## Hunstanton & District Civic Society Committee Meeting Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 10.00am at the Heritage Centre

Present: Amanda Bosworth (AB), Sheila and Stephen Kent (ShK, StK), Tony Armstrong (AA), Val Everitt (VE), Andrew Murray (AM)

- 1. Apologies from Margi Blunden (MB) and Bob Clark (VC)
- 2. AM took notes
- 3. The minutes for the committee meeting on 21 April were approved and duly signed.
- 4. Under matters arising, AM reported that the cost of replacing the 13 damaged roof shingles, pushing the Mercy Gray Shelter back into position and fixing it with new brackets amounts to £293.78 (it also requires some paintwork touch up). A detailed breakdown of work carried out and associated costs was requested. Consideration needs to be given as to who is responsible for maintenance for this shelter.
- Correspondence The HTC AGM and Mayor making will be on 25 May. The extra-ordinary meeting scheduled for 17th was cancelled because the matter is being investigated by the police.
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AB volunteered to be the representative on the Town's Advisory Board and this was supported by committee members.

- Treasurer's report The Victorian Society has been paid £65 by Direct Debit. We will review our membership prior to next year's payment. Income from the sale of Mary Rhodes books no longer needs to be accounted for separately.
- 7. Two new members have joined the Civic Society and will join the North Norfolk railway excursion on 9 June.
- 8. A talk will be given by Brian Butcher about the 1000-year history of Blickling Hall on the 18th. An open evening on transport and rail travel will be held on the 19th.

AA requested names of speakers or topics for next year's programme. A couple of suggestions were put forward for consideration by AA.

- 9. Newsletter Peter Lewis-Crown has made contact to say how pleased he was with the article and to request that additional copies be sent to relevant contacts. Proposed to have no newsletter in July or August and to re-start in September.
- 10. Heritage Centre No coffee morning this month as it is a busy one for everyone. The Platinum Jubilee memorabilia display will be set up on 30 and 31 May. ShK has been going through newspapers relating to the death of King George VI in February 1952 and the Coronation on 2 June 1953. StK will explore the possibility of adding a short film of the Coronation in the Vault cinema. Some members of USAF 67th SOS will be on duty in Hunstanton on 2 June to carry out a beach clean, participate in a talk at the Heritage Centre given by AA and John Maiden, then act as stewards for the HDFA Music Festival (departure at about 4pm).

On 3 June the briefing room at RAF Mildenhall is to be named the Hunstanton Room.

The change of command will take place on 8 June.

- Civic Voice the way forward. Possible new names for the Society to be shortlisted and presented to members for discussion. Notes from meeting on 10 May accepted, followed by a discussion about next steps.
- 12. Marketing AB has begun sharing event information on social media. Members agreed to create a list of contacts for local history and similar groups in the area with a view to organising a meeting on issues of common interest.
- 13. MB has cleared winter cyclamens from the planters and primulas from the railway garden. She has ordered white geraniums that will be planted up on her return from Scotland.

A carpenter has suggested that the Edith Cavell bench could be repaired for just over £300, but this needs confirmation and a written quotation. In addition, we need to establish who is responsible for the cost of repair/maintenance for historic benches in the town.

- 14. Nothing to report on Pier or Railway projects. It is national Civic Day on 18 June. AB and AA hope to set up the gazebo on The Green from 10am to 4pm (HC volunteers to be asked to assist).
- 15. Three tickets left for the North Norfolk railway excursion on 9 June.
- 16. Town walkabouts will resume with a view to putting forward projects for consideration by the Hunstanton Advisory Board. A date for this may be set in July.
- 17. Next committee meeting Tuesday 14 June at 10.00am at the Heritage Centre.

Dates & Times of Future Meetings		
2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2022	From 9.00am	Duty visit by 67 <sup>th</sup> SOS
3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022	Morning	Naming of Hunstanton Room at Mildenhall
8 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	Afternoon	Change of Command at Mildenhall
14 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	10.00am	H&DCS Committee Meeting at Heritage Centre