

The Stokesley Pride-in-our-Town Association



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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13th MAY 2024

Chair's Welcome.

Attending: Caroline Rathmell (Chair), Fiona Wilson (Secretary), Ajit Patel (Treasurer), Ken Ridgeway, Sue Sutton, Jenny Strachan, Adrian Rathmell.

Apologies: Linda Purnell, Helen Fletcher.

The Minutes of the previous Committee Meeting were accepted.

Matters arising from previous Minutes:

1. The seat outside the primary school had rotted. A lady has sponsored a new one and a new sleeper has been fitted behind it to support the soil behind. As the bin has been removed Julie will be consulted about a replacement and liaison with the school.
2. Update on tub replacements and grant. As so many are being purchased the possibility of a discount was discussed. Our councillor has confirmed there will be another grant this year and the Masons' donation is also for more tubs.
3. Stokesley Society. A joint venture was discussed but not agreed.
4. Mill Wheel Site. Bark purchase to tidy up the site and reduce weeds was discussed.
5. BBC Make a Difference Awards. SPIOTA is through to the final of the green category of this BBC local radio competition. Radio Tees announced it. It finishes in September.
6. Summer planting: The summer planting is fast approaching so the tubs need emptying except for the central conifers which must be saved and trimmed if necessary. This will be done on Thursday 16th May.

Treasurer's report: The funds have covered the expenses better this year as a result of the generosity of local businesses, tub sponsors and window box sponsors. Local businesses are supporting ten new tubs and three window boxes. There will be sufficient funds to cover the summer planting bill.

Thursday Gang: Tub emptying and top ups if necessary.

Any other business: The next batch of signs is ready.

Next meeting: To be confirmed.

The meeting was closed.