

HUNSTANTON CIVIC SOCIETY – MINUTES for Tuesday 17th. August 2010

Executive Committee Meeting held at Valentine Road at 11.30 am

Present: Margi Blunden, Cllr. Carol Bower, Jilly Hall, Brian Holmes, Kenneth Lawson (Treasurer), John Maiden, Andrew Murray (Hon. Sec), Margaret Robinson & Miss Ivy Scales,

1. **Apologies** – Martin Chown (Chairman), Susan Boxell, Roy Clark, Anthony Gooch & David Jones.
2. **Election of Chair** - In the absence of Mr Chown, Cllr. Carol Bower was elected to chair the meeting.
3. **Minutes** of Meeting held on 21st July, (previously circulated), were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
4. **Secretary's Report** – as previously circulated, taken as read. The circulars received were shown around including the King's Lynn Civic Society event at Methodist Church, London Road, King's Lynn on 4th November at which Tony Burton is to speak on 'A new Dawn for the Civic Movement'
5. **Treasurer's Report** (pre-circulated) – Revised report was circulated this morning. BH may scrap the idea of a surround for the bed outside the Coal Shed but the bed needs to be improved. He presented his expenses for the forthcoming Railway exhibition. It was suggested that if Fossil hunt had preceded, Cindy's talk it may have attracted a bigger audience. JM, DJ and KL went to see the Guide and Scout premises. They have started the work assisted by a loan that they wish to redeem. KL to see Ann Wylie again. The possibility of the Scouts/ Guides helping us with a leaflet drop or survey was discussed.
6. **Recommendations of the Steering Committee** – All 4 recommendations were discussed and agreed.
7. **Report from Green and Pier sub-committee** – A meeting needs to be arranged to update people. The skate board ramp has been put on the Promenade in a Conservation Area without it going to the advisory committee. A trader under the non-pier is paying rent for the use of promenade. The BC has notices saying that there must not be an obstruction but at the same time permitting such obstructions. Sub-committee needs to draft a letter demanding answers to these anomalies in accord with the 'Big Society'. Mr Petchey has not yet submitted his final opinion on the Registration of the Green and then it will be considered by the head of law at NCC. JM invited members to e-mail him with their availability.
8. **Report from Heritage sub-committee** – 16 Aug. Rail signal installation is virtually complete. We have 2 years to arrange to have a railway carriage in time for 150th. anniversary of Henry le Strange's death and opening of the railway. Terry Clay, at Heacham Station has offered to strip out the coach and refit. Heritage Lottery fund approach needed and planning permission. It was thought that the Borough may wish for site to be leased to us but it could incorporate a café and tourist information. The Neolithic Site at top of Oasis Way requires some type of identification. We should use Hunstanton St. Edmund as our address. 6 more projects to be developed in due course including stained glass and road names. It was thought that a plaque should be on James Frederick Jackson's house in Victoria Avenue.
9. **Participation in Tour of Britain Cycle Race** – 6th. leg KL to Yarmouth comes through Hunstanton about midday on 16th. September. HTC decided to try to promote Hunstanton. All school children (above reception age) to come down to the Green at 10.30 for a picnic and fun day. Oasis, Bowlers and Sea Life centre co-operating. Redgate School will have a bicycle orchestra, Carnival Queen, Sun of Sunny Hunny Promotion in Friday supplement in EDP. Civic Society can participate in marshalling, supervising, monitoring.
Christmas Event – HTC is offering its services to help the other services in the area. We should decorate a Christmas Tree for the Town Hall
10. **Dates of next meeting** - Wed. 15th. Sept at 11.30 or 22nd proposed.
(After meeting re-arranged to Monday 6th September at 2 pm.)
11. **AOB** – none