

## Hunstanton Civic Society

### **Ordinary Executive Committee Meeting Tuesday 13 November 2012 at 9.15 am in Large Meeting Room, Valentine Road**

**Present:** Andrew Murray (Chairman and Interim Secretary), Tony Gooch (Treasurer), Sue Boxell, Norma Ham, John Maiden, Ivy Scales, Valerie Everitt (guest)

1. **Apologies:** Margi Blunden
2. **Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 16 October** were approved and signed.
3. **Report from Heritage Sub-Committee.** MB had completed the pen and ink drawings and the Leaflet was proceeding to final stages before submission to printers.
4. **Secretary's Report** and matters arising.

**Spinney.** The BC interviewed six firms of architects on 6 November to choose one to enhance the Spinney area. All had agreed that the grass and trees were important and most should remain, the latter being gradually replaced as necessary.

**Town Team.** AG was of the opinion that the meetings were not democratic.

**Clean-up of High Street.** On the instigation of Richard Bird, Jemma Curtis had written a letter to NCC Highways suggesting that a clean-up and de-cluttering of the High Street should complement enhancement of the Spinney. The £10k Mary Portas money might go towards that.

**Neighbourhood Plan for Hunstanton.** The BC have launched a consultation. The map includes all of Hunstanton St Edmund including the beach to the west of Old Hunstanton.

**"Pier" Building** – The retrospective application for ice cream adverts and cones had been approved following a revised application which anticipated them being removed as part of the alterations to the serving hatches. There had been no consultation about that revision.

**Flood warning system.** All existing sirens had been deactivated. Those at risk could register with the Environment Agency, who would contact them in case of flood threat. Because of the lack of mobile phone signals in the area, this may not be satisfactory.

5. **Treasurer's Report.** The BC would be paying for the Reis Leming sign. AG was awaiting the net cost of the Reception on 10 November. With the accounts not yet finalized for the month, the current account balance was £2,478.86 and deposit account £7,349.54, making total assets £9,828.40.
6. **Report from the Green and Pier Sub-Committee.** Approval had been obtained from the Le Strange Estate for inclusion of the upper Green in the Fields in Trust application. Trees are to be planted near the shelter and Harlequin House. JM was congratulated on the success of the Reis Leming ceremony on 10 November. HCS will feature it in a talk in the New Year. The BBC would be making a documentary of the occasion for the "Inside Out" programme, which would be broadcast in January .
7. **Report from In Bloom Committee.** SB said that bulb planting would take place in the town on Saturday 17 November.

8. **Arrangements for AGM, Wednesday 12 December.** A budget of around £300 was for the buffet was agreed.
9. **Topics to discuss at possible meeting with Mr Bamfield.** It was decided to invite him in the next year.
10. **Dates of next Committee meeting.** – Tuesday 4th December 2012