

**WELLS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE WELLS IN BLOOM COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT WELLS TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY
20th JUNE 2013 AT 6.00pm.**

PRESENT: Councillors: A Gibson; (Chairman); M Brandon; T Butt Philip (The Mayor); J North; J Parkes; C Price; D Unwin.

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk: F White. Mrs S Hanks; Mrs B Beauchamp; Mr R Hole; Mrs J Jones

13/21W ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN Cllr Gibson was proposed, seconded and elected.

13/22W APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Mrs L Bishop; Mrs G North; Mrs R Sweales; Mr J Woods.

13/23W DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.

13/24W MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Thursday 18th April 2013 were proposed, seconded, approved and signed.

13/25W MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC None present

13/26W CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
The Chairman thanked everyone for their help and support with the Big Plant Out. She thanked the Town Hall staff for all their help and patience. Cllr Brandon thanked the Chairman for all her good work.

13/27W FINANCE REPORT
The Chairman reported the Finance is working out well for the year so far. The Finance officer has said the Committee has a large reserve in hand; members made it clear that people had worked hard to raise this in case there was ever insufficient sponsorship to sustain the Bloom program. The Town Clerk assured them the fund is earmarked; a financial statement will be provided to the committee.

13/28W SUMMER SCHEDULE
Arrangements were made for dead-heading and for watering as necessary. Fund Raising Event. It was agreed to plan a Cocktails and Canapes evening possibly Saturday or Sunday 10th – 11th August; ideas for a venue will be followed up.

13/29W GARDEN COMPETITION
Closing date: Friday 28th June. Judging: 8th, 9th, 10th July
Members were disappointed the entry form has not been properly printed in the Wells Journal.

13/30W SCHOOLS COMPETITION
The baskets were returned promptly and look lovely. The Competition will be judged by Cllr Brandon and Alistair Glanville. Reminders have been sent out to the schools and there are about ten entries which is a good response.

13/31W PRESENTATION EVENING: 7pm on Monday 21st October was agreed.

13/32W ANY OTHER MATTERS
i. The Cocktail evening would profile the Wells in Bloom program even if funds are not urgently needed.
ii. Preparation of a press release for the Wells Journal.

13/33W DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: 6pm on Thursday 19th September 2013