

**Hunstanton Civic Society**  
**Ordinary Executive Committee Meeting,**  
**Tuesday 7 February 2012 at 9.15 am**  
**In Large Meeting Room, Valentine Road**

**Present:** Andrew Murray (Chairman and Interim Secretary), Anthony Gooch (Treasurer), Margi Blunden, Sue Boxell, Norma Ham, Brian Holmes, John Maiden, Ivy Scales

1. **Apologies:** None.
2. **Minutes of the Meeting** held on 10 January 2012 were approved and signed. There were no matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda
3. **Secretary's Report** -AM apologised that he had not had time to circulate a report prior to the meeting. There had been a lot happening and he gave a verbal report with the promise that a written report would be circulated.
4. **Treasurer's Report.** After payment to BCKLWN of £383.62 for the coloured poster and frame for the coal shed wall (they will cover costs of fixing) and £5.54 for refreshments for the HLF meeting, £1,488.74 remained in the Current Account and £7,300.37 in the Deposit Account, making total assets £8,789.11. For the Talks evenings AG and NH would be using separate sheets for recording attendance of members and non-members. The possibility of having membership cards was discussed.
5. **Pier Presentation to Heritage Lottery Fund, 31.1.12.** The Focus Group had met to discuss the subject. Henry Bellingham had told HCS that a new pier should be on the original site.
6. **Heritage Sub-Committee.** MB reported on the meeting of 16 January 2012.  
For the **Open Days in September** it had been decided to feature **houses in Hunstanton designed by the architect Herbert Ibberson.** John Smith would put MB in touch with someone who knew the best examples of his work.  
**Butterfly Shelter.** MB had sent photos of different designs to Chris Bamfield, who was interested in one of them and his decision was awaited.  
**Green Plaques.** Five suggestions for new plaques had been received from members. Bank House had also been put forward. One for the old slaughterhouse was considered unsuitable. Four new plaques were not enough. Perhaps surrounding villages could justify enough to make the number up to 10? AM said that a check should be made to ensure that all the plaques were in place. No funds were left in the kitty from the previous HLF grant, when they had cost over £6,000. **Action:** JM suggested another application to the HLF, linking it to a heritage project. **Interpretation Boards and Plaques Leaflets.** JM had a whole box full of the leaflets. **Chapel Bank Shelter.** AM had said that if we were thinking of moving it a public meeting would have to be held. **Action:** JM to write to Ben Colson.
7. **Focus Group Plans.** Meet at AM's on 20 Feb.
8. **Date of next Committee Meeting – Tuesday 13 March at 9.15 am.**

## Secretary's Report for February 2012 - 7 Feb 2012

### Planning Applications and Developments

There is a proposal by Marstons to build a restaurant opposite Tesco on the rail track bed.

Marstons are to meet the Town Council on 9 Feb.

The Borough may also be selling off more of the car park space for affordable housing.

There is a threat that overspill car parking spaces may be needed on the Community Field with an access from Park Road through the recently planted hedge.

The for sale advert for the bungalow beside Green Shutters has been altered and no pre-application discussions have taken place

Section 106 money from the development behind the Lodge Hotel may be used to partly fund affordable housing on the sheep field.

A section of the A149 is to be closed to permit alterations to the refuge near to the recreation ground. After that Southend Road will be closed to permit work on the magic roundabout

### Town Council

John Smith is promoting the planting of French wild flowers on Oasis Way

Police Authority are consulting on a proposal to increase the levy by an extra £7.50 /year for a band D property in order to maintain services and offset cuts in central funding

The Town Council is to take over management of the TIC in April. Corsham Civic Society that TIC with 22 volunteers.

The only QEII playing fields nominations that have been submitted by Chris Bamfield are reported to be areas owned by the BC –Lincoln Square, ? Boston Square, Esplanade Gardens including The Lower Green. He has been asked to include the Community Field. The agents for the Le Strange estate are to be asked about the Upper Green and the Recreation Ground

### Correspondence

The final report of progress in implementing the recommendations of the Pitt Review concerning flooding has been published by DEFRA on 27 Jan.

I wrote to MP, Henry Bellingham asking him to support amendments to the National Policy Planning legislation and he replied.

King's Lynn Civic Society now has a web-site [www.kingslynncivicsociety.co.uk](http://www.kingslynncivicsociety.co.uk)

Heritage Open days will take place from Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September

There are opportunities to train to become a master composter and earn money by spreading the message.

Ben Colson, manager of Norfolk Green was unable to attend the talk on railways but wishes to be kept informed.

Borough Council employees have begun to enforce parking restrictions in Hunstanton

William Searle is the new chair of the Chamber of Trade and Michael Ruston is the secretary.

Terrington St. Clement are to set up a heritage centre in a former school building.

### NCVO

WNVCA – funding opportunities. Possibility of arranging seminar in Public Law.

Matthew Cleary – lack of enforcement relating to picnic tables under the 'Pier' overfly.

### Meetings & Events

The Borough Council have called a meeting of the Hunstanton Regeneration Partnership on 22 Feb. for the purpose of winding it up and transferring its remaining funds to the BC

Wash East Coast Management Study met on 25 Jan. More gabions are to be placed opposite the Hunstanton golf course club house.

The Environmental Law Foundation are organising a meeting on Flooding and Coastal Erosion in King's Lynn on 10 Feb.

I met with MP, Henry Bellingham on 3 Feb. We discussed payment for flood defences, the national planning policy review, site specific allocations, the proposal to have a retirement complex associated with affordable housing near the Industrial Park, the incinerator at Saddlebow

A new organisation –Marine Management Organisation is to hold drop in sessions in King's Lynn and Wells on 14 & 15 Feb.

HCS Focus group is to meet at my house on 20 Feb

There is to be Retail Conference in the Town Hall on 5<sup>th</sup>. March