

HOLT SOCIETY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES: Monday 5th September 2022

Attendees: Keith Gosden, Susan Williams, Geoff Davis, Steve Benson, Polly Binns, Tim Bennett

A minute's silence was held in memory of and in respect for Ken Jones

1. Apologies

TL

2. Minutes of last meeting: 11th July 2022

Approved and signed

3. Matters Arising

4. Planning Applications TB

The Lawns – no concerns

Nelsons Fries – replace whole shopfront – an application is in but no plans as yet

Noon Cottage, Albert Street. Surprised that application for double glazing in wooden frames has been approved. PB suggested a letter be written to establish Policy/Guidance going forward on double glazing in Conservation areas. TB to follow up

Hempstead Mill – no plans as yet although an application is expected

Gresham's – roof extension link between Big School and Reith Building – no concerns

Peacock Lane – stockbroker style house has been approved. No relevance to its surroundings

PB – High Silver no planning available on site yet but builders are doing a lot of work inside and now visible through the front window. TB to follow up with NNDC/Planning
TB new handwash at the garage. Very noisy. Will follow up when a neighbour returns

5. Treasurer

Balance at the bank on 30th August 2022 was £6,892.28

Additional payments this month to cover flowers for Val (Ken Jones) and Stephen & Catherine Hume

SW had also requested funds from ESCAPADES monies to donate £300 each to Astley School for books for the new library and for art materials at Holt Primary. ALL approved

6. 2022 Events

PB The Margaret Bird Walking Tours organised during Festival Week with the Church had been very successful with both selling out. There are still 65 leaflets left which the Committee agreed to retain for future use. RS took photos – PB to provide copy to SW for Newsletter

Cellars project launch 23rd September at St Andrews Church followed by two tours of 20 individuals around Bakers & Larners cellars. PB to send out invites

December Talk – will be the cancelled Saffron Talk held over from last year

2022/23 programme. February event now the 22nd as dates clashed at The Venue

April AGM – Michael Gurney – The Venue

PB to recirculate date/talk calendar and provide copy to SW for Newsletter

Future plans to include Susan Smart – research project on St Andrews Church as it rose from the great fire and a talk on the Gloucester Wreck by Julian Barnwell. Dates TBC
Funding costs/income. PB to produce discussion paper. F/F next meeting

7. Membership/Publicity/w Committee members

255 Members. KG retrieved the paperwork side of the membership files from KJ office but not those files held on his computer. Reconciled through Geoff and confident that all members have been successfully picked up

KG – various issues the Committee will need to address/find interim solutions for going forward

1. Membership Committee Role. KG to take over pro tem
2. Publicity Committee Role
3. SB to step down at the AGM – replacement Committee member needed
4. SW to step down as Hon. Secretary at the AGM but will stay on as a Committee member. Secretary/Minute taker to be appointed
5. How we hold data in the future. SW to investigate feasibility/security of holding data on the Society's website and look at other alternatives
6. Need to establish and identify those materials KJ was working on and retrieve them from his computer. Initially the database and draft Newsletter
7. Need to find someone with suitable IT skills
8. ALL agreed to supply our own projects PR in the meantime
9. TL/SW to produce Newsletters pro tem

8. Any other business

Letter to HTC re benches and plaques. Plaques from the two seats by the obelisk have been removed/the round wooden seat in the memorial garden has been removed/the Slates to be added to the maintenance teams cleaning rota as being damaged/float the idea of HTC replacing at some stage the towns streetlights

KG Cellars Survey/Hidden World below Holt

Press release sent to Holt Chronicle and Just Holt. Aim to discover local houses/businesses that have cellars in Holt and record them. PB will do a dummy run on filling out the survey form on the Roundhouse

East Anglian Archive have accepted the Holt Film into their archive

9. Date and venue of next meeting. Wednesday 12th October 3.00pm at Hanworth House
KG to invite Mayor Rodney Smith to attend