

**Minutes of the Great Coates In Bloom Committee Meeting
held at 7.30 pm
in the Village Hall, Cooks Lane, Great Coates on 13th March 2019**

Present: Mike Stewart, Gerald Smith, Janet Trowbridge, Tony Rutherford, Jeanne Rutherford, Dawn Stewart, Michael Hunt, Maggie Astley-Mudie, Tom Wimsey, Marilyn Wimsey, Sophie Nicolam, Carl Thomas (in advisory capacity)

1 To Receive apologies and reasons for absence - Ref 19/146

Shiney Thomas, Debbie Humphrey

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 19/147

None

3 To approve the minutes from the meeting held on 13th March 2019 – Ref 19/148

Resolved to be a true record.

4 Report On Activities Since Last Meeting – Ref 19/149

Memory Boxes – 8 boxes still for sale. All to keep checking boxes when passing, still secure, dead heading etc watering on going by those who agreed to do.

General tidy need through village. Bench in Woad Lane needs cleaning. Branches need cutting back. 3 pots and crosses near railway in memory of those who have died at railway. Network Rail happy for the area to be used.

Thurs 10 April – working party on traffic island, The Avenue and Station Road areas. Cowbriars looking good, still needs topping up with compost.

Bug huts placed in wild area near Village Hall. Parish Council have arranged for a laurel hedge to be planted along side of paddock.

Numerous members growing seeds for summer display.

Bus stop – Village Council to contact Stagecoach.

No reply from Sutton estates re placing of 2nd bench

6th June Manor Farm House – resident has given permission to use wall for display.

Scarecrow Weekend 29/30th June. Village Council summer fair same weekend. Combine two events. Email entries or post at Village Hall. Put details in June village magazine or newsletter to capture as many as possible.

Area near Allington Drive- Council responsibility.

Carl Thomas to laminate some Great Coates in Bloom signs.

The green hearts around village W.I. Greener environment.

Church bench to be dedicated 6th June.

Date of next meeting – Wednesday 8th May 2019 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 20.25