

## WELLS CITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE WELLS IN BLOOM SUB-COMMITTEE HELD IN THE MAIN HALL, WELLS TOWN HALL, AT 6.00pm. THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2019

**PRESENT:**            Sub-Committee members:  
                         Cllr Pamela Crummay  
                         Cllr Celia Wride

Co-opted members:  
Mr John Beauchamp  
Mrs Linda Bishop  
Mrs Sylvia Hanks

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Wells in Bloom Officer: Andy Allen

**19/01W        APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Town Clerk: Felicity White  
Acting Town Clerk/RFO: Steve Luck  
Cllrs: Oliver Hartley, John Osman (Mayor), Tony Robbins  
Mrs Gwen MacKenzie  
Mrs Linda Thomas

**19/02W        DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared.

**19/03W        MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018**  
were proposed, seconded, approved and later signed by the newly appointed  
Chairman.

**19/04W        ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Cllr Pamela Crummay was proposed by Cllr Celia Wride, seconded by  
Mrs Linda Bishop and duly appointed Chairman of the Wells in Bloom  
committee.

**19/05W        MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

None present.

**19/06W        FINANCE REPORT**

**i. Sponsorship**

The Wells in Bloom Officer reported that 82% of the expected  
sponsorships have now been received. The remainder of outstanding  
sponsors will be followed up. Three new sponsors have been received  
this year. Total amount of donations currently received are £6945.

**ii. To approve quotes for purchases for autumn 2019 planting**

Quotes for winter/spring plants are starting to arrive. Purchases  
totalling £1400 were accepted and approved by the committee: £1000  
for plants and £400 for watering and maintenance.

**19/07W WIB OFFICER'S REPORT**

**i. Summer schedules: Planting, weeding, watering etc.**

The summer plants were delivered on 30th May. The hanging baskets and mangers were installed by the Open Spaces team on the same day. The bedding plants were planted on 3rd June; a very good turnout of volunteers and favourable weather aided a successful plant-out. The committee commented on the fantastic display this year.

Mrs Sylvia Hanks was thanked for arranging a garden tea party on 23rd June and raising £427.50 in funds for Wells in Bloom.

Volunteers are working hard to deadhead and tidy their designated areas and the system seems to be working well.

**ii. Autumn dates: Wells in Bloom Presentations; Autumn Plant-Out**

Dates were discussed of the upcoming Wells in Bloom events and meetings:

Volunteers meeting - 3rd September, 6pm. East Room, Town Hall.

Summer plant clear out - W/c 30th September.

Presentation evening - 4th October, 7pm. Main Hall, Town Hall.

Winter plant-out -17th November, 9am. Rear of Town Hall.

**19/08W COMPETITIONS REPORT**

**i. Schools and Pre-schools**

Judging took place at the end of last week. Judges were impressed and enjoyed judging the schools and pre-schools. Judges have ideas for changes and will present these for discussion at the next volunteers meeting.

**ii. Allotments**

Judging was carried out on 25<sup>th</sup> June. The three judges reported they were impressed with most of the allotments. The standard of the allotments has improved due to carrying out judging earlier this year.

**iii. Gardens**

Judging took place 14<sup>th</sup>,15<sup>th</sup>,16<sup>th</sup> July. Entries in the Private Gardens categories have increased this year. Also new entries in the Communities category. It was suggested that a short role description be drawn up for potential new judges.

**19/09W ANY OTHER MATTERS OF REPORT**

No other matters reported.

**19/10W DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 6pm, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2019**