

Barbourne in Bloom Meeting Minutes AGM



Date/Time: Thursday 12th January 2023 @ 8.00 pm

Location: Online

Distribution: All Present and apologies

Notes

Action

1 Introductions and Project Roles:

Hannah Cooper	President - apologies
Sadie Carr Simons	Wildlife Advisor
Heather McNeillis	Secretary
Judith Taylor	Treasurer
Andy Taylor	Photographer
Alan Sprague	Resident of Sharman Close - apologies
Karen Lewing	No role - local city councillor

2 Voted in new roles to group as noted above

3 Review of Progress:

• Social Media

Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and Nextdoor pages set up with logo:

Facebook - 155 likes and 178 followers

Instagram - 182 followers 38 posts

Twitter - 19 followers

Nextdoor - 37 members

- We have increased our followers on all social media accounts
- When we have gained funding we need more photos – we welcome Andy Taylor as our new photographer

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Website

Matt Jenkins from Topspin Website Design maintains the website barbourneinbloom.org.uk for £20 a year.

If anyone wants to write up any content please contact Matt - the social media automatically uploads

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Our email is info@barbourneinbloom.org.uk

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Bank Account

The bank account is operational with Hannah and Judith as joint signatories. Hannah to find out how much money is left from the award from Platform Housing for planting the planters at Sharman Close.

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Funding opportunities/ Initiatives

1. Hedgehog Streets

Worcester City Council small grants award has been applied for by Hannah to launch the Hedgehog Street project – the request was for £512.42 made up of two drills, the drill bits and a saw, hedgehog highway signs (2 per wall) and a hedgehog house for the first street. Hannah to check whether we have been successful.

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A meeting will then be arranged by Heather to plan the project

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2. It's your Neighbourhood – RHS award

- We are annually inspected by the RHS on the progress at Sharman Close. Since we started, we have planted hundreds of spring bulbs, two cherry trees, some summer and winter bedding, two hanging baskets and most recently we were successful in applying for the community grant with resident Alan Sprague for the new planters.
- The planters now need planting with low maintenance long term planting this is planned for early - mid February.
- Sadie will ask a friend who is well known for planting the bike lockers beautifully to see if she can advise or help.
- Once we have bought the plants, we will need to arrange a planting day. Hannah to liaise with Alan to agree a suitable time and day. (Perhaps in half term to include some local children).
- The RHS inspector wants to see photographs of when the plants and bulbs are in flower throughout the year. Hannah to let Andy know when the bulbs come up.

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Any Other Business

The next meeting will need to involve tea and cake!
Everyone thanked for their time

Next Meeting: Doodle poll to come if we are successful with Hedgehog grant!

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