## **COLNE IN BLOOM**

# Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 22.06.16 at 10.30am

Present: Dorothy Lord Chaired meeting

Susan Birchenough
Jenny Cadwallader
Jonathan Drinkwater
Heather Greaves
Alec Green
Patricia Hall
John Hamer
Anette Kilcoyne

Joanna Sagar (part of meeting)
Graham Sagar (part of meeting)

**Mary Wooltorton** 

**Sue Pollitt** 

Dorothy opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending and welcomed Joanna and Graham Sagar.

There were two items on the agenda, (1) The Garden Party and (2) The Judges route

# 1: The Garden Party – Saturday 25.6.16

Joanna and Graham Sagar had kindly offered to host The Garden Party on Saturday 25 June 2016 between 2.00pm a- 7.00pm at their home.

It was decided that there would be sandwiches (to be made by Mary Wooltorton and Susan Birchenough), tea and biscuits at £2.00, a cake stall (Jenny Cadwallader and Sue Pollitt offered to bake) and scones with jam and cream (to be arranged by Pat Hall).

There would be a raffle consisting of a book (donated by Mary Wooltorton) a voucher (donated by Scarlet Ribbons) and various other prizes to be collected. There would also be a tombola and Joanna asked for any donations towards this.

The members of Colne in Bloom that were able to help out on the day were asked to arrive at 1.00pm, there would be a dress code of smart/casual.

Dorothy said she would arrange for a press release in the Colne Times.

At this point Joanna and Graham Sagar left the meeting (although were invited to stay) and once again Dorothy thanked them for hosting the garden party.

## 2: The Judges' Route – Tuesday 5.7.16

The Judges route was discussed at length and it was felt a "dummy run" would take place on Monday 27.6.16 with Dorothy Lord, John Hamer (driver) and Alec Green. Lynne Drinkwater had

kindly offered the use of her car for the day of judging and Colne Tyres had kindly offered to valet the car.

The judges would be in Colne for 2.5 hrs and would start at The Alma. The judge's cars would be left at The Alma and they would be met at The Alma by Peter and Mandy. A lunch would be held at Primet Community Centre, Colne at 12 noon and it was agreed to cater for 40 people. As many members of Colne in Bloom would be in attendance to help with preparing the buffet lunch. Jenny Cadwallader and Sue Pollitt had agreed to do all the necessary shopping for this.

There were two extra viewings for the judges, one being Salisbury Street where (Mary ??) has a small front garden and backyard which she gives a splendid colourful display and the other would be the Open Gate venture – new allotments in Castle Road.

#### Any other business

Dorothy welcomed all new members.

Dorothy mentioned the hanging baskets at The Town Hall had been a disaster this year with problems with the in-situ watering system. New baskets had been ordered and would be in place prior to judging. Liberator would be charged for the new baskets. The window boxes at the Town Hall were also to be replaced and these were in progress – not necessarily prior to judging day.

Some members arranged to go to The Alma on the evening of Wednesday 22.6.16 for a general "weeding" session and Mary Wooltorton would go into Town to start the second lot of weeding in the precinct.

The plant invoice (including winter planting) had been paid and was a total of £13,000.

It was agreed by all that on the evening of Monday 4.7.16 there would be a general cleaning up of the area to be judged and surroundings.

There being no other business Dorothy brought the meeting to a close.