

# CLIFF FIELD GARDENS & SEATON IN BLOOM COMMITTEE MINUTES

16<sup>th</sup> June 2008

**PRESENT:** Cllr M Greenyer (chairman)  
Cllrs P Burrows, L Garner, G Jones, J Knight, Mrs S Semple

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr Mrs P Collins (in London)

1 Member of the public.

**52/08** **TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN**

Cllr Mrs Semple took the chair for this item. Cllr Greenyer was elected Chairman for 2008/9 and took the Chair for the Meeting

**53/08** **TO ELECT A VICE CHAIRMAN**

Cllr Knight was elected Vice Chairman

**54/08** **TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted

**55/08** **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2008 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman

**56/08** **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

Cllr Knight declared an interest as an EDDC Councillor

**57/08** **TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN ON HIS MEETING WITH GARDENCARE ON 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2008**

The full report is attached to these Minutes. The Chairman and Vice Chairman had met with Gardencare on site and had expressed concern at the amount of weeds and had identified several other areas of concern.

Gardencare had undertaken to remedy the situation. There was to be a follow-up meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> June.

Cllr Garner joined the meeting during this item .

The Cliff Field sign was identified as requiring a clean by the Handyman.

**58/08** **TO CONSIDER WHETHER THE CHESS TABLE MIGHT BE DONATED TO SEATON PRIMARY SCHOOL ( CLERK)**

The Clerk suggested the Chess Table might be better used were it to be sited at the school.

After discussion it was Resolved not to proceed with this suggestion but to continue to monitor the usage of the table and any damage it sustains.

Cllr Burrows was tasked with organising a games fair in Cliff Field to include the use of the table.

**59/08 TO CONSIDER AN OFFER BY THE SPIRAL CENTRE TO MAINTAIN THE LABYRINTH FOR £500 ANNUALLY**

Members took note of this offer, but agreed not to make a decision pending the receipt of a quotation from Gardencare.

**60/08 REPORTED ENCROACHMENTS ONTO CLIFF FIELD BY SOME PROPERTIES IN CASTLE HILL, TO NOTE THE REPOSE BY EDDC**

Members took note that the Senior Estates Officer of EDDC had visited Cliff Field and was satisfied that all was well.

**61/08 HARD SURFACING ENTRANCES TO CLIFF FIELD**

The need to lay concrete at the entrances was identified as a priority for the Handyman

**62/08 TO RECEIVE A SITUATION REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN AND TO CONSIDER FURTHER NECESSARY ACTION IN PREPARATION FOR JUDGING DAY**

The Chairman reported the merchandise ( tee shirts and stickers) had been delivered and was available for sale in the Council Office. He had also produced a route map for Cllr Mrs Collins. The priority now was to produce the document for the judges and the items for the Town Hall foyer display ( with connections to the roots theme). EDDC was to commence watering on 19<sup>th</sup> June.

**63/08 TO NOTE THE APPROXIMATE COST OF SUMMER WATERING BY BOYCE**

The Clerk reported he had received a verbal quotation of £ 2500 -£3000 per year, with 4 waterings per week ( one of which is a feed). Boyce could not undertake watering this year. The Clerk made the point that future watering contracts should identify the start date for watering, which would determine when planting out should commence.

**64/08 GARDEN AREA LEAFLET**

Cllr Mrs Semple reported she had yet to begin work on the leaflet.

**65/08 TO CONSIDER WINTER PLANTING ARRANGEMENTS**

The Chairman reported he was awaiting a quotation from Boyce.

**66/08 TO CONSIDER ANY LATE ENTRY CORRESPONDENCE**

a) DCC – Gold Award Signs The Clerk reported he had received a letter from DCC who had now asked for payment in advance. The Clerk stated he was less than satisfied with the way DCC had treated the Council’s request for the erection of these signs

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1830 hours

**These Minutes confirmed this .....day of .....2008  
Presiding Chairman .....**