The Stokesley Pride-in-our-Town Association



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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20th November2023

Attending:Linda Purnell, Fiona Wilson, Ajit Patel, Caroline Rathmell, Adrian Rathmell, Jenny Strachan,
Helen Fletcher, Derek Whiting, Ken Ridgeway, Susan Sutton, Mark Christie.Apologies:None

The Minutes of the previous Committee Meeting were accepted.

Matters arising from previous Minutes:

- 1. <u>Window Boxes:</u> So far these are a success. We shall order plants for them from Rainbow Nursery. The Town Hall stewards are helping with watering them.
- 2. <u>Summer Planting:</u> After the success of last summer we will use similar plants next year. The conifers are popular so we shall add some to the tubs on West Green.
- 3. <u>New Year Lunch:</u> Our annual lunch will be on a Wednesday in mid January at 'The Bay Horse' in Broughton.
- 4. <u>Stokesley Masonic Lodge</u>: The Lodge has promised a donation to SPIOTA. Our new chairperson will attend a Masonic Dinner on 18th Dec. and we shall have a stall at the coffee morning on December 9th.
- 5. <u>The Stokesley Podiatrist:</u> has offered to pay for two of the new tubs.
- 6. <u>Change of Chairperson:</u> After many years of service to SPIOTA Linda has decided it is time to step down. Caroline Rathmell is taking her place. Our gratitude to Linda was expressed, also to Caroline for stepping up and to Jenny and Helen for taking on some of the work load.

<u>Treasurer's report</u>: Briefly, the measures taken to reduce expenditure and increase income have helped to balance the books. Further detail will be provided at the next meeting. The window boxes have been sponsored.

Thursday Gang: Provided the weeds are under control there will be no more work until the spring.

Any other business: A small celebration of Linda's service was held at the end of the meeting.

Next meeting: To be confirmed,

The meeting was closed at 20.00 hrs.