

# HUNSTANTON & DISTRICT CIVIC SOCIETY

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## HDCS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Date** Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 10 am

**Venue** Heritage Centre, Hunstanton, PE36 6BB

### **Present**

Anthony Armstrong (**AA**), Margi Blunden (**MB**), Amanda Bosworth (**AB**), Robert Clark (**RC**), Sheila Kent (**ShK**), Stephen Kent (**StK**), Andrew Murray (**AM**), and Mick Smith (**MS**).

### **Agenda Items**

#### **1) Welcome and Apologies.**

AB welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Terry Ashworth (**TA**), John Bridger (**JB**), Jerry Simmons (**JS**) and Ann Stevens (**AS**).

#### **2) Minutes Secretary.** ShK and StK volunteered to write up the minutes for this meeting.

#### **3) Minutes of meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020.**

The minutes were agreed by all present for signature by AB.

#### **4) Matters arising not otherwise on today's Agenda**

4)b. StK reported that the equipment approved for purchase (new Laptop, Projector and Google Chromecast) had all been purchased and would be used at the talk next week.

#### **5) H&DCS Representation on other fora**

- a) West Norfolk Tourism Forum – Representation had been approved and one main rep and one backup rep had been allowed. AS and AA were duly appointed respectively.
- b) Coastal Community Team – no response yet to our request for two reps (possibly one rep and one backup) on this committee. AM is happy to circulate to H&DCS committee Agenda and Minutes as they become available (**AM**)
- c) Conservation Areas Advisory Panel - Martin Chown is our current rep. Agreed that AM should ask that H&DCS are provided with minutes. (**AM**)
- d) In Bloom/ Friends of Hunstanton Heritage Gardens – MB and AS are our reps presently.
- e) Wash East Coast Management Strategy – AM currently our rep. Agreed that a substitute might be useful (**AM**)
- f) Civic Voice – AM currently recipient of magazines and weekly emailed newsletter. ShK, as Secretary also receives annual report.

#### **6) Correspondence, Planning & Hunstanton Town Council Report (AM)**

AM had circulated his report in advance of the meeting reflecting

- a) Approval has been given to development of the land adjacent to 29 Sandringham Road
- b) Skopolos in Sandringham Road has been sold.
- c) Planning applications have been received in respect of 2 nail bars.
- d) HTC continue to work in eliminating single-use plastics.
- e) Funding for a skate ramp still available but no decisions made regarding location for it.
- f) Consultation process regarding Regeneration of Southend Road and Car Parking areas and bus station continues with meetings at the Town Hall on Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> February.

#### **7) Treasurer's Report (StK)** StK had circulated his Financial Report prior to the meeting. Little activity apart from Talks income and expenditure, purchase of laptop, projector etc and donations towards cost of official opening and towards cost of cinema in the vault. The total balances stand at £14,692.

#### **8) Membership Report (ShK)**

Nothing to report since the last meeting.

#### **9) Formation of a Company Limited by Guarantee not having a share capital.**

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StK was still working on this but efforts were currently concentrated on the formal opening of the Heritage Centre. However, he and ShK had visited Sharon Edwards in King's Lynn who had provided some very useful advice which should result in this moving forward. **Action: StK**

### 10) Heritage Centre Formal Opening:

There was much discussion concerning the opening of the Heritage Centre this coming Friday. This included who should be asked to speak at the ceremony, timings of arrivals and the various events including photography. Also catering arrangements which were all well in hand. There were also discussions regarding the tea party for James Wild MP, Graham Middleton and Andrew Jamieson.

### 11) Heritage Centre Lease

StK and AM reported that this was now dependent on the restructuring of the Civic Society (see 8 above). **Action: JS/ShK, StK and AM**

### 12) Heritage Centre Preparation of Teachers packs etc.

These were shortly to be worked upon and some local teachers had agreed to help in their creation. **Action: ShK/StK**

### 13) Chairman's Discussion Document

This was introduced by AB as something to be referred to from time to time with appropriate action taken as seen fit.

### 14) Gardens/Hunstanton in Bloom & Greening Great Britain

MB reported that planting up of the beds in the front of the Heritage Centre was planned for the next day at 12 noon. **Action: MB/AS/MS**

### 15) Hunstanton Pier

There was nothing to report regarding the Pier project although work is continuing behind the scenes.

### 16) King's Lynn/Hunstanton Rail Project

AM advised that a meeting of 'railway experts' is planned for this Friday at 3.30pm at the Norfolk Deli Café as most will be attending the opening ceremony.

### 17) Talks Programme

AA reported that progress continued to be made with the talks for next year. There was a problem with next week's talk which has subsequently been resolved. **Action: AA**

### 18) Outings

An outing to Blickling Hall has been arranged for 16<sup>th</sup> April and is being promoted. **Action: JB**

### 19) Town Centre (and High Street) and how to improve character and appearance

No further action at present. Need to start arranging walks around the Town to start listing areas requiring attention **Action: Committee Spring walk around the town.**

### 20) AOB.

None

### 21) Dates & venues for next HDCS Meetings:

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 HDCS Committee Meeting	10.00am	Heritage Centre
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 HDCS Committee Meeting	10.00am	Heritage Centre

The meeting concluded at 12.10pm.

StK 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020