**Hangingwater Allotment Association (HAA)**

Minutes of the meeting held on Oct 3rd 2017

**Matters Arising:**

* **FOPV Autumn Fair**

The sum of £168.40 was raised, half of which was donated to Friends of the Porter Valley. There was less produce than usual and we missed Sally’s cakes, but everything was sold and all the chutneys and jams went well

* **Bonfire night**

The bonfire will be held on plot 60 this year on Saturday November 4th. Please note that access is from the **bottom** of the plot and it is the plot next to Alec’s. Please bring fireworks and food to share (or eat yourself!)

**Agenda Items:**

* **Vandalism**

Sadly, theres is more vandalism to report. This time Paul and Annie’s shed, and all it’s contents, was burnt down. The police and allotment office have been informed.

**Manure**

We have had deliveries of both cow and horse manures in October.  One of the deliveries wasn't up to scratch but hopefully that has been sorted now.

* **Pernicious weeds**

Japanese knotweed has been noted on the path from Hangingwater Road down to the park but will be treated.

Mare’s Tail is a problem on some plots and the advice is (as for bindweed) to pull it up, dry it out then drown it. The resulting liquor is said to be a very nutritious fertiliser. You have to keep on doing this though.

**Any other business:**none