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Minutes of Credon Town Council's Floral Credon Committee Meeting, held on Tuesday, 27th January 2015, at 6.00 pm, at the Council Chamber, Market Street

Present: Cllrs Mr M Szabo, Mr F Letch and Miss J Harris

Absent: Cllr Mrs G Ford

In Attendance: Miss E Lucas, Administrative Assistant
Mr Bert Jewell

13 To receive and accept apologies

No apologies received. Members agreed it was necessary to ensure Cllr Ford was aware that she was on this committee.

14 Declarations of Interest

None declared.

15 Order of Business

There were no changes to the order of business.

16 Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements

Cllr Szabo explained that one of the stumps being removed at Peoples Park actually made a good wildlife feature and it was a shame that it was now gone. Cllr Szabo also requested that an enquiry was made as to whether the chippings from this work could be used on the Wildlife Area.

17 Floral Credon Committee Minutes – To approve and sign the minutes of the Floral Credon Committee Meeting held on 11th November 2014, as a correct record. Copies had been circulated with the agenda. It was **resolved** to approve, and sign, the minutes of the Floral Credon Committee Meeting held on 11th November 2014, as a correct record. (Proposed by Cllr Harris, seconded by Cllr Letch)

18 Matters Arising - At the direction of the Chairman, to report on matters arising from the minutes of the Floral Credon Committee held on 11th November 2014, for information only. There were no matters arising.

19 To receive an update on the following:

- **Three tier planter displays on the Town Square**

The Administrative Assistant advised members that she had contacted Broxap and found out the planters do not have a built in water reservoir. The Administrative Assistant explained that, after talking to Mr Jewell prior to the meeting, the council could create its own water reservoirs relatively easily, although this would incur an additional cost. Members agreed to asses possible options once the planters had arrived. Broxap also advised that as the baskets are made from galvanised steel, lining was not required.

It was **resolved** to continue with the order of four three tier planters from Broxap at a cost of £700 each plus VAT. (Proposed by Cllr Letch, seconded by Cllr Harris)

The Administrative Assistant also advised members that negotiations were currently taking place regarding delivery, therefore it might be slightly cheaper than initially thought.

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Members were advised that there is a 5-6 week delivery lead time from placing the order, however, a preferred delivery week can be requested. The Administrative Assistant also explained that the planters will be delivered to the Town Square, therefore will need filling as soon as they arrive. Cllr Szabo and Mr Jewell volunteered to do this. It was resolved to order the planters in the first week of March in order for the planters to arrive mid April 2015 (Proposed by Cllr Letch, seconded by Cllr Harris).

The Administrative Assistant provided three quotes for compost. After discussing various options it was resolved for members to obtain further quotes to be considered at the next Floral Crediton Committee Meeting (Proposed by Cllr Harris, seconded by Cllr Letch).

The Administrative Assistant agreed to contact Broxap to find out how much compost would be required and to pass this information on to the committee members.

- **Planting of poppy seeds in the beds at the war memorial and a sponsored community bed**

It was resolved for the Administrative Assistant to contact Jenni Pitts regarding the planting of the beds at the war memorial and the two wishing wells (Proposed by Cllr Harris, seconded by Cllr Letch).

After looking at the possibility of a sponsored community bed Mr Jewell and Cllr Letch advised members that the bed looks presentable and tidy, therefore it was resolved to leave the bed as it is. (Proposed by Cllr Harris, seconded by Cllr Letch)

- **Enhancements to the two small sites at the junction of Mill Street and East Street and the grassed area outside Buccaneers**

The Administrative Assistant advised members that she had been unable to get in contact with Mr Jelliman, therefore was still waiting on a report.

- **Having hanging baskets on Redvers House every year**

The Administrative Assistant advised members that Redvers House had been contacted again, however, a compromise had not been reached due to the ongoing safety concerns regarding residents slipping on the wet petals and leaves. In addition residents have also complained about being woken up by the watering system being used early in the morning.

20 To consider the Floral Crediton Competition, which is run by the Town Council, and to agree:

- **Categories**

The Administrative Assistant distributed a revised draft entry form using categories suggested by Mr Jewell prior to the meeting:

- Small formal garden (With or without veg)
- Large formal garden (With or without veg)
- Small Managed Natural garden (With emphasis on wildlife)
- Large Managed Natural garden (With emphasis on wildlife)
- Family garden (To include play/recreation area)
- Patio or hanging baskets and other outdoor planted containers.

It was resolved to approve the new categories with the addition of the Mayor's Favourite. (Proposed by Cllr Letch, seconded by Cllr Harris)

- **Date for judging**

It was **resolved** for judging to take place on Tuesday 21st July 2015 and the date for last entries to be 3rd July 2015 (Proposed by Cllr Letch, seconded by Cllr Harris). It was further **resolved** for the judging date to be included on the entry form, as opposed to sending out letters (Proposed by Cllr Letch, seconded by Cllr Szabo).

- 21 **To receive an update from Cllr Szabo on the *It's Your Neighbourhood Awards Competition*.** Cllr Szabo provided members with an update. Members were advised that all eight entries from last year will automatically be entered this year and no late entries will be accepted. Cllr Szabo also explained that there was a new category this year for parks, in which he thought it would be a good idea to involve Newcombes Meadow Play Area. The criteria for entry is based on groups being voluntary led and Cllr Szabo explained he would get in contact with potential entrants including, Rotary Clubs, the allotments, Lions Club, Age Concern and Friends of Chiddenbrook Surgery. Members discussed other possible areas for entry including Peoples Park, the Wildlife Area and a grassed area at Cockles Rise.

Cllr Szabo confirmed the deadline for entries is 13th March 2015.

The Administrative Assistant advised members that the Courier had been asked to run an article encouraging community groups and organisations to take part, and also confirming the last date for entries as well as Cllr Szabo being the main point of contact.

Cllr Szabo explained that anyone interested in entering the *It's Your Neighbourhood Awards Competition* should contact himself or enter online by going to www.southwestinbloom.org.uk.

- 22 **Business brought forward**
There was no business brought forward.

- 23 **Close**
The meeting closed at 6.50 pm

Signed.. 
(Chairman)

Date: 26 / 1 / 16