

**HUNSTANTON & DISTRICT CIVIC SOCIETY**  
Committee Meeting on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016  
at the Council Offices, Valentine Road

Present: Andrew Murray(AM), Margi Blunden(MB), Mavis Windibank(MW), Stephen Kent(SK), Ann Stevens (AS), John Maiden(JM), Anthony Armstrong(AA), David Jones(DJ), Alethea Gillard(AG)

1. **Apologies** from Terry Ashworth. Ivy Scales and Adrian Winnington
2. The **minutes** of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016 were approved and signed. SK has been approached by an anonymous donor who would like to contribute £1,000 towards the statue fund, payable by 5<sup>th</sup> April, on condition that the project goes ahead within 12 months, the money is gift aided and HCS keep the money to pass on to the statue fund. We will e-mail Mr. Searle outlining the conditions.
3. **Correspondence**, planning and Town Council report – AM sent a letter to the Council regarding 120 homes at Old Town Way but it is not registered on their website and AM will send another letter. The Town Council were asked to suggest names for the Hopkins Homes estate and a sea bird theme has been chosen. It was thought the 40 mph speed limit should be continuous from Robin Hill to the Redgate roundabout. There is a proposal to ban the release of balloons and Chinese lanterns in Hunstanton.
4. **Treasurer's report** – 2 anonymous donations totalling £2,250 have been received for the twinning ceremony. Accounts were submitted for the refurbishment of the Mercy Gray shelter. We would like to buy the Heritage Centre building if the building is put up for sale and a meeting with Community Action Norfolk has taken place regarding grant applications and we will look into whether lottery funding is appropriate.
5. **Website** – a page has been added for Heritage Centre bookings.
6. **Heritage Centre** – AA reported the Centre is being revamped. There is an additional board which incorporates maps. MW asked if we could review the opening times in the Autumn. Mysta TV has been to the Centre.
7. **Infant School records** – AW has the records in his garage and these should be elsewhere. It is normal practise for these to be in the Records Office.
8. Progress on projects
  - a) **Neighbourhood Plan** – the April issue of Hunstanton Town and Around will contain the questionnaire and there will be places around the town where completed forms can be left. A further 1,000 copies have been printed. When all forms have been returned, an analysis will be done and there will be an opportunity for people to come and review the results and raise other topics. A link will be added to our website.
  - b) **Pier working party** – Nothing to report.
  - c) **Tiles in the Spinney** – No further progress.
  - d) **Outing to Wisbech** – the coach is half filled. If we have to cancel the coach, people could go by car. We do not know if there will be a cancellation fee.
  - e) **Mercy Gray shelter** – the glass has been ordered but there is paint work to do before this. Guttering is ready to go up.
  - f) **67<sup>th</sup> USAF Squadron** – there is a twinning ceremony planned for Spring.
9. The date of the next meeting will be Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 2.30pm at the Council Offices in Valentine Road.