



**WALMER TOWN COUNCIL**

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**Draft Minutes of the meeting of the Walmer in Bloom Committee held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 62 The Strand, Walmer, at 7.00 pm.**

**Present:**

**Cllr L Ludwig (Chairing)**  
**Cllr D Richardson**  
**Cllr P Findley**  
**Cllr S Waite-Gleave**  
**Mrs D Bogue**  
**Miss A Late**

**Officers present:**

**John Miles (Administration Officer)**

**439. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received Cllr E Crockford, Cllr P Findley

**440. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None Submitted

**441. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes be taken as an accurate record with one minor change to Entry 345.

Proposed by: Cllr Richardson

Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig

For 4

Against 0

Abstain 0

**442. QUESTIONS AND/OR OBSERVATIONS FROM THE ELECTORATE OF WALMER**

None

**443. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

- I. The Brushcutting course was completed by six volunteers at Hawkshill Freedown.
- II. Information was given to volunteers on course regarding Health and Safety Reports, PPE and Servicing of the tools. Cllr P Ludwig and Admin to review and put processes in place.
- III. Chair submitted article to local press praising the volunteers at Hawkshill Freedown.

**444. ADMIN REPORT**

- I. **NOTED:** Report has been forwarded to the committee members.
- II. Admin to confirm the date of the removal of the green waste from the Walmer Peace Gardens.
- III. Chain replacements for WIB baskets forwarded to committee members.  
**RESOLVED:** Chain replacement to go ahead immediately.  
Proposed by: Cllr L Ludwig  
Seconded by: Cllr Waite Gleave  
For 4                      Against 0                      Abstain 0

#### 445. CHANGE OF NAME FOR COMMITTEE

- I. **RESOLVED:** The current name for the Walmer In Bloom committee will not be changed  
Proposed by: Cllr Richardson  
Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig  
For 4                      Against 0                      Abstain 0

#### 446. HAWKSHILL

- I. **RESOLVED:** That a woodland path will not be installed at Hawkshill Freedown due to the following reasons
  - Hawkshill is a conservation area
  - The preservation of the wildlife corridor with the increase of development is even more important.
Proposed by: Cllr P Ludwig  
Seconded by: Cllr Waite Gleave  
For 4                      Against 0                      Abstain 0

#### 447. TRAINING COURSES

- I. A training course regarding dry and living hedge planting has been suggested, Cllrs L and P Ludwig to confirm.
- II. Any further ideas to be brought to following meetings.

#### 448. WALMER PEACE GARDENS

- I. An update regarding the peace gardens was received from Mrs D Bogue.
  - a. The new header was received by the WPG committee for the notice board.
- II. Compost bins are no longer required by the peace gardens.

#### 449. LOCAL CAMPAIGN 2024

##### FLORAL DISPLAYS

- I. To confirm quotes from Youngs and Chapmans.  
**RESOLVED:** The quote from Young's Nursery to be accepted for the WIB campaign 2025  
Proposed by: Cllr P Ludwig  
Seconded by: Cllr Richardson  
For 4                      Against 0                      Abstain 0
- II. **RESOLVED:** The quote from Chapman Landscape to be accepted for the WIB campaign 2025  
Proposed by: Cllr Richardson  
Seconded by: P Ludwig  
For 4                      Against 0                      Abstain 0

- III. Councillors to consider if they have any ideas, otherwise Youngs to be asked for flower types.

#### KEY ACTIVITY DATES

- I. **Noted:** Changes to be made to key activity days through March to May

#### SCHOOL AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- I. **RESOLVED:** A letter written by Cllr Richardson with a template for an entry form will be forwarded to the local schools. Four winners- two from each school will be decided on.  
Proposed by: Cllr P Ludwig  
Seconded by: Cllr Richardson  
For 4                      Against 0                      Abstain 0

#### WIB PRESENTATION

- I. Cllr Richardson and Admin to research costs for presentation possibilities at Walmer Castle and Sea Scout Hut.

#### 450. SOUTH AND SOUTH EAST IN BLOOM

- I. **RESOLVED:** Chair and Admin to look into each of the possible categories for SSEIB.  
Proposed by: Cllr L Ludwig  
Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig  
For 3                      Against 0                      Abstain 1

- II. Admin to contact RHS Judge regarding Walmer In Bloom.

#### 451. MEETING DATES

- I. **RESOLVED:** Dates confirmed and meetings to be moved to 17:30  
Proposed by: Cllr L Richardson  
Seconded by: Cllr P Ludwig  
For 4                      Against 0                      Abstain 0

#### 452. ISSUES FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

- I. Colours for the WIB Campaign

#### 453. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 17:30

The meeting closed at 20:30

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_