WELLS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE WELLS IN BLOOM COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WELLS TOWN HALL; THURSDAY 6TH FEBRUARY 2014 AT 6.00pm.

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk: F White. Mrs L Bishop; Mrs J Jones; Mrs S Hanks; Mr R Hole; Mrs R Sweales; Mr T Whitman.

- **14/01W APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** None received.
- 14/02W DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.
- **14/03W** MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on THURSDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2013 were proposed, seconded, approved and signed.
- **14/04W MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** None present.

14/05W CHAIRMANS REPORT

i.

Baskets, mangers, etc have been ordered. **Summer Planting dates**

- Wednesday 9th April from 5pm: plant tidy-round.
- ii. Lifting of winter plants: date to be arranged by e-mail / phone.
- iii. Sunday 1st June The Big Plant-Out weather conditions permitting Alternative date Sunday 8th June.

14/06W OPEN GARDENS OR OTHER EVENT

The Town Clerk reported on current insurance requirements regarding risk assessments. She was asked to prepare a letter, in consultation with the Chairman, to send out to the garden-owners informing them of the position. It was hoped the event could be held 11th, 12th July.

14/07W FUNDRAISING IDEAS FOR 2014

Deferred to next meeting.

14/08W BRITAIN IN BLOOM

- i. It was agreed to move forward with the basic level entry to Britain in Bloom.
- In response to a request from the leader of MDC, it was agreed that if Mendip in Bloom were to continue, Wells would enter but Wells City Council and Wells in Bloom are not able to take on any aspect of the organization.

14/09W ANY OTHER MATTERS FOR URGENT REPORT

- i. Schools: Arrangements for hanging baskets and school gardens competitions were agreed.
- ii. Cllr Parkes reported on plans for a commemorative poppy bed in the Recreation Ground and invited volunteers to help with maintenance during the next four years.

14/10W DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be at **6pm on Thursday 17th April 2014**