WELLS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE WELLS IN BLOOM COMMITTEE HELD IN THE INDICTMENT ROOM AT WELLS TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 14th JUNE 2012 AT 6.00pm.

- **PRESENT:** Councillors: M Brandon(The Mayor); A Gibson; D Unwin; T Robbins; C Price; J North; D Anderson.
- **IN ATTENDANCE:** Town Clerk: Mrs F White. Mrs B Beauchamp; Mr R Hole; Mrs L Bishop; Mrs J Jones; Mrs G North; Mr J Parkes.

12/28W ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The Mayor opened the meeting and called for nominations for Chairman. Cllr Gibson was proposed and seconded, there being no other nominations she was unanimously elected. Cllr Gibson took the Chair and thanked members for electing her; she nominated Mrs Gail North as her Honorary Vice-Chairman and called for a

nominated Mrs Gail North as her Honorary Vice-Chairman and called for a show of hands in support; all being in agreement Mrs North accepted and was appointed to this role.

12/29W APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs: J Mitchell; Mrs S Hanks; Mrs R Sweales; Mr John Woods; Mr T Whitman; Miss E Thorne.

12/30W DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None

12/31W MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on Thursday 22nd March 2012 were proposed, approved and signed.

12/32W MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC None present

12/33W PLANTING REPORT

The Chairman reported the Big Plant Out had been a great success; she thanked the Team for all their hard work. Remaining areas in need of attention were dealt with the day before this meeting; all that was needed now was some sunshine!

12/34W FINANCE

The Mayor gave the report. \pounds 5,616.24 has been received in sponsorship so far, with over \pounds 1,000 still to come in; this is a very good total in such difficult economic times and the support of the sponsors is much appreciated.

12/35W SCHOOL'S REPORT

Jenny Jones reported all 15 baskets were returned; they have not been hung yet due to the bad weather.

There is no painting competition this year.

The school gardens competition will be judged in a few weeks time.

12/36W WELLS IN BLOOM COMPETITION

The Gardens competition has 23 entries so far. Only 2 public houses have entered as yet but Mrs Bishop is visiting all to encourage more entries.

12/37W OPEN GARDENS EVENT

Advertising flyers and posters are ready for distribution and display. Advertising is booked in Country Gardens magazine. The Almshouses will provide teas on the Saturday afternoon. Mrs North is collecting a list of stewards and organizing the rota. Letters, mailing and administration is being sorted out by the City Council office.

12/38W ANY OTHER ITEMS FOR URGENT REPORT

- i. The Chairman will be organising a rota for weeding and deadheading during the summer months.
- ii. A bag of ribbons left from decorating the poles will be put into the Wells in Bloom store.
- **12/39W DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:** 6pm Thursday 25th October 2012