

The Stokesley Pride-in-our-Town Association

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2014

Chairman's Welcome

Attending – Linda Purnell (chair), David Scott, Michael Scott, Ken Ridgeway, Derek Whiting, Alan Weighell. George Carter, Eric and Jill Lee, Fred and Trish Lee, Mike Irving.
Apologies – Lovaine Irving.

Minutes of the previous meeting – Matters arising –

1. It was confirmed that the roundabout at Stokesley Motors can be included in the grass cutting contract.
2. The Coffee morning raised the sum of £389.90p – Thanks were expressed by the Chairman to Lovaine Irving for her work on the tombola, and to all the others both in the kitchen and waiting tables, and to Fred Lee for all the tombola prizes he was able to beg from the townsfolk and traders.
3. Seats – It was decided that we could afford to provide a new seat in the town – possibly on West Green. Jill suggested that perhaps such a seat could be sited away from the trees to avoid dampness and bird droppings. It is understood that the price of the new seats provided by the Parish Council is £600 each and that the ones at the Methodist Church were £400. The motion to provide a new seat was carried. The new seat would carry a plaque to the effect that it was provided by Spiota in addition to the original donor's plaque. Further to the question of seats Mike Irving undertook to follow up on the possibility of plastic slats for the existing iron frames. A firm in Co Durham – Glasdon – was put forward in this respect. Regarding wooden slats – an ongoing enquiry with Garry Bibby not having received a satisfactory answer – this order will be cancelled at the end of the month. Fred Lee will than follow up on a carpenter at Great Ayton.
4. The tub removal was very efficient, and the three helpers from Bezemers were much appreciated. With reference to the removal of the tubs at fair time it was questioned whether they could be dispersed around the town instead of stored out of sight, but this was not considered feasible. Also it was felt that the tubs on the bridge were not seen and would troughs along the bridge be a good idea? – again this was not thought feasible.
5. **THE TIME TABLE FOR THE RETURN OF THE TUBS AND THE ZIGGURAT -**
The troughs for the ziggurat which have been stored over the summer are to be returned to Rainbow this week. Derek, David, Fred, Ken, Linda and Bill have 4 each. On the 25th Thursday the beds and existing tubs are to be emptied. On the 28th Sunday the tubs are to be returned to position. Thursday 2nd October top up and feed the tubs. **SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER IS PLANTING DAY AND ALL HELPERS WILL BE VERY WELCOME.** Eric is to obtain 5 bags of manure and also compost in time for the 2nd, and Linda will obtain the fertiliser. Regarding the troughs on the cenotaph- two on the front are to be left empty for remembrance poppies to be planted later. The remaining troughs to be watered on the evening of the 3rd if the weather has been dry

6. The ziggurat lighting is to be organised this week.

Winter jobs for the Thursday gang – Prune the lavender at the Mill Wheel site.

Treasurer's Report – There is £100 to come from the Levenside Association and also £275 from Crowe's. Mike reported that in view of the generosity of Rotary in the funding of the ziggurat, they will not be making a contribution to Spiota this year.

Any Other Business – There has been a contact from the young Beavers who have to perform a community service – and it was agreed that they should plant some bulbs at the Mill Wheel site on Wednesday October 8th.

There is to be a riverside clean upon Sunday 5th starting at 10.0 a.m.

It is understood that the Levenside Association has received a large grant from Hambleton District Council for the enhancement of the riverside.

NEXT MEETING – OCTOBER 20TH 2014 IN THE TOWN HALL – 7.30 P.M.