

Minutes of the meeting of Horsforth in Bloom 5th November 2016 in the Museum

Present Alan Gray (Chair), Peter Mallott, Joan Relph, Penny Pinn, Glenda Williams, Alan Gray, Kay Taylor, Kath Rolls, Marie Edwards. Jeff Hill, Kate van Heel, Hilary Taylor

Apologies: Dawn Collins, David and Sandra Wallwork,

Minutes corrected and discussed.

Matters Arising: Peter has paid £350 for daffodil and Tulip bulbs. Dawn will reimburse from HTC money. These can now be planted.

Mural: "Dead in the water" owing to opposition of one councilor. Horsforth Library, Librarian Josette Ward, will be glad to put it on permanent display inside the library. Alan and Peter will make a frame for it. It can be officially installed with a plaque in January 17 after the Sports personality of the Year Awards. Freda and Alan who donated money will be asked for their consent to this change of location. No press publicity for the moment.

Crocus Bulb planting in the St James and King George areas to take place at 2.00 Nov.5th after the meeting. 4,000 bulbs to be planted as a continuation of the Horsforth Roundabout site. This will start on Wednesday 9th and could continue into December.

The **60** fruit trees are designated by the terms of the LCC funding to be planted in the St James and King George estates. Their sites to be marked before the bulbs go in.

Agenda

Planning- Alan produced a laminated wall planner, Suggesting it could be carried round by the work party. The meeting decided a spreadsheet be sent out with a hard copy for those not on the internet would be a more manageable planner. Kath offered to deal with this.

Two bags compost needed for the planting on "Welcome to Horsforth" sign on Rodley Ring Road.

Website - Kath had researched possible sites and found a firm on Featherbank Lane who offered to set it up free. The domain name is the only cost at £5. It did more than Facebook and would be an important move forward. Kath was thanked and asked to proceed with it.

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Newsletter. Peter questioned the cost of the Newsletter- over £500 p.a. - which as HinB is short of money should be dropped. This was discussed with reference to the need for sponsors and the effect on the judges of this loss of publicity. The effectiveness of a good website for advertising purposes was urged and it was proposed that a letter be sent to current advertisers to find out their reaction to this form of advertising. The need for a clear audit was also urged.

The question of the material for the signs on the boxes was also raised. Penny offered to cost laminated strips.

Peter had sent a card of Condolence on the death of David Read.

Address List. Peter asked that people who were no longer active should be removed from the list.

Next Meeting AGM December 3rd 10.00 am in the Museum.