

Hailsham In Bloom Sub-Committee

Report (Minutes) of the Hailsham in Bloom Sub-Committee held in the Fleur de Lys Council Chamber/Meeting Room, Town Council Offices, Inglenook, Market Street, Hailsham, on Wednesday 12th May 2010 at 19.30hrs.

Members Present:

- Cllrs J. Bentley-Astor (Chairman), J. Puttick (Vice-Chairman), Mrs M. Rowe
- Miss C. Bentley-Astor – *Youth Representative*
- Mr L. Lovelady – *Hailsham Lions' Club*
- Mrs J. Simes – *Environment Hailsham*
- Mr R. Grocock – *Resident*
- Mrs S. Rakha – *Resident*
- Mrs B. Henderson, Mr J. Henderson, Mrs J. Woodley – *Hailsham Horticultural Society*

Officers in Attendance:

- T. Hall
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1. Apologies for Absence

- These were received from Cllr B. Bentley and Cllr Mrs J. Bentley.

2. Declaration of Interest

- None were received.

3. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

- The minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 28th April 2010 were confirmed as a true and correct record.

4. Orchard & Sensory Garden

- The Chairman reported that around half of the plants required for the sensory garden have been delivered and are currently in storage until the official planting day on Sunday 23rd May 2010. The remaining plants are due to be delivered within the next seven days.
- The Chairman reported that the garden's hard landscaping has been undertaken successfully and details of progress on the project to date has been posted on Hailsham In Bloom's Facebook page for public viewing. The Chairman circulated photos of recent construction and landscaping work to all members present.
- The Chairman reported that additional compost is needed for the raised and ground-level plant beds and that around five tonnes of compost has been sourced free of charge.

5. Town Gateway Floral Markers

- The Chairman reported that work on the construction of the additional town entry floral marker containers has been completed. Delivery of the new containers is expected within the next few days.
- It is estimated that the floral markers will be painted and installed with new planting by mid June 2010, details of which will be finalised at the next sub-committee meeting.

6. Creation of Bee Shelter and 'Bee-Friendly' Planting at Hailsham Country Park

- The Chairman reported that the roof tiles required for the construction of the bee shelter at Hailsham Country Park are ready to pick up from the supplier and that the other tiles,

bamboo and plastic piping will be available soon. Any developments will be reported at the next sub-committee meeting.

7. Creation of Flower Nursery

- There was nothing further to report on the flower nursery creation project.

8. Public Information Day: Saturday 8th May 2010

- The Chairman reported that the Hailsham In Bloom Public Information Day held on Saturday 8th May was a success on the whole and, although open to the public for a shorter period of time than last year, over 200 visitors obtained information on current Hailsham In Bloom projects, with two people expressing an interest in joining the sub-committee.

9. Date of Next Meeting

- There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.30 hrs.
- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 26th May 2010 at 19.30hrs in the Fleur de Lys Meeting Room, Town Council Offices.

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