

WELLS CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE WELLS IN BLOOM COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT WELLS TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 21st JANUARY 2010 AT 6PM.

PRESENT: Councillors: Cllr M Brandon (Chairman)
Cllr C Borastero; Cllr D Anderson; Cllr J North; Cllr N Kennedy; Cllr J Parkes; Cllr C Price.

IN ATTENDANCE: Steve Luck (Proper Officer); Cllr D Unwin; Mrs S Hanks; Mrs R Sweales; Mr J Woods; Mrs L Bishop; Mrs B Beauchamp.

10/01W APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr T Robbins, Mr D Nasmyth, Mr T Whitman, Miss E Thorne, Mrs J Jones, Mr R Hole.

10/02W TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Wednesday 18th November 2009 were approved.

10/03W MATTERS ARISING.

Cllr Kennedy reported that the railings in the recreational ground had not been moved yet due to adverse weather.

Cllr Parkes reported he had circulated the art project photographs.

10/04W REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN.

Cllr Brandon reported the plants had survived the bad weather very well, a working party will be required to check the planting, and the conifer outside the Kings Head is to be replaced.

10/05W REPORT BY THE VICE CHAIRMAN

Mrs S Hanks reported some plants would need cutting back, a working party would be required after the next meeting in March.

10/06W FINANCE REPORT

The Chairman reported the prototype was now available if the need to replace the hanging baskets was confirmed, and this was available to view in the market place. The quote was in for the summer plants of £3,499+vat compared to £3,659+vat last year, and it was anticipated the final figure would end up similar to last year. Carlton Mews have been quoted £818 for their baskets.

10/07W 2010 ENTRIES IN WELLS IN BLOOM

After discussion it was agreed to keep the same categories and various ideas were considered to improve the entry levels, including contacting previous entrants, getting flyers out early and into the library and shops.

Cllr Price suggested to get more public houses involved and it was agreed for committee members to organise this.

10/08W CONTINGENCY PLAN

It was agreed to defer.

10/09W FUNDRAISING

- a) Sponsorship, this will be collected in March.
- b) Garden Trail, discussions took place about various possibilities for the route, it was agreed to hand out details in the market place and place an advert, the date being 23rd and 24th July.
- c) The May Fair stall, it was agreed to have a stall and donations of plants to be sought.

10/10W ITEMS OF URGENT REPORT.

None

EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That pursuant to the provision of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public is excluded from the meeting for the following items of business by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

The meeting closed at 6.45pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Wells in Bloom meeting is **Wednesday 10th March 2010 at 6.00 p.m.**