

HUNSTANTON & DISTRICT CIVIC SOCIETY

MINUTES of MEETING of H&DCS Committee – TUESDAY 15th November 2022 at 10am

Venue - The meeting was held in the Heritage Centre

Present – Tony Armstrong (AA), Amanda Bosworth (AB), Bob Clark (BC), Valerie Everitt (VE), Sheila Kent (ShK), Stephen Kent (StK) and Andrew Murray (AM).

1. **Welcome and Apologies.**

AB, Chair, welcomed Committee members to the meeting. Apologies received from Margi Blunden (MB),

2. **Minutes Secretary.** Andrew Murray (AM), Sheila and Stephen Kent (ShK and StK) agreed to take notes to write up into minutes

3. **Minutes of meeting of Committee Meeting on 18th October 2022.** Approved and signed by AB

4. **Matters arising from meeting held on 18th October** – All matters arising covered in Agenda

5. **Correspondence & Planning** (ShK and AM)

- a) Email from Christine Earnshaw inviting us to provide a Christmas Tree for the Christmas Tree Festival, 2-4 December in the Town Hall. Agreed that we should do this.
- b) Email receive from Judy Thursby re timings of meetings and speakers. ShK to respond.
- c) An Invitation from Smithdon High School to attend Prize-giving. AM, ShK and StK agreed to attend and AB to notify the school.
- d) West Norfolk Tourism Forum – It was confirmed that the Committee wished for AB to continue being our representative on this Committee with AA as alternate. AGM for this committee to be held on 23rd November to which AB will be attending.
- e) Town Plan – AM referred to an email that he had sent to Committee members re Local Draft Plan and observations that he had submitted on our behalf and that of the Town Council. Public hearings to be held in December and January. Agreed that he should continue progressing these.
- f) AM also referred to Wash East Coast Management. Sediment is not coming around the corner to nourish the main beach but is being swept northwards. Present groins are ineffective. Suggest repairing 2 groins and re-charging the area behind them.

6. **Treasurer's Report** - The monthly report circulated to Committee before the meeting was agreed as being in good order and should be approved.

Management Accounts for the Year Ended 30th September 2022. These had been distributed with the Agenda. Agreed that these be approved and AB and StK asked to sign them which they did. At the same time, the committee expressed their gratitude to the Treasurer for his work in preparing these. They also expressed gratitude for the auditor, David Boxell, and for the speed with which he had carried out the work. There was a vote of thanks for both and ShK was asked to write to Mr Boxell to express our thanks.

Statutory Accounts for the Year Ended 30th September 2022 prepared by Mapus-Smith & Lemmon LLP were also tabled and these were approved. AB and StK were asked to sign them which they did.

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ShK also considered it a good thing that Sharon Edwards of Mapus-Smith & Lemmon LLP was able to produce the Statutory Accounts and was able to provide useful advice from time to time.

7. **Membership Report (ShK)** – Membership renewals - ShK reported that most subscriptions had been received and the Committee were informed of who had not so far renewed their membership and a few who had decided not to renew. AM reported that he had been in touch with two of our more senior members who were presently both rather frail.
Re AGM – Agreed that all documentation would be distributed to our members in the next few days
8. **Talks** - AA reported that he needed help in finding speakers for our talks as invitations to some potential speakers had resulted in no response. AM mentioned that he was well on the way to completing a list of potential speakers extracted from the KL Magazine. Decided that there should be a brain-storming session very early in the New Year to sort out speakers for the future. Also decided that the discussion session after the AGM should include asking members present for ideas and thoughts on this. This discussion should include the timings of our Talks and whether they should move to mornings or afternoons.
9. **Newsletter** – A Newsletter for November had been sent out already with the final part of the John Maiden story. The December issue should include a message conveying Season’s Greetings etc. Possible future interviewees had been suggested
10. **Heritage Centre** –
 - a) AM reported that the latest Company who had quoted for the Fire Compartmentation work were hoping to start this side of Christmas. He still awaits approval of the plan from Building Control.
 - b) The Centre was now closed for the Winter.
 - c) A question arose about the need for a History Group but it had been previously agreed to be a good thing. It has been decided that grants that could be available to provide a warm space over winter had been considered but thought to be unworkable for many reasons.
11. **Marketing and Social Media matters** – Agenda item deferred.
12. **Gardens** – Agenda item deferred.
13. **HHPCT Pier Project and KLHRC Project** – Agenda item deferred.
14. **Outings** – Agenda item deferred.
15. **Date and Venue next Committee meeting** – set for Tuesday, 13th December, 10am at Heritage Centre to include preparation for the next day’s AGM.

Dates & Times of H&DCS Events		
13 th Dec	10.00am	H&DCS Committee meeting at Heritage Centre
14 th Dec	7.00pm	AGM, EGM and Talk/films