MINUTES FOR LEECHWELL GARDEN ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING

7th Nov 2023. Held at Leechwell Cottage and celebrating two anniversaries:

* the 20th Anniversary of the start of the public campaign to save and redesign the Southern Area, including housing, parking and the site of the Leechwell Garden.

* the 13th anniversary of the opening of the completed Leechwell Garden.

PRESENT: David Mitchell (Chair), Paul Church (Treasurer), Sue Holmes, Robert Vint, Ernesto Antonio, Shirley Prendergast (Sec)

1. APOLOGIES: David Martin, Lu Ovary, Rory Batt

2. PREVIOUS MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting on xxx 2023 were approved.

3. OTHER MATTERS. Noted that, all being well, the photoshoot for PR for the new garden notice boards would take place on 26th Nov 12pm.

4. Robin Lacey has submitted images of his long-awaited water sculpture 'To the Sea'. He has addressed safety and security issues and, with final approval from SHDC, this will installed in the top pool below the bridge. The meeting was delighted and agreed to send Robin a small gift to thank him for all the work involved.

5. Ernesto noted that the donation box at entrance to the garden urgently needed a QR code on or beside it.

6. Rory and Sue have met to put together a comms strategy for the garden.

7. It was announced that the Wildlife Garden will now be called The Bug Zone.

8. Finances. Paul provided following information:

£3575.77 Currently in LGA Bank account.

9. AOB None

10. Date of next meeting: This will be the AGM on 5th December 2023 at the Re-Economy Centre