

Minutes Wednesday June 17th 2015 at St John's Church at 11a.m

2. Minutes of last meeting Wednesday May 20th 2015 proposed James and seconded by Gail

3. Matters arising.

4. Financial Report.

5. Report Calendar 2016. Photographic Competition Results and Sponsors

A convivial evening was held to select the photographs for the Calendar from those submitted on line. The results look very good. Lynne is to do a piece for the front page. The logos for new sponsors are ready but some of last year's sponsors want to update their logos and this is in hand. Kath has some sponsor money and others have paid by electronic transfer

6. Yorkshire in Bloom. The date for Summer Judging is July 8th at 10.30am meeting at St John's with Judges Ms Beatrice Myers and Mr Jack Mears. The draft Route was circulated for comments for and amendments and considered to be OK Names to be added to specific sites. .

The Awards Ceremony at York Racecourse on Tuesday September 8th. Four places available to attend There are also possibly three more places.

Margaret will make a list for food needed and will bring it next week.

New criteria for YiB judging for next year will be circulated for discussion at the next meeting in July.

7. Feedback from Britain in Bloom Judging 2014. As a new entry in BiB we have been asked to provide feedback for a judges training day. Some comments were --lot of pressure in the team and a lot of upset; far too structured.

Some of the Judges' comments were not relevant to our village and seemed to be pushing us where we did not want to go.

8. Planting Progress for Summer 2015.

It was felt that the quality and colour of plants were disappointing as none of the geraniums are violet so we have we have pink and a different pink.

Maybe we should go back to Horticulture for next year's plants if we can arrange a deliver service.

The tubs, including the new ones, are still to do and we need to help Alison with planting them.

We need a full working party in the recreation ground as the weeds are thriving there.

Paul M has some spare plants:- geraniums, marigolds, and alyssum. Chris is to go to collect on Thursday afternoon

9. Planting Shrubs and walls at Cricket Club.

Paul S is agreeable to siting a water butt on the cricket pavilion, which will help with the barrels at the Sutcliffe Memorial. We have some rowan trees, hebes and other shrubs for them to plant. Plants for the wall are being grown on ready for autumn planting.

When she last visited, Naomi Goddard from Kirklees indicated that we could trim the trees in Rec as long as we only use hand tools.

10. Garden Trail July 11th Alison is making good progress with organising the Garden Trail. She is hoping for lots of volunteers on the day to help and will compile a rota as last time. There is to be a meeting about the food for the day.

We set a date for Garden Trail 2016 so that it can be printed on the Calendar. Saturday July 9th 2016.

Format of Garden Trail for next year will be discussed later.

11. Plans for Telephone Box for Autumn and Christmas.

John and Tricia have created an excellent display a potting shed for summer with a water feature for summer.

Autumn -Halloween

November -Poppies

Christmas -John has offered to make an Advent calendar. He is to finalize the design.

12. Round the Team. Sharing information and queries.

Lynne has been writing in the book each week and hoped someone else would like to take it on but there were no offers to take over.

Anita wishes to have a source of water at Chip shop.

The hose pipe has moved from the trellis and is to be replaced there.

Gail wondered if we could have a trellis (similar to the new one by the Water barrels at Croft House) at Fish Shop.

A list of items we need is:-

hosepipes,

2 wheel Barrows,

Expanding circular carriers

Trugs

2 new forks.

13. Future Meeting times and dates.

We have been meeting on a Wednesday morning rather than a Tuesday evening for 3 months and attendance has improved.

A vote was taken on the time of future meetings

Wednesday mornings 7

Tuesday evening 5

It was suggested that on meeting dates we start at 9 am and have coffee and meeting at 11.30 a.m so that we are not losing valuable working time.

14. Preschool children have made a bug hotel; planted wildflower seeds and this morning have planted sweet peas on the trellis.

15. New Gates to Recreation Ground are ready and project is ongoing,

16. Trip to Harrogate Autumn Flower Show, Tricia has now a complete list of names

17. AOB

Gail suggested a gate and archway at the small entrance to the Rec.

Roger has formalised her design and submitted it directly to Naomi Goddard for approval.

Date of next meeting will be at or Wednesday July 22nd at 11.30 at the Meeting Room in St John's