

**WESTON-SUPER-MARE TOWN COUNCIL
WESTON IN BLOOM WORKING PARTY
HELD ON TUESDAY 15th MAY 2018
AT GROVE HOUSE**

Meeting commenced: 11.00 pm

Meeting concluded: 11.55 pm

PRESENT/IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Roger Bailey (Chairman), Councillor Ray Armstrong, Councillor Clive Webb, Town Clerk Malcolm Nicholson, Zoe Scott (Community and Grounds Administrator) Rob Thurston (Grounds Manager) Jenny Gosden, Bev Tucker (Town Centre Partnership) Roger Brown, Jim Sellars, Sandra Sellars Sue Thomas and Pauline Priestman.

1.	<p>Apologies for Absence</p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllr Roz Willis and Cllr Alan Peak.</p> <p>Kareen Williams mentioned how she thought Cllr Martin Williams was no longer on the Working Party. The position would be confirmed.</p>
2.	<p>Declarations of Interest</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest received.</p>
3.	<p>To agree the minutes of the Weston in Bloom Working Party Meeting held on the 03rd April 2018</p> <p>Pauline Priestman noted that the minutes did not list Sandra Sellars as being present when in fact she was.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Bev Tucker SECONDED: Cllr Ray Armstrong</p> <p>RESOLVED: That with the above amendment the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman.</p>
3a.	<p>Review of actions from minutes of the last meeting (Update from Community and Grounds Administrator):</p> <p>The actions regarding Sponsorship will be discussed under item 6.</p> <p>The agreement had been drawn up and signed for the Bug Hotel.</p> <p>Roger Brown highlighted that the planters at the Worle Memorial had been installed.</p> <p>There will be no children's competition.</p> <p>Friends of Grove Park will not be maintaining the bio diversity Garden.</p>
4.	<p>Monthly Finance Report:</p> <p>After deductions of committed spend £3,743.15 was the available balance. The Community and Grounds Administrator (CGA) asked if the working party would like to make a donation towards the Flower show and £100 towards the Horticultural Society Garden Competition, as they have done in previous years.</p>

	<p>Discussion ensued including thoughts on whether Weston in Bloom (WIB) could afford to donate or not. The CGA explained they were in the same financial position as in previous years. The discussion of maintenance for WIB features also arose.</p> <p>It was explained that the cost to host the Flower show has increased slightly this year due to the fee of renting the land.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED: £500 be donated towards the Flower show and £100 towards the Horticultural Society Garden Competition</p> <p>PROPOSED: Cllr Clive Webb SECONDED: Kareen Williams</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Maintenance of Features:</p> <p>The train station boat is being painted. It was mentioned that the Yew Trees outside Grove House could do with cutting back.</p> <p>The CGA said soil/compost would be available for all features when re-planting.</p> <p>Action: CGA speak to North Somerset about the Yew Trees.</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Sponsorship:</p> <p>A potential framework of sponsorship costings per feature was presented to the working Party. Discussion ensued.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED: That Bev and the CGA approach businesses with the below costings to sponsor each feature –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Victory Roundabout (Boat) £250 - Nelson Roundabout (Boat) £250 - Roundabout on the Queensway (Boat) £250 - Endeavour Roundabout (Boat) £250 - Weston Railway Station (Boat, Basket Tree, Tubs and planted area) £400 - Sparky the Donkey (junction New Bristol Road/Worle High Street) £300 - Floral Display Train Feature, Alexandra Parade £200 <p>The question was asked as to whether the cost of signs for each feature would come out of the sponsorship money received.</p> <p>Action: CGA to check with finance about the cost of signs.</p> <p>It was known that the boat at the railway station is use as a litter bin at times and it would be useful to have a bin allocated near it.</p> <p>Action: CGA to check with North Somerset about the potential location for a bin.</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Judging Day 2018:</p> <p>The route was handed out as already agreed in a previous WIB meeting. The CGA confirmed North Somerset Council and all other relevant people knew about the judging day and would ensure the town is kept clean.</p> <p>The CGA needed to organise the catering and transport for the Judging day.</p>

	<p>Discussion ensued.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED: A cap of £6 per head is in place for the catering for around 30 people and transport for the day is sought at a price of around £150.</p> <p>PROPOSED: Cllr Clive Webb SECONDED: Bev Tucker</p> <p>Sue Thomas will have some photos and information available at her house in keeping with the RAF theme. Also on display will be some features designed by children from the National Autistic Society.</p> <p>Pauline Priestman will pass on details to the CGA of a Pilot from RAF locking who will attend the lunch.</p> <p>The chairman will contact the Lions to see who is planting the Floral Clock this year.</p>
8.	<p>Presentation Event – Yeovil Thursday 4th October</p> <p>The CGA asked that anyone who wishes to attend the awards on the 4th October to email her before the end of May.</p> <p>Tickets are £18 each and depending on how many people are attending travel will be arranged accordingly.</p>
9.	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>It was agreed that come the Autumn the two trees will be planted at the end of Ebdon Road due to no objection from Alliance Homes and no response from residents.</p>
10.	<p>Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 26th June 2018 at 11.00am</p>

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at: 11.55 am

Signed:

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