

HOLT SOCIETY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES: 21st March 2017

1. Apologies
MA; GD

SB made a presentation to Norman Cooker and wife Jill with a show of thanks for their kind hospitality in hosting the Committee meetings for the last 15 years at their home

2. Minutes of last meeting 20th February 2017
Approved and signed

3. Matters Arising

SW: AGM. Tablecloths - SB to follow up; TL to organise printing of the Agenda and Minutes and follow up with GD re end of year Accounts – SW to send original copies to TL; WR to take Minutes at the meeting; TL to look after the audio visual requirements; SB to contact Howard Foale re microphone availability. GD/MA to advise re food for AGM. SB to organise wine etc

MA: Holt sign board. Due MA absence agreed to F/F to next meeting. TL to follow up with MA in the meantime to progress ideas/figures for next meeting

TL: Microphone/PA system. Portable public address systems are either cheap or expensive but not much in the middle. Suitable system available for £185 including microphones (single collar device with radio system) and VAT. For an additional £18 we could also purchase a portable mike. ALL agreed. TL to follow up

TL: Wartime and Post war Holt reprint. 100 books could be printed for £595 with Lavenham Press. Some corrections/updates would be needed in advance of printing. A move up to B5 was possible for the same cost. ALL agreed – TL to progress

4. Planning Applications

PF/17/0217 Erection of single and two storey extension to dwelling at 55 New Street – no concerns

PF/17/0344 Demolition of car port and erection of two storey side extension to form an annexe at 6 Kelling Road – no concerns

LA/17/0200 internal and external alterations at 1 Carpenters Cottage 29a Norwich Road – no concerns

PF/17/0141 erection of lighting on 4m high columns to car park to replace existing bollard lighting at Gresham's Prep. School – no concerns

WR also chased up NNDC re Cottage Collectables and Praze Cottage both of which are nationally listed but still no reply

5. National Listing of Buildings/Local Listing

WR to explain at AGM the difference between National and Local Listing. WR/TL to see if map showing Listed buildings can be reproduced for the AGM – or alternatively produce as a slide

The Post Office is currently on the Local List but ALL felt that it should be nominated for the National List. WR working through the documents but it may not be easy to comply. TL to find out who owns the building

Local listing: NNDC guide – buildings that contribute significantly to the local character

HS Local listing group – SB, SW, WR and GD visited Holt and identified the following buildings that could be considered for addition to the current List:

1. Shire House and Shire Cottage – attached to Shirehall. Was the old Methodist Manse and now forms Nelsons eyepatch opticians
2. 18 and 20 Albert Street near the fish and chip shop. Was the first Methodist Church in Holt
3. Well Cottage in Cross Street. Interesting little cottage with well that has been plugged
4. Owl Cottage (1803) Loynes Yard. Set back by the blacksmiths buildings with a series of grotesques on the wall
5. Primary school

WR to follow up with Paul Rhymes to see if there is a way forward to add these buildings to the Local List. Will need to follow up with Town Council as well

In addition ALL had concern over 4 New Street which has been falling into disrepair for years and now has a huge crack in the side elevation. ALL agreed we should raise concerns with NNDC and Town Council. WR to follow up

6. Membership

NC: position to date - 184 members, 8 honorary. Those 26 who have not renewed have all been contacted. KG and NC now working close together for handover after the AGM. KG looking at sticky labels that can be printed to cover the membership forms so we can continue using

7. Treasurer

In GD absence figures provided. Balance at bank on 14th March stands at £5,845.72.

8. AGM

Covered above

9. Any other business

SB: the financing of the Town Trail may produce a shortfall and the town may seek to introduce a pledge campaign. If so would the Committee be happy to support the donation of funds to perhaps a level of £500 to £1000 towards the scheme. ALL agreed. SB to propose at the AGM

10. Date of next meeting - 5.00pm Wednesday 3rd May at 63 Cromer Road, Holt NR25 6DY. Telephone number: 01263 713605