Dulwich Society garden group - minutes of meeting on Monday 18 November 2024

Present: Ann Rutherford, Elizabeth Rankin, Joanna French, Katharine St John-Brooks, Jeremy Prescott
Apologies: Carol Britton

1. Minutes of meeting on 16 September
These were approved (since submitted to the DS Hon Secretary for publication)

2.Feedback on events
i. Visit to Fulham Palace Gardens 18 September
Enjoyable visit and tour of a fascinating garden and building. Full house before some droputs.

ii. Fungus walk in Dulwich Park 13 October
18 (the maximum) attended this very enjoyable c2 hour walk, guided by Fabrice Boltho who identifies fungi for the South London Botanical Institute, to which he donated his fee. We found c40 species.

5. Plans for 2025
i. Journal
Fewer gardens are opening next year; suggestions of possible gardens to Ann.

ii. Coach trip Wednesday 11 June
Booked for 11 June 2025, to Sissinghurst (National Trust) in the morning and then Pashley Manor (lunch at café – seating capacity of 70).

iii. Talks
Alison Marsden on how to have a great front garden (booked, **Wednesday 16 April 2025**, Bell House)
Ambra Edwards on Head Gardeners, **Thursday 10 July**, also at Bell House

iv. Local visits
Joanna looking at the Horniman and Brockwell Park Community Greenhouses.

4. AOB
Jeremy reported that Elms4London (an initiative of the MPGA) is giving another 10 disease-resistant elms to the Dulwich Estate, introduced by us. He had planted some daffodils in the Selkhova "corner site" and the Court Lane raised beds, and Southwark responded quickly to a request to weed the Village Roundabout.

5. Next meetings
10.30am, Monday 13 January at Ann's house

Approved..... J Prescott .....

Date..... 13/1/25 .....