To consider any actions required and needs

Sally Raggett would be applying for the Temporary Events Bar Licence. Kelly Raggett would design and arrange printing of the posters and tickets. Judges and Stewards would be invited to the event. The Magor Post Office would be asked to sell tickets. Sally Bailey would liaise with Victoria Hammett-Johnson with regards to purchasing the cheese and wine. It was agreed to hold a quiz, and enquiries would be made regarding possible background music.

10 Talk on Bee-Keeping – 16th October 2025

10.1 To note John Adams had confirmed availability for the talk.

The event would be held between 7.30 and 9pm at Undy Memorial Hall. The cost would be £1 per ticket. John would be bringing along honey for sale. The secretary would try to source an outlet to bring along beehive alchemy items such as candles/wax/soaps/creams/salves etc.

11 Pumpkin Festival – 1st November 2025

11.1 To receive an update on planning and agree any actions required

Sally Raggett would look at the cost for getting Pumpkin prize cards printed. Members felt there was still plenty of time to look at finer details of the event.

12 2025 Programme of Events

12.1 To consider any actions required in respect of the 2025 programme.

a. Christmas Tree Trail competition

It was agreed to undertake a questionnaire/poll at the Pumpkin Festival to see how much interest there would be from residents entering and paying an entry fee towards a charity.

b. Other

Members felt that there was a lot going on in the Society and agreed not to hold a Christmas wreath making event this year.

13 Any Other Business

13.1 To consider any other business in relation to the Society

a. Update on Photo books

It was agreed to do a one off copy.

Photos would also be displayed on boards at the Autumn show. Sally Raggett would enquire about borrowing the MADS boards, but members felt they could purchase a set in the future, funds permitting.

14 Date of Next Meeting

14.1 To agree the date and venue of the next Committee meeting.

The next meeting would be Monday 28th July 2025 7pm, at the home of Bernard & Sally Bailey