

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE IN BLOOM COMMITTEE HELD MONDAY 7 OCTOBER AT 10.00am AT ST JOHN'S CHAPEL.

PRESENT: Councillors: John Nelson

Chris Beal (Amber Valley Borough Council) David Fisher (Friends of Belper Parks)
Diane Goldthorpe (Milford Gardening Group) Ann Pocklington (Well Dressing
committee)

Rosalind Bullimore (Clerk)

045 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Simon Black, Trevor Griffin, John Weaver and Tim Troman.

046 MINUTES OF THE IN BLOOM COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 27 JUNE 2011

RESOLVED to agree as a true record Minutes 32 - 44 of the In Bloom Committee Meeting held 27 June 2011.

047 2011 RESULTS

Belper Town Council came first in the large town category and received a Gold Award and has subsequently been nominated to represent the East Midlands in the Britain in Bloom 2012 competition. **RESOLVED** Belper to enter both the East Midlands and Britain in Bloom 2012 competitions.

Milford came second in the Village category and received a Silver Award a fantastic achievement for a first time entry. The Milford gardening group felt that they could not devote the time effort to enter the 2012 competition. The gardening club would still like to stay involved with the Belper In Bloom campaign **RESOLVED** Clerk to contact other Milford community groups to see if they would like to participate and submit an entry for Milford.

048 2012 CAMPAIGN

- The committee agreed on a Queens Diamond Jubilee theme for the 2012 entry.
- 60 million free trees available for planting to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee. **RESOLVED** the committee agreed to identify suitable areas where the trees can be planted.
- RHS are offering 10m2 free wild flowers seeds for sowing in April 2012 to all registered 'In Bloom' and it's your Neighbourhood groups **RESOLVED** to register for a pack of free wildflower seeds.
- The Borough Council has donated 100 daffodil bulbs to the Milford gardening group **RESOLVED** to plant the bulbs near the new bus stop at Milford.
- Permission has been granted from the County Council for a 'Welcome to Belper' feature on the Flying Geese island **RESOLVED** Clerk to contact the Fleet Arts project to ask if they would like to create a design for the feature.
- Clerk to contact the local High School to ask if any of their photographic students would like to use Belper's in Bloom campaign for their A level portfolio.

049 PUBLICITY

Clerk to create a separate page on the Town Council website for the In Bloom campaign.

Clerk to advertise the competition on the Town Council notice boards in their newsletter, on the social media page and in the local press.

The committee agreed to arrange a competition titled 'What does the Belper in Bloom mean to you?'

050 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of next meeting TBC.