

**WELLS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE WELLS IN BLOOM COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE INDICTMENT ROOM AT WELLS TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 11th
OCTOBER 2012 AT 6.00pm.**

PRESENT: Councillors: A Gibson; (Chairman); M Brandon(The Mayor);
C Price; J North; D Anderson.

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk: Mrs F White.
Mrs B Beauchamp; Mr R Hole; Mrs L Bishop; Mrs S Hanks;
Mrs R Sweales; Mr T Whitman; Miss E Thorne
Mrs J Jones; Mrs G North.

12/40W APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Cllrs: J Mitchell; D Unwin; T Robbins.

12/41W DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
None. See 12/45 ii.

12/42W MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Thursday 14th June 2012 were proposed, approved and signed.

12/43W MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC None present

12/44W CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
The Chairman reported that the Open Gardens Event had been a great success; the weather was very kind. She thanked everyone for all their hard work, particularly the Vice Chairman, the Mayor, Mrs Hanks, the garden owners and the Town Hall office team. £1213.23 was raised, including £48.65 from sale of seeds and plants. She thanked everyone who had helped with dead-heading and weeding throughout the summer and with clearing the cradles and baskets at the end of the season.

12/45W FINANCE REPORT

- i. Budget requests to Council for 2013-14: It was agreed to request the same level of funding as the current year.
- ii. Charitable donation to Local Youth Project: The Chairman explained that the Mayor had asked if the committee would be willing to offer some assistance from the Open Gardens Event funds to the young people who are trying to get the skate Park back into good order. Cllr North declared an interest as a District Councillor and left the room. Cllr Price (Chairman of the City Centre Management Committee) summarized the situation (ref. 12/104F); the Rotary Club is working with the young people. After discussion it was agreed that this could be looked at again when more detail is known about whether the young people would be interested in partnership working on some specific planting projects. Cllr North returned.
- iii. Cradles in Broad Street
The Chairman has started to look into the possibility but there may be some health and safety issues with Highways. It was agreed it would be a good idea to put the cradles up if possible, the Chairman will look into the matter further.

12/46W NOVEMBER PLANT OUT
Plants arrive Tuesday 13th November
The Big Plant Out: Sunday 18th November
Volunteers were called for and arrangements were finalized.

12/47W PRESENTATION EVENING Monday 22nd October
Tasks were allocated and arrangements made.

12/48W ANY OTHER MATTERS FOR URGENT REPORT
No further matters.

12/49W DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: (Thursday 25th October 2012 cancelled)
The next meeting will be at 6pm on Thursday 7th February 2013