

Minutes of the Meeting of Great Coates in Bloom Committee held at 7.30 pm at the Village Hall, Cooks Lane, Great Coates, Grimsby, DN37 9NW on 12 February 2020

Present: Cllr M. Stewart (Chair), Carl Thomas, Marilyn Wimsey, Tom Wimsey, Gerry Smith, Maggs Astley-Mudie, Janet Trowbridge, Mike Hunt, Dawn Stewart, Chris Dunn,
Members of public present: 0

- 1 To receive apologies and reasons for absence - Ref: 408**
None
- 2 To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members’ Register of Interests. - Ref: 409**
None
- 3 To approve minutes from last meeting. - Ref: 410**
It was resolved to approve the minutes as a true record
Proposed: Carl Thomas Seconder: Mike Stewart All in favour
- 4 Finance report - Ref: 411**
Carl Thomas read a brief summary of the finance with a closing balance of £1019.79.
- 5 In bloom competition - Ref: 413**
The route was discussed and agreed by all present.
- 6 Haywain - Ref: 414**
The group had been offered a Hay Wain by Habrough In Bloom and it was agreed to accept the gift which would require some work. Chris Dunn offered to store the hay wain on his drive until the work had been completed. The chair thanked him for this offer. It was agreed to locate the Hay Wain where the old re-cycle bins were located.
- 7 Bike rubbing and painting - Ref: 420**
Two bikes had been obtained which required rubbing down and painting. It was suggested to paint one red and site near the kissing gate on Station Road and the second to be painted black and located outside the Old Police House on Woad Lane.
- 8 Benches to be wiped down and re-oiled - Ref: 421**
It was suggested the the benches located throughout the village be cleaned and painted as necessary together with the woen planters.
- 9 Boxes on Herbert Rollet Way - Ref: 425**
It was suggested to place 4 additional metal planters along Herbert Rollett way. This was approved although concern was raised at watering the plants. This area also required weeding prior to summer cutting.
- 10 Sponsorship & funding - Ref: 415**
Carl Thomas suggested a sponsorship scheme being marketed to all companies on the industrial estate amounting to 130 companies.
- 11 Railway Station sdoption - Ref: 416**
Members were informed of the possible adoption of the railway. Talks had taken place with Norrthern Rail and the Barton to Cleethorpes Partnership and it was hoped to have a representative at the next meeting.
- 12 Scarecrow weekend - Ref: 417**
The dates of 27/28 Jun were confirmed.
- 13 Litterpick event - Ref: 418**
A date of 20th March was agreed starting at 10 am at the Church.
- 14 Grass Cutting in the village - Ref: 419**

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Carl Thomas confirmed that the Council had agreed to take over all verge cutting in Great Coates under an agreement with NELC. This would benefit the village in grass cutting would be more frequent than last year aiming for a cut every two weeks.

15 New areas on Woad Lane - Ref: 422

A 'mound' had been created on Woad Lane near the commemorative bench. This mound was to be sponsored by Dalkia and would be themed throughout the year initially being planted in a 75 shape to mark VE day.

17 Easter chair display - Ref: 423

6 dining room chairs had been obtained and these would be planted with flowers within a basket where the seat would normally be. Mags and Janet offered to assist in planting and suggested locations included Cooks Lane, school nursery, Footpath 49 and the church.

18 Nursery bug hut and bird boxes - Ref: 424

A working party was sought to undertake the bug hut refurbishment and to plant new plants inside the nursery. Gerry was still making bird boxes for the school.

19 Date of next meeting - Wednesday 11th March 2020 - Ref: 412

Meeting closed at 8.45

Signature: