

# The Stokesley Pride-in-our-Town Association

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## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 28<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2013

Attending – Linda Purnell (Chair) – David Scott, Eric Lee, Derek Whiting, Ken Ridgeway, George Carter, Fred and Trish Lee and Jill Lee.

Apologies – Mike and Lovaine Irving, Michael Scott and Alan Weighell.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were accepted, and the Annual Reports followed.

In her report, the Chairman, Mrs Purnell reported another successful year for Spiota. The floral displays in the spring and the summer were outstanding and drew many compliments from the public. Thanks were expressed to Rainbow Nurseries and all who helped with the planting and the watering, but also it was thanks to the weather that the plants did so well. The ziggurat in the market place has continued to dominate our thoughts with many man hours being spent on deciding the best form of lighting, but we are pleased to report that this is now going ahead in the next week or two. Thanks are due to Ken Ridgeway for all his hard work and for designing the central disc to aid the removal and replacement of the ziggurat each year for the fair in show week.

Thanks were also expressed to Fred Lee for his tenacity in gaining sponsorship for the roundabouts and also for collecting many tombola prizes for our coffee morning. Spiota has also received a considerable donation from the Fiddler family to be used to enhance the Mill Wheel site. The Fiddler family now reside in Australia but have links to the original mill.

Sadly, our webmaster Joe Richardson passed away in December. He did a wonderful job for which we were most grateful, and he even found a successor for us – Steven Brown, who has updated our website and included a video clip. Thanks to Steven and to George Carter for allowing the filming to take place in his garden.

Eric Lee, treasurer for many years has stepped down and this role has been taken over by Trish Lee. Thanks were expressed to Eric for his years of service and to Trish for taking over.

Mrs Purnell concluded with thanks to all who help Spiota throughout the year, saying that without all the volunteers Spiota would not continue to exist.

The Treasurer's Report followed and after certain points were clarified this report was adopted.

All officers agreed to carry on for another year.

Mr George Carter gave a vote of thanks and appreciation to all the committee and volunteers.