

WESTON-SUPER-MARE TOWN COUNCIL
WESTON IN BLOOM WORKING PARTY
HELD ON TUESDAY 12th APRIL 2016
AT GROVE HOUSE

Meeting commenced: 01.00pm

Meeting concluded: 02.00 pm

PRESENT/IN ATTENDANCE: Richard Knowles (Chairman), Councillor Roz Willis, Councillor Jocelyn Holder, Karen Williams, Roger Brown, Jenny Gosden, Pauline Priestman, Zoe Scott (Community Events and Grounds Administrator) and Rob Thurston (Grounds Manager)

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| 1. | Apologies for Absence Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Martin Williams, Malcolm Nicholson and Bev Tucker. |
| 2. | Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest received. |
| 3. | To agree the minutes of the last Weston in Bloom Working Party meeting held on the 8th March 2016 The minutes of the previous meeting had been previously circulated with the agenda. PROPOSED BY: Jenny Gosden SECONDED BY: Pauline Priestman RECOMMENDED: That the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman. |
| 3a. | Items raised from the last meeting held on 08th March 2016 Roger gave an update on the Bucket and Spade project. After adding a central feature and Perennial plants all that was left to do was a general tidy up and the addition of slate to finish. The schools go back on the 19 th April so Zoe and Debbie will arrange for children to help with this ASAP. Pauline asked if we had received our Regional Feedback yet. Zoe explained that she had emailed Terry Porter who said he would be getting it for us. Cllr Willis offered to contact Terry Porter to see what was happening. Jenny and Richard had been to Skidmores in Worle to enquire about sponsorship but were unable to obtain any. Zoe had been given a contact by Bert Filer for sponsorship for one of the boats on the Queensway which she would be following up. |
| 4. | Monthly Finance Report The budget for 2016/2017 was £21,000. Zoe had already allocated expected costs (watering, plants, judging day etc.) which brought their available balance to £1885.35 |

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| | <p>RESOLVED: That Cllr Willis enquire about transport for judging day through Pitman’s Funeral Directors.</p> |
| 5. | <p>Portfolio</p> <p>Zoe explained how there was still a lack of content for the portfolio. More photos were needed, especially when planting begins during the end of May/beginning of June.</p> <p>All content needs to be sent directly to Bev Tucker.</p> |
| 6. | <p>It’s Your Neighbourhood Awards</p> <p>Zoe was hoping to have obtained a list of entries from South West in Bloom but they had still not got back to her so this item would be discussed at the next meeting.</p> |
| 7. | <p>Judging Day – First Thoughts</p> <p>The Working Party needed to begin thinking about how they would like the Judging Day to run. What food, transport, invitations etc.?</p> <p>RESOLVED: That Working Party members bring ideas for the Judging Day to the next meeting so planning can begin.</p> |
| 8. | <p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Members of the Working Party discussed the state of the ‘Diana’ flower bed outside Grove House. It had been subjected to much vandalism over the years. Many ideas were discussed about what plants may be suitable such as grasses, Cacti, permanent planting etc. No decision was made but it was left open for discussion at upcoming meetings.</p> <p>Richard Knowles said that Worle Lions would be able to help him plant Worle High Street again this year.</p> <p>Pauline enquired as to whether Zoe knew anything of the Civic Society taking over Jill’s Garden. Zoe said she had not but would look into it.</p> |
| | <p>Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 10th May 2016, 1.00 pm, Grove House</p> |

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at: 2.00 pm

Signed:

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