

HUNSTANTON & DISTRICT CIVIC SOCIETY

MINUTES of MEETING of H&DCS Committee – TUESDAY 18th October 2022 at 10am

Venue - The meeting was held in the Heritage Centre

Present – Tony Armstrong (AA), Amanda Bosworth (AB), Margi Blunden (MB), Bob Clark (BC), 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 Valerie Everitt (VE)

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

3. **Minutes of meeting of Committee Meeting on 13th September 2022.** Approved and signed by AB

4. **Matters arising from meeting held on 13th September** – All matters arising covered in Agenda

5. **Membership Report (ShK)**

a) Membership renewals – One recent resignation and one death (Brian Carter) reported. Currently 20 membership subscriptions remain unpaid.

b) Draft Agenda for the AGM and another for the Extraordinary General Meeting to be held 14th December 2022 at 7.00pm were tabled. These were approved. Decided that refreshments should be served on arrival (MB) and that members should be given the opportunity to raise any matters of concern at all our meetings.

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

a) There had been no response to a request for additional information from Stuart Bellis concerning 10 Lincoln Street and a potential green plaque.

b) 1st Take have sent us three DVDs following their Discovering Norfolk Volume 1: West Norfolk filming during the Summer. These have been distributed to AB, AA and John Maiden. StK to extract the Hunstanton section to display in the Vault Cinema.

c) AB gave a general overview on the status of the Hunstanton Advisory Group

d) AB reported that she would circulate the most recent minutes of the West Norfolk Tourism Forum and advised that she would be attending the next meeting tomorrow.

e) ShK reported that still no response had been received from BCKLWN re the lack of works at the bus station. The committee considered that there was a general disappointment in the lack of progress on this and other building projects around town, as well as the complete lack of any communication.

f) AM asked whether the Society would wish to support repair or replacement works to the old wooden Town notice board. Agreed that the potential cost to the Society made it just too costly and uneconomical so we would not wish to contribute to this.

g) Improved signage directing visitors to the Heritage Centre was discussed. Agreed that canvas signage advertising the Heritage Centre could be placed on the railings surrounding the coach park. In addition, finger boards could be added to

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existing signs and that perhaps the Men’s Shed might be prepared to help produce these – but this would need to be in coordination with Resort Services.

- h) Reported that the 67th SOS would be attending the Remembrance Service on 13 November. Agreed that AA is to organise a wreath and available H&DCS members/committee would participate in the parade from the United Services Club – this to be promoted in the next Newsletter.

7. Heritage Centre –

- a) Reported that we had run out of Mary Rhodes book of Hunstanton Miscellany. If we wished to sell more, someone would need to organise a reprint.
- b) AM reported that the Company quoting for segregation of the upper floor from the ground floor as a fire break had quoted a huge cost for this work. Further work is needed to get a breakdown of costs and seek alternatives. AB suggested the possibility of using the upstairs for office accommodation.
- c) There was a question about where the Heritage Centre leaflets were distributed. StK to locate the file containing the list and distribute it to the Committee. A new print of this leaflet would be required in advance of re-opening mid-February 2023.
- d) It is proposed to set up a Hunstanton History Group in the New Year, perhaps to meet on a Thursday in the Heritage Centre. A grant could be available to provide a warm space over winter, but time is limited to draw up a viable plan.
- e) The re-dedication of the Edith Cavell bench was judged to have been a very successful event thanks to Revd Kirsty Allan and AA. Very good publicity achieved.
- f) A display about Edith Cavell and Capt Fryatt should be considered, along with the efforts of Rev AA Toms in creating the Garden of Remembrance.

8. Gardens – Agreed that MB be given permission to purchase cyclamen for the HC tubs.

9. HHPCT Pier Project and KLHRC Project – Nothing to report, apart from a meeting with Angela Nubbert on the history of the Pier and our social media presence.

10. Treasurer’s Report - The accounts circulated to Committee before the meeting were agreed as being in good order and should be approved.

11. Newsletter – A Newsletter for October has already been distributed. That for November would include the final part on John Maiden’s life history. The December issue could well include an article about another object in the Heritage Centre. Also agreed that a proposed article about the Fairground and the Roper family should be incorporated into the February 2023 Newsletter; Colleen Roper is willing to give a talk at some stage in the future.

12. Marketing and Social Media matters – Already reported on earlier in the meeting.

13. Talks - AA reported that there were no additions to the list of Talks for this season.

14. Outings – No outings planned until next year.

15. Date and Venue next Committee meeting – set for Tuesday, 15th November, 10am at Heritage Centre

Dates & Times of H&DCS Events		
15 ^h Nov	10.00am	H&DCS Committee meeting at Heritage Centre
16 th Nov	7.30pm	Second talk of the season – Kenyan Orphanage – Briony Bax
14 th Dec	7.00pm	AGM and Talk/films