## **Barnsley Beekeepers Association**

## 4th April 2022 Minutes

Venue Gilroyd Social Club & via Zoom

Meeting Started 7:30 start

No. Present 33 + 2 via Zoom

**Apologies** Cathi & Mike Lees, Gordon Madden

Chair Richard Senior

**Chairman's Welcome** – Richard opened the meeting at 7:35 and welcomed everyone to the last of the winter series.

**February Minutes -** Minutes circulated 9<sup>th</sup> March Accepted by Jackie Keys and Seconded by Lex Morgan.

**Finance update** –Thank you to everyone paying subs and payments for wax/tamper labels via BACS, no update re change of bank account. Aimee is going to talk to the existing provider 'Virgin' as the 1<sup>st</sup> port of call to establish a baseline before talking to other financial institutions, ideally, we are looking for an account with no fees supporting charities.

**Association Apiary update** – 5 strong hives, 1 was a drone layer which has now been united. scaffolding poles supplied and Paul thanked to David for the providing them.

Ivor is filming a bailey comb change in our apiary for YBKA in the coming weeks which will then be shared by YBKA.

Saturday apiary session to be arranged and details will be circulated via WhatsApp.

**Education & Training update** – Modules are done with 3 members sitting them online with the results due in May for results. 2 candidates so far for Bee Health which Val will be setting up calls for in the coming weeks, if anyone is interested, please let Val know.

Basic Assessment – Val gave a brief overview of the assessment, please let Val know by end of May if interested so Val can book in assessors /dates.

**AOB** – None

The meeting ended at 19:46.

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<b>April Talk</b> – Very informative talk from Gerry on 'What's going on in your Hive – (reading the bees)', which gave members lots to think about for the coming season.			