

Norton in Bloom Minutes

9th April 2020

Attendees	
Jim & Lyn Blackburn Veronica Green Heather Green Sarah Moulson Marie Blackshaw	Malcolm & Ann McDonald Amy Hammond Roger & Jill Taylor Alan Dutton

Item		Action Ref
1.	<p>Apologies</p> <p>None</p>	
2.	<p>Jobs</p> <p>There are currently no specific jobs to carry out, other than to keep on top of weeds. Attached is the plan of the village that shows the areas people have volunteered to look after. If there are any errors in the document, please let Amy know. When the plants arrive, a message will be sent out with the planting details so that those responsible for the areas can plant up when convenient for them.</p>	
3.	<p>Summer Planting</p> <p>It was agreed that Veronica will again design the hanging baskets – Lyn has the ones from the pub in storage. It was agreed that Malcolm would order the following for use when planting up with the summer scheme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 bags of compost for the barrels • Water retention gel • Fertiliser • Slug pellets <p>Veronica added that less planting will be required at the Horse Wash and Village Hall due to the shrubs that were added in the autumn.</p>	
4.	<p>Plant Ordering</p> <p>Ann is placing the order for the summer planting scheme with the wholesale company used last year. As previously, they will be delivered towards the end of May and will be left in a central location. Details of the location and delivery date will be circulated closer to the time along with the planting designs.</p>	
8.	<p>AOB</p> <p>Finance: there have been two outgoings: mulch for the school and the bird feeder.</p> <p>A squirrel proof bird feeder has been attached to the Bus Shelter and will topped up with feed by Kit and his mum, Gemma from Ashville, Main Road.</p> <p>There were no responses to the request for the donation of a water butt, therefore, the group agreed that we will not put a water butt on the Bus Shelter.</p> <p>The group discussed the success of the Front Doorstep competition and its proximity to the Parish Council's Front Garden competition. It was agreed that we would not continue to run this competition going forward.</p> <p>Sarah provided an update on the work that she is doing with Ann to design the planting scheme of the village car park. The owners have asked whether the group will plant up</p>	BGD_007

	<p>the beds once the planting scheme has been approved and the plants have arrived. At this point the Zoom call cut off, therefore, this will form part of the agenda for the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Actions:</u> BGD_007: The Front Doorstep competition will not continue to run. BGA_069: Amy to confirm whether she has the certificate and to organise it being put up in the Village Hall. BGA_070: Amy to drop notelets and Lyn portfolios at Ann's, who will take to the coffee mornings when she attends. BGA_071: Amy to investigate where the gravel at the horse wash has come from and when it will be moved.</p>	
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Next meeting to be held, Thursday 21st May, 7:30pm on Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/8129984700>.