

**HUNSTANTON & DISTRICT CIVIC SOCIETY**  
Committee Meeting on Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> August 2015  
in the Heritage Centre

Present: Andrew Murray(AM), Tony Armstrong(AA), Terry Ashworth(TA), Margi Blunden(MB), Martin Chown(MC), Stephen Kent(SK), Adrian Winnington(AW), Mavis Windibank(MW), Alethea Gillard(AG)

1. Apologies from Ann Stevens (AS), John Little (JL).

2. Apologies from Mavis were not included in the last minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2015 were approved and signed. No matters arising.

3. Correspondence –

**Lidl** - MC received a leaflet regarding Lidl wanting to come to Heacham and build a store on the Stainsby site. There will be a public consultation on 25<sup>th</sup> August between 3pm and 7pm at Heacham Social Club.

**Coastal Communities Team** has invited the Civic Society to send a representative. AM will attend the first meeting today at 5pm. AM agreed to become the representative on the Team.

**Seacrete** East Anglia Ltd. make concrete lumps from surplus materials each weighing 4 ½ tons which could possibly be used to protect the cliffs.

**Chapel Bank Shelter** -The Sustainable Development Fund of the AONB have not specified the amount but this is somewhere about £4,000 to £5,000. AM has received quotes for moving the shelter of quite varied amounts. In the LeStrange hotel there is a corridor where photographs and other information could be located.

**Roy Clark** at Lincoln Lodge would welcome visitors. He used to live in Princess Drive and is the Hon. President and one of the founder members of the Civic Society.

**Spinney Tiles** - The illustration of Henry Styleman le Strange's vision for the Sea Bathing Resort of Hunstanton St Edmund was cropped thus omitting The Green and the railway station. The Civic Society has resolved to meet the cost of the replacement.

**Bus Services** - The number 11 bus service has been replaced by the 12 which goes to Dersingham and Sandringham. This has a bad impact on the town as there is now no direct bus service to Sandringham visitor centre. A meeting was held in Dersingham village hall and the bus company will be asked to look again at their service.

**Family fossil hunt** is on 2<sup>nd</sup> August was well attended.

**Wash East Coast Community** led by McDonnell Caravans is trying to raise money from the caravan owners for flood defences.

4. **Treasurer's report** – An item not stated on the report is that we have paid an extra £93 insurance premium. Proposed training re asking for donations has been dropped. MB said there is no clear philosophy as to why we are asking for donations. We have to keep solvent and the displays fresh. Heritage Centre insurance is £250 and there is electricity and Solicitors fees. The Centre is an asset to the town and it's a valuable place for people to go. We do not pay rates so the Council is helping to support the centre by about £2,000 a year. We could invite Chris Banfield to meet us here.

5. **Web Site** - Nothing has moved. The new website looks very good. AM's report will also be included on the website.

6. **Heritage Centre** – now run out of brochures and TIC in King's Lynn want some more. We will wait for the reprint early next year as the opening times may change. AM has suggested opening on Wednesday instead of Friday as some people are not here at weekends. Not many people come on Saturday and Sunday but Sunday is the best day for donations. TA will get another book to record items that people bring in so there is an account of where these are and also what happens to them.

7. **Projects** – Neighbourhood Plan have held a further meeting and co-opted the head of humanities at Smithdon school and she will try and get the pupils to design a logo for the Neighbourhood Plan.

8. The date of the next meeting will be 24<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm.

9. AOB Talks have been confirmed except one.

There should be a display of the development of Hunstanton as Butterfield designed the town with Henry LeStrange.

“Introducing Sainsbury's new shopping card” to raise funds for the Society. AM wondered if anyone had been into Sainsbury's.

On the back of the leaflet from the Kite Festival is a list of donations given to good causes over the last 12 months and over £25,000 has been given to local charities. This mentions the Heritage Centre but we have not received any money. Heritage Centre tried to take some items to the tip but they will not accept anything from shops, only private houses. Furniture will also not be accepted.