

Hunstanton Civic Society

Ordinary Executive Committee Meeting, Tuesday 13 December 2011 at 10.00 am In Large Meeting Room, Valentine Road

Present: Andrew Murray (Interim Secretary and Chairman), Anthony Gooch, (Treasurer), Margi Blunden, Sue Boxell, Norma Ham, John Maiden, Ivy Scales

1. **Request for funding from Hunstanton Girl Guides.** Hilary Letch, Leader, outlined the many activities of her group, illustrating present and future costs of projects. In particular, they were hoping to attend a large, international Jamboree in August 2012 in Essex. This would cost £250 per guide, plus transport by coach. HL said they really needed to raise £50 per girl, leaving parents to supply the rest.

Discussion followed on the need to reach out to other young people in Hunstanton. The guides were doing plenty of fund-raising. AM thought that Scouts might be approached to assist in this. HL advised there were no Scouts in the town, though there were Beavers. MB suggested sixth-formers studying history might be interested in getting involved. JM said volunteering would be an important part of that.

Action: JM would organize a fund-raising event in the Town Hall in February 2012. This would take as a theme "The Heritage of our Town". Entry would be payable. Guides would be selling items such as home-made cakes, etc. JM said that the Town Council had allocated £200 for the Guides.

2. **Apologies.** None.
3. **Minutes** of Meeting held on Tuesday 15 November were approved and signed by John Maiden, outgoing Chairman.
4. **Secretary's Report.** Various items were briefly discussed, including the crossing to the Recreation Ground. Presently it was too narrow for caravans, which meant they had to go through town. Suggested improvement of the central refuge would not help in this regard. AM believed that the answer would be to make it a Pelican crossing with lights, as at Smithdon High School.
5. **Treasurer's Report.** After expenses and income for the AGM the current a/c had a balance of £1,785.48 and the deposit a/c £9,072.05. Concerning membership numbers, AG said that we now had 19 new, including five "life" members. Regarding those who had not renewed, AG would check to see if any had passed away. Committee members would be asked to follow up by enquiring if those still with us would like to continue their membership. AM expressed grateful thanks on behalf of Committee members to AG for his co-ordinating the excellent buffet.
6. **Report from Green and Pier Sub-Committee.** Not presented.

7. **Report from Heritage Sub-Committee.** Not presented.
8. **Review of AGM of 6 December 2011.** It had gone very well, though MC's appeal for volunteers for Committee or Helpers fell on deaf ears. Alistair Murphy gave a most interesting presentation on "A History of Cromer's Piers and Jetties".
9. **Dates of next Committee Meetings and Talks evenings.** The next **Executive Committee Meeting** will be on **Tuesday 17 January at 9.00 am** and the next Talk will be by John Maiden: "Hunstanton: A Railway Town in Need of a Railway", on **Tuesday 17 January 2012 at 7.30 pm**.