

**Minutes of the Great Coates in Bloom Committee held at 7.00 pm
at the Venue in the Village, Cooks Lane, Great Coates, Grimsby, DN37 9NW on 18 April 2024**

Present: Cllr M. Stewart (Chair), Cllr C. Dunn, D. Stewart, T. McBride, T. Wimsey, M. Wimsey,
J. Sylvester, A. Riggall, M. Hunt, F. Dunn,
In Attendance: C. Thomas (Clerk),
Members of public present: 0

- 1 Memorial to Gerry Smith - Ref: 2592**
A minutes silence was held in memory of one of the founder members, member Gerry Smith.
- 2 To receive apologies and reasons for absence - Ref: 2593**
J. Scoffin & C. Forrester
- 3 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: 2594**
None
- 4 To approve minutes from last meeting. - Ref: 2595**
It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21st March as a true record.
- 5 Finance Report - Ref: 2596**
The Clerk confirmed that the current year budget was £3000 thanks to Great Coates Village Council and Freshney Ward Councillors.
Barton Cleethorpes Community Rail Partnership had donated £150 and East Midlands Railway were expected to donate £250.
- 6 EMIB/BIB updates - Ref: 2597**
There was no update on East Midlands in Bloom.
Britain in Bloom judges will be visiting the village on 9th August 2024.
- 7 Memorial Bench's - Ref: 2598**
The new memorial bench was in position on Tommy's Mound.
The existing bench would be relocated to the verge alongside the entrance to Pine Close.
- 8 Railway station uupdate - Ref: 2599**
Further work had been completed at the railway station with the extension of the King Charles Garden nearing completion with the installation of a small pond and laying of bark chip all around.
- 9 Summer planting - Ref: 2600**
This was expected to take place during the first two weeks of June.
- 10 Working party dates - Ref: 2601**
Various dates were discussed and agreed.
- 11 Date of next meeting - 16 May 24 - Ref: 2602**

Meeting closed at 8:15 pm

These are draft minutes and have not been formally approved and adopted