

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON 11TH APRIL, 2013 AT 7.00 PM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, NORTH LODGE, CROMER**

Present:-

Chairman – Cllr. T. Nash, Cllr. H. Cox, Cllr. S. Eastwood, Cllr. J. Hamilton-Emery,
Cllr. D. Pritchard, Cllr. G. Smith, Cllr. V. Woodcock, Jo Alger – Chamber of Trade,
Richard Leeds and Tony Shipp.

Julie Chance – Town Clerk.

Two members of the public also attended the meeting.

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5TH FEBRUARY 2013

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5th February 2013, having been **AGREED** at Full Council on 11th March 2013, were signed by the Chairman.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of interest were received as follows:-

Cllr. H. Cox	-	Crab & Lobster Festival.
Cllr. S. Eastwood	-	About with Friends.
Cllr. V. Woodcock	-	Christmas Lights and Cromer in Bloom.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Jackie Richards, Peter Stibbons and Tracey Khalil.

It was **AGREED** that the meeting would be suspended for public participation.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None received.

The meeting was reconvened.

5. QUEEN'S CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

5.1 The Clerk reported that permission has been received from North Norfolk District Council for the use of North Lodge Park for the celebrations. The Village Games have been booked for Sunday 2nd June from 12 Noon to 5 pm. The Rock Shop has been booked for a BBQ and the Clerk will speak to Icarus Hines concerning a hog roast. Unfortunately the Archive Cinema Tour was unavailable for Sunday 2nd June but will be attending North Lodge Park on

Sunday 9th June. It was **AGREED** that the large tent will be hired from the VEO to house the music groups, in case of inclement weather, and will be erected on the piece of ground next to the boating lake. Biscuit will inform the Clerk of the cost of the hire to be agreed at Full Council on Monday 15th April, 2013. Richard Leeds confirmed that it would be possible to supply electricity at this location. It was **AGREED** that Cllr. Eastwood and the Clerk will liaise concerning music groups for the event.

6. TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRES

6.1 No report received.

7. MARRIAGES

7.1 Noted.

8. FIREWORK EVENT

8.1 Concern was expressed that the process for distributing the firework grants may be reviewed. It was stressed that the firework event is run by volunteers who wish to retain some input into the decision of grant recipients. Strong support and appreciation was expressed for the volunteers and all their hard work. This matter is not on an agenda for discussion at the present time.

8.2 Firework Grants:-

The following grants were **AGREED** for recommendation to Full Council:-

	£
VEO Children's Activities	500.00
VEO Art Week	300.00
Cromer & North Norfolk Festival of Music Dance and Speech	100.00
About with Friends	300.00
Axe Club	200.00
St. Peter and St. Paul Church	200.00
VEO – Volunteering at Event	200.00

£1,800.00
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It was **AGREED** that the Clerk will place an article in the Cromer Times requesting organisations to request a grant for the remainder of the funding.

9. TWINNING ASSOCIATION

9.1 Cllr. Cox reported that the plans for the visit in August are progressing. There will be no formal Civic Event but a Ceremony will be held at the flagpoles on the Runton Road. VEO are supplying a tent and all Members will be invited once details are known. It is hoped that some Italian friends will also be attending this year.

10. **BLOOM COMMITTEE**

10.1 Minutes attached.

11. **ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND COMMUNITY OPEN DAY (26th & 27th APRIL 2013)**

11.1 **Annual Town Meeting:-** The Clerk reported that Philip Haslam, The Chief Executive Officer for Eastern Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authority has confirmed that he will be attending as guest speaker. Posters have been produced and are in the process of being distributed.

11.2 **Annual Town Open Day:-** The Clerk reported that the arrangements are progressing. The Cromer Academy Samba Band have agreed to attend.

11.3 **Cromer Honours:-** The nominations were **AGREED** and will be announced shortly.

12. **OTHER EVENTS**

12.1 **Christmas Celebrations:-** Cllr. Nash reported that the event is following a new format this year with the celebrations taking place on Saturday 7th December. The Christmas Tree and Nativity Festivals will run from Wednesday 4th to Saturday 7th December. Minutes will be circulated once ready.

12.2 **Mayor's Civic Event:-** Cllr. Smith reported that the event had been a success and enjoyed by all present. The buffet was supplied by About With Friends and the charity amount raised for the Royal British Legion was £398.49.

12.3 **Sport Relief Mile:-** It was **AGREED** to support this event. Concern was expressed that the route should be flat in order to allow all abilities and ages to take part. A vote of thanks was noted for Cllr. Harris for his hard work in organising this event.

12.4 **The Anglian Long Distance Triathlon:-** Cllr. Cox reported that the arrangements for this event are in progress.

13. **OTHER PUBLICITY MATTERS**

13.1 **Blue Plaque Policy:-** It was **AGREED** that the adopted Blue Plaque Policy and list of names would be circulated to all Members for comments. The Clerk will also circulate the information received concerning the North Walsham Blue Plaques.

13.2 **Joint Publicity Meeting:-** The Clerk reported that Sheringham Town Council have re-arranged the meeting for Wednesday 15th May 2013 at 7.30 pm. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would enquire whether this date was still available taking into account the Civic Service of Thanksgiving for the North Norfolk District Council Chairman.

13.3 **QJ & J Boat:-** It was **AGREED** to accept the quotation from Richard Cowels at Camps Heath for the transporting the QJ&J to Rescue Wooden Boats in Stiffkey. The Clerk will action accordingly. The Clerk will ascertain the current position concerning funding.

- 13.4 Old Cemetery Chapel:-** Cllr. Cox reported that approval of the FLAG grant is awaited.
- 13.5 Henry Blogg Gardens:-** The Clerk read a letter received from North Norfolk District Council stating that there needs to be a cohesive re-design for the space which incorporated adequate planting and seating before the request to remove the planting area in the centre would be considered. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would write again pointing out that the planted area in question is in very poor condition with the current planting past its best. The request is to only lay four concrete slabs and put in place planters which could be moved in order to use the area as a performance space for various events in the Town. The Clerk will point out that the volunteers who have offered to carry out the work are qualified in this field of work.
- 13.6 Chamber of Trade:-** Minutes attached.
- 13.7 St. George's Day concert:-** The Clerk reported that this event has been cancelled as requested. The Cromer and Sheringham Brass Band are concerned at the late cancellation and may well put in a complaint. It was **AGREED** that the St. George's Day, Union Jack and Cromer Town Council flags will be flown from the North Lodge flagpole on St. George's Day. Richard Leeds will action.
- 13.8 Cromer Carnival – Red Arrows:-** Tony Shipp reported that the Red Arrows will not be attending Cromer this year. Each year the Carnival Committee have to submit an application form for consideration in January. Following the recent accidents, the regulations have changed concerning times and distance between displays. The Red Arrows performed at both Weymouth and Cromer on Carnival Day and this distance is now not acceptable. They performed at Cromer last year and feel they should perform at Weymouth this year. The Carnival Committee have worked very hard to secure a replacement aerial display and this has now been booked. A vote of thanks was given to Tony Shipp and the Carnival Committee for their hard work and efforts on behalf of the Town.

14. CORRESPONDENCE AND CIRCULARS

- 14.1 Net Effect:-** The leaflet was passed to Jo Alger for action by Cromer Chamber of Trade. Noted.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was noted as Monday 29th April 2013 at 7.00 pm.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.47 pm.

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Chairman

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Date