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Minutes of the Tiverton in Bloom Committee held on Monday 9th September 2019 at 5.30pm Mayoralty Room.

Present: Cllr’s W Burke, (Chair) S Griggs, (Vice Chair), D Knowles, David Garcia-Parejo, and Mrs P Grainger.

In attendance Mrs J Hubbard Assistant to the Town Clerk.

<p>105</p>	<p>Apologies Apologies were received from Cllr A Mulligan (away) and Cllr C Harrower (Away). Not present: Cllr N Davey (No apology received).</p>
<p>106</p>	<p>Declaration of Interest under the Code of Conduct There were no Declarations under the Code of Conduct declared at this stage of the meeting.</p>
<p>107</p>	<p>Minutes The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 17th June 2019 were adopted as a true record.</p>
<p>108</p>	<p>Matters arising that are not an agenda item. Cllr W Burke (Chair) informed the committee of his idea to retain some of the round planters currently in use within the town to plant up with spring bulbs and flowers. This would involve the planter sited on the roundabout near to the Mid Devon Leisure Centre, the planter on the Howden roundabout and the planter at the top of Bampton Street. All were keen to utilise the planters for spring planting. Cllr Burke informed that he would look into sourcing the bulbs ideally as donations from local suppliers. The suggested planting was for pansies in the bottom tiers with bulbs in the top tiers. Cllr W Burke asked if the committee could assist with raffle prizes for the Tiverton in Bloom Garden competition presentation evening.</p> <p>Cllr S Griggs (Vice Chair) addressed the committee to inform them of her idea of extending the Tiverton in Bloom Presentation invitation to the local traders of the town who took part in the decorating of their shop fronts to support Tiverton in Bloom on judging day. She suggested perhaps a certificate or a small prize could be given to encourage the traders into further participation and support for the event.</p>
<p>109</p>	<p>Confirmation of members attending South West in Bloom Awards Event. Councillors W Burke, D Knowles and his wife Mrs P Knowles, S Griggs, A Mulligan and Mrs P Grainger all confirmed their intention to attend the South West in Bloom Awards Event on the 11th October 2019 at the Atlantic Hotel Newquay. It was agreed for the members attending to meet outside the Town Hall at 7am in order to travel to the event in one car.</p>
<p>110</p>	<p>Update on the judging for the Pride in Parks Event date. The revised judging date for the judging of the Grand Western Canal and the People’s Park would now be Tuesday 17th September 2019. The canal would be judged at 10.45am</p>

	<p>followed by the People's Park at 12 noon. Members of the Tivvy Trowel Blazers had been invited and a request for assistance from the Mid Devon District Council's park team.</p>
111	<p>Diary of meetings and events for plan of action for Tiverton in Bloom 2019/20.</p> <p>Mrs P Grainger requested more frequent meetings for Tiverton in Bloom to be held in order to plan and prepare in plenty of time.</p> <p>Cllr D Garcia-Parejo asked for clarification on "more meetings" It was suggested to hold working party style meetings on a six weekly basis with a view of holding monthly ones closer to the judging of the town. The time of the meetings were agreed to be 5.30pm or after with most saying to avoid a Friday meeting.</p> <p>Cllr S Griggs suggested that a visit to view the users of the local BMX track could be integrated into the judging tour to give a fresh view of Tiverton.</p> <p>Cllr W Burke suggested discussing the re-scheduling of the date for the election of the new Chair and Vice Chair so that they could be given more time to be involved in the preparations.</p> <p>Cllr W Burke said that the committee needed to think about ways of generating fundraising and how they could involve and engage with outside bodies such as garden and community groups.</p> <p>He went on to say that sadly due to new health and safety rules it was likely that most primary schools would be unable to take part in future Tiverton in Bloom competitions due to the dangers of using equipment such as forks and other implements and the hazards of having glass greenhouses.</p>
112	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Monday 14th October 2019 at 5.30pm.</p>