

WALMER IN BLOOM COMMITTEE

Minutes of the zoom online meeting of the Walmer in Bloom Committee held on Tuesday 12th January 2021 at 7.00 pm.

Present: Mrs S Le Chevalier, Mr D Thompson & Miss A Herring

Officer present: Sarah Plews

Also Present: Mr V Recas

1404. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies with reason were received and accepted from Cllr D Symonds

1405. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the Agenda.

1406. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The Walmer in Bloom Minutes of the meeting, held on Tuesday 20th October 2020, were approved as a correct record, and will be signed by the Chairman at the earliest convenience

1407. MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA.

Cllr Sue Le Chevalier requested that Richard Oram be Co-opted onto the Walmer in bloom committee, Cllr A Herring seconded the request. All members voted in agreement.

RECOMMENDATION: Mr V Recas be co-opted as a voting Member and members agreed that Mr V Recas will be a valuable member on the Walmer in Bloom committee. The Assistant Clerk will arrange for Mr V Recas to sign all necessary paperwork in due course including a DPI form.

i) *Mins 1402* Cllr D Thompson & Cllr D Symonds informed members of their New proposal at Drill Field

RESOLVED: That Cllr D Symonds and Cllr D Thompson advised members that they had met up at the site and will defer this item till the next agenda in order to provide more exact details

RESOLVED: Cllr D Thompson advised members that he and Cllr D Symonds had not had the opportunity to meet up and will update members at the next meeting on the 23rd of February

1408. HAWKSHILL

i) Management Issues

The Assistant Clerk advised members of an email received from Dover District Councils' Environmental Officer. The Environmental officer had attended land owned by Walmer Parish Council, and has identified waste that has been deposited on it, therefore requested us to remove it

RESOLVED: The Assistant Clerk advised members that this had been arranged.

ii) To receive a verbal report from Cllr D Thompson

Cllr D Thompson advised members that he had been tending to various works up at Hawkshill, however, he was advised that due to the stay-at-home rule, he should cease from any further works until advised otherwise

RESOLVED: Cllr D Thompson agreed

iii) Members received information from DDC regarding unauthorised encampments

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note

1409. LOCAL CAMPAIGN 2021

(A) FLORAL DISPLAYS

(i) To receive an update on: -

a) Fixed planters - autumn/winter planting.

i) The Assistant Clerk raised a concern that the two planters adjacent to Walmer Parish Hall required a new member to tend to them

RESOLVED: Mr V Recas advised members that he would happily take on this responsibility on Behalf of Walmer in Bloom

ii) The Assistant Clerk advised members that the new planter for the Drill field has now been delivered to our approved contractor, Mr S Chapman

RESOLVED: That the Assistant Clerk thanks Mr S Chapman for taking delivery. however, members agreed that until the stay-at-home rule has been lifted, the Assistant Clerk informs Mr S Chapman, that a date will be arranged at the earliest convenience for him to meet with Cllr S Le Chevalier and Mr D Thompson.

Cllr S Le Chevalier requested that The Assistant Clerk contacts Mr S Chapman to ask for a quote to be provided for any costs implicated to far.

b) Erection of hanging baskets along the seafront.

The Assistant Clerk advised members that Youngs Nursery have our baskets ready to plant up for this year's floral displays. Mr S Chapman will liaise with Youngs Nursery and the Assistant Clerk

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note

c) DDC planting schedule for 2021.

The Assistant Clerk advised members that she had requested information regarding DDC's planting schedule particularly colour schemes. Unfortunately DDC had yet to reply.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note

(ii) To consider: -

a) Sponsorship.

Members considered contacting local organisations to request sponsorship for the 2021 Campaign

RESOLVED: Members all agreed that this year Walmer in Bloom would not be contacting local organisations to request sponsorship for the 2021

(iii) To review maintenance contract and weed control.

Members received a draft copy of the maintenance contract, including weed control, for this year's Campaign.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to a couple of amendments that the Assistant Clerk will change. Members then agreed to note.

(B) KEY ACTIVITY DATES

To receive a draft copy of the Campaign's key activity dates for 2021.

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note.

(C) SCHOOL/YOUTH ACTIVITIES

To consider: -

a) The School Poster Competition specification.

Members received a draft copy of this year’s 2021 School Poster competition specification to discuss.

RESOLVED: That the specification be slightly amended, and local schools be contacted immediately.

1410. BUDGET

(i) Members received a budget update for 2020/2021

RESOLVED: Members agreed to note.

1411. ISSUES FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

S & SE in Bloom 2021 (To ensure Cllr D Thompson has received hard paper copies)

1412. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Zoom Online on Tuesday the 23rd of February 2021 at 19:00

The meeting closed at 20:00pm.

Signed_____

Dated_____