The Stokesley **Pride-in-our-Town Association**



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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10th September 2018

Attending: Linda Purnell (Chair), Fiona Wilson, Ajit Patel, Fred Lee, Mike Irving, Lovaine Irving,

Caroline Rathmell, Derek Whiting, David Scott.

Apologies: Adrian Rathmell, Alan Weighell, Jill Lee, Tricia Lee, Ken Ridgeway,

Matters arising from previous minutes:

Julie reports that the council complains regularly about the Barclays site so SPIOTA does not need to get involved.

The plaques are not yet ready because Stokesley Signs has recently moved and is still catching up. The small bed will have extra compost from the tubs and a cotoneaster and azaleas to discourage further damage.

- 1. <u>Moving the tubs and Ziggurat</u> The affected tubs were emptied on Thursday and moved on Sunday. The Ziggurat is to be moved on Thursday 13th September and stored at Millbry Hill ready for the fair and until after Stokesley Food Week in October. The tubs will be returned to their usual positions on October 7th and on the 11th fertiliser and top-up compost will be added where necessary, ready for winter planting:
- 2. <u>Winter Planting</u> Saturday 13th October is tubs planting day. On 18th October the beds and roundabouts will be planted and on 25th October the bulbs. The Ziggurat will have shrubs and polyanthus.
- 3. <u>The Coffee morning</u>. This went well, with the tombola ever popular, with a constant supply of prizes. Thanks to all who were involved, with special thanks to Fred and Lovaine. Any remaining prizes will be donated to the Friends of the Town Hall.
- 4. A.G.M. has been booked for 22nd October.
- 5. <u>Tubs which are no longer sponsored</u> will be taken out of commission. A number have collapsed and will be replaced. Two tubs will be sponsored by Cobblestones. They will be within the railings and the company will water them.
- 6. <u>The Ziggurat.</u> This summer's display has been so successful it will be repeated next year. The new troughs will be needed for the spring planting.
- 7. <u>Treasurer's report</u>: The report was presented. Mr Crow's cheque covers the extra help required for tub moving days and a cup of coffee for everyone involved at 'Il Mulino' afterwards. The proceeds of the coffee morning and Parish council contribution were banked. There is enough to cover current expenses.
- 8. <u>Thursday Gang</u> Tidying, dead-heading and weeding ready for show week, then one week off during the fair. After that, work is described above with dates (fertiliser, top-up and planting).

Any Other Business

Sadly, Stokesley Gardening Club has decided to close. Following the constitution, the committee has decided to donate any remaining funds to SPIOTA. Many thanks to Terry Wiles, the chairman, for the cheque for £242.91, which will help to continue to beautify Stokesley.

The next meeting is the AGM on October 22nd.

The meeting was closed.