

**MEMORIAL GARDEN COMMITTEE
PRINCES RISBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEMORIAL GARDEN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 18th AUGUST 2009 AT 8.00pm
IN TOWER COURT, HORNS LANE, PRINCES RISBOROUGH**

PRESENT

Cllrs P Williams (Chairman) A Turner, J Coombs, P Summerbell and E Clifford
Kirsty Pope (Deputy Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllrs Benifer and Cllr Hall

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr W Woolf

1A. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr Williams was proposed by Cllr Turner

Seconded by Cllr Coombs.

All present agreed

1B. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Cllr Turner was proposed by Cllr Williams

Seconded by Cllr Clifford.

All present agreed

2. MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous Meeting having been circulated were approved by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were asked to declare any personal interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

Email from resident re: erecting a stand pipe in the Garden

Cllr Coombs agreed to speak to suppliers and ascertain a quotation for this work. **The Clerk is requested to include the quotation in the estimate discussions for 2010/2011.**

5. INVOICES

NONE RECEIVED

6. RECOMMENDATION TO THE TOWN COUNCIL TO AMEND THE REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE OCCASIONS WHEN FLOWERS ARE LEFT ON THE GRAVE.

Cllr Williams advised the meeting of her disappointment with the appearance of flowers that have been left on graves and not tidied away at a later date. It was therefore proposed that a recommendation is made to the Town Council to amend the existing Regulation as it needs further clarity (number 6c) to show that flowers may only be placed on Mother's Day, Father's Day and the week prior to/after Christmas Day. Flowers for children's graves may only be placed on Birthdays and the week prior to/after Christmas Day. Upon acceptance of the new regulations, the Clerk is requested to send a letter to the families that have members buried at the garden to advise them of the new regulation. In addition a separate note should be generated to the Funeral Directors to advise them of the change.

All present agreed.

7. PURCHASING A COMPOST BIN FOR THE MEMORIAL GARDEN.

The committee received information on the possible purchase of a very cost-effective compost bin. However, it was decided that the standard of the bin was not good enough and therefore the committee decided not to proceed. **AGREED BY ALL**

8. HOW TO ADMINISTER THE SPIKED VASES FOR USE IN THE MEMORIAL GARDEN.

In view of the regulations, it was proposed by Cllr Williams that the committee should purchase 50 off vases and these should be offered free of charge to the family as part of the rules & regulations (number 6c) (1 per family). **The Clerk is requested to place an order for these units and advise the undertakers of their availability. All present agreed.**

9. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

TBA

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting of the Committee is to be advised and will be held in Tower Court, Horns Lane, Princes Risborough.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Chairman..... Date