

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PROMOTION AND EVENTS COMMITTEE
HELD ON TUESDAY 18TH FEBRUARY, 2020 AT 7.00 PM
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, NORTH LODGE, CROMER

Present:-

Chairman – Cllr. R. Leeds, Cllr. T. Adams, Cllr. D. Roberts, Jim Bond,
Sam Grout, Derek Hinds, Margaret Mitchell, Tony Shipp and Peter Stibbons.

In Attendance:-

Cllr. P. Bennett, Cllr. H. Cox, Cllr. P. Harris, Cllr. D. Russell and Cllr. E. Spagnola.

Julie Chance FSLCC – Town Clerk.

Three members of the public also attended the meeting.

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7TH JANUARY, 2020

The Minutes of the meeting held on 7th January 2020, having been **AGREED** at Full Council were signed by the Chairman.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. T. Adams, Cllr. P. Bennett, Cllr. H. Cox, Cllr P. Harris, Margaret Mitchell and Peter Stibbons in respect of the grant applications. Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. R. Leeds in respect of any PA matters. Declarations of interest were received from Cllr. T. Adams in respect of the Cromer Honours nominations.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. A. Yiasimi and Simon Fenn.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A member of the public gave a presentation on the new Art Project Group. Attached.
A member of the public gave a presentation on the COAST – Cromer Stage Presentation. Attached.

5. MARRIAGES

5.1 Ceremony Bookings attached.

6. FIREWORK EVENT

6.1 Tony Shipp reported that the event had been a great success with over £10,000 collected in the buckets. Meetings with the SAG team at North Norfolk District Council have taken place and issues which were raised concerning traffic management were addressed with the use of signage and leaflets. There have been no complaints from the Police or public following the event. The committee would like to thank Craig Smith for filming the fireworks.

6.2 Fireworks Grant Applications:-

The following grants were recommended to Full Council:-	£
Cromer Skate Park	400.00
Friends of Suffield Park Infant and Nursery School	400.00
Cromer Community Association	1,000.00
COAST Arts	500.00
North Norfolk Preschool	500.00
1 st Cromer Sea Scouts	500.00
Friends of Cromer Museum	400.00
Cromer Arts Project	700.00
Cromer Christmas Lights Volunteers	500.00
Friends of North Lodge Park	250.00
Friends of Cromer Academy	150.00
Cromer Community & Hospital Friends	1,000.00

Total	6,300.00
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It was **AGREED** that the surplus of £90.20 would be carried forward to next year.

It was **AGREED** that the foreign currency which has been collected over the years will be donated to NatWest to go towards the charities they support. It was **AGREED** that a press release will be prepared to inform members of the public.

7. CHRISTMAS EVENT

7.1 The Clerk reported that arrangements are going well for 2020. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 9th April, 2020 at 10.30 am in the Council Chamber, North Lodge.

8. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

8.1 **Chamber of Trade:-** Sam Grout reported that there has been a positive start to the new year and Cromer bucks the national trend with very few empty shops. The AGM will be held next month, date and time to be confirmed. The Chamber of Trade will be reviewing their Constitution which is very out of date. They are working on the Town Map to be a fold up leaflet and updating the Website. The town is looking forward to the 1960's festival. The Chamber of Trade are also looking at supporting the Angel Packs which are designed to make people waiting for ambulances more comfortable.

8.2 **Cromer in Bloom:-** Jim Bond reported that general ongoing maintenance is taking place. They are aiming to finish the Morrisons corner this weekend. It was **AGREED** that Cllr. Adams and Jim Bond will liaise concerning the damage and loss of plants at the TIC. Cllr. Adams will discuss this matter with North Norfolk District Council with a view to trying to obtain some compensation for the damage and loss of plants during the refurbishment work. Minutes attached.

8.3 **Cromer VEO:-** Tony Shipp reported that the planning for this year's carnival is going well. The application for the Red Arrows has been submitted and they should hear if they have been successful by mid-March. The pancake races will be held this Sunday on the pier forecourt.

8.4 **RNLI:-** Derek Hinds reported that the Lifeboat Open Day will be held on 24th May. The Family Service will be held on 12th July and Lifeboat Day will be held on 26th July. The Open Meeting due to be held on 1st May has been postponed until early Autumn. The volunteering day was very successful and hopefully new recruits will be in place shortly.

8.5 **Town Crier:-** No report received.

- 8.6 Twinning Association:-** Cllr. Cox reported that Sheringham Twinning Association have sent an open invite for their Annual Lunch which will be held on Wednesday 11th March at 12.30 pm at the Pepper Pot, West Runton.
- 8.7 Cromer Museum:-** Peter Stibbons reported from the Friends of Cromer Museum. They are very grateful for the financial assistance that Cromer Town Council are giving to enable the Museum to be open in March. There was some confusion on whether North Norfolk District Council have agreed this funding and the Clerk will forward the email from the Museum Service confirming that they believe it has been agreed. Peter reported that the Museum will be losing their curator due to retirement. Alistair Murphy has been the longest serving member of the Museum Service. There will be a presentation evening for Alistair in April and the friends have enquired whether Cromer Town Council would like to contribute towards this. This matter will be discussed at the next Full Council meeting. There will be no full time replacement which means the background knowledge will be lost. An evening on "How Cromer was Photographed" will be held on Friday 21st February, 2020 and there will be two more talks on the third Fridays of March and April. History Day will be held on 13th June, 2020.
- 8.8 Crab & Lobster Festival:-** Tony Shipp reported that the launch of the Art Trail was held last week. The seahorses are available in two sizes. The opening concert will be held on Friday 15th May and the tickets are available for purchase. Tony reported that they are losing their secretary and if anyone is interested they should contact him.
- 8.9 Christmas Lights Volunteers:-** Margaret Mitchell reported that they are going ahead with the trench to install cables at Cromer Church. The Christmas tree has been removed from the back of the Church. The AGM will be held shortly. Date and time to be confirmed.
- 8.10 Cromer Church:-** No report received.
- 8.11 Walk Cromer:-** Cllr. Cox reported that the AGM will be held on 24th March and a film of the peregrines will be shown. They have another dark skies walk planned. They are working closely with the TIC on the Deep History Coast Project. Cllr. Cox reported that she will be going to Berlin to talk to the International Tourist Board on the chalk bed. Dorothy Baker who with her husband travelled with a Standard Bearers Display Team, has died. Her funeral will be held on Tuesday 3rd March at 2.00 pm in Cromer Church. All the groups in Cromer are struggling to find secretaries and treasurers and a suggestion would be to have a paid position with the organisations contributing towards the cost. The person could then be a professional secretary or treasurer. This matter needs some thought by the organisations.

9. OTHER EVENTS

- 9.1 Cromer Charity Fun Run:-** This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.
- 9.2 Community Open Day:-** The Clerk reported that the Community Open Day will be held on Saturday 11th July in North Lodge Park.
- 9.3 Cromer Honours:-** **AGREED.**
- 9.4 Annual Town Meeting:-** The Clerk reported that the Annual Town Meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th March at 7.00 pm in the Parish Hall. Cllr. Cox will be reporting on the arrangements for VE weekend and a film taken by Peter Stibbons showing the progress of the making of the poppies will be shown.
- 9.5 Public Liability Insurance:-** It was reported that all organisations attending events arranged by Cromer Town Council will be asked for a copy of their Public Liability Insurance cover.

10. OTHER PUBLICITY MATTERS

10.1 Blue Plaques:- It was reported that the sites where they are being located is still in the process of being agreed. This matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update. Following the erection of the three blue plaques this year, discussion will take place for the next three. The Clerk reported that she has received two requests which will be considered.

10.2 Flying of Flags:- It was **AGREED** to recommend to Policy & Resources that we fly the NHS flag on 5th July each year. A flag will need to be purchased for this and there is an allowance in the budget.

It was **AGREED** a date needed to be decided for the flying of the LGBT flag. Some research will be undertaken and this matter will be placed on the next agenda for an update.

11. CORRESPONDENCE AND CIRCULARS

11.1 CHAT Coffee Mornings – Mental Health Support:- Circulated. Noted.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was noted as 31st March, 2020.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.44 pm.

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Chairman

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Date