

HOLT SOCIETY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES: Wednesday 14th December 2022

14.00 at Hanworth House

1. Apologies

2. Minutes of last meeting – Monday 21st November 2022

Approved and signed

3. Matters Arising

F/F: Membership Fee/Event Fee changes – proposal for AGM. Discussion document pre-circulated. ALL supported the proposal that Membership fees be retained as is and fees for Talks/Visits etc be increased as required

F/F: 2022/2023 programme funding costs/income. Not discussed. F/F

KG: Approach from Robin Back. He is interested in taking on the Membership role and also deal with IT requirements. Away till February – KG to invite to next appropriate meeting

KG presented copies of Margaret Birds book. KG/MB/SW to meet/discuss marketing strategy

4. Planning Applications – TB report

House Peacock Lane - planning approved for very large, modern house

Holm Oaks B&B sold – to be cedar clad, with additional wing - probably back to a house

Nelson Fries – replace existing window and put in new wooden door frontage

Chapel Yard Organics – new wooden window and new signage – already approved

The Lawns - planning application to alter interior

Valley House - planning application withdrawn

Joules – permission re repaint the outside the Joules yellow

Planning given for solar panels on cottage in the Blue Row, Albert Street. Concerns raised.

Need a policy from NNDC if solar panels are now to be allowed on Listed/Conservation Area buildings

43 Bull Street/Hanworth House solar panels – pre application in – but results of discussion not as yet published

5. Membership

266

KG: when Robin Back in place look at ways of storing/accessing membership database digitally

6. Treasurer

Balance at bank on 10th December - £6,630.37

7. 2022/23 Events

Feedback on Saffron Talk. 43 total audience - 11 BACS/20 cash/12 card

Ann Plumstead has kindly written a piece to be inserted in the late December issue of the Holt Chronicle

PB: Feedback from Members – would prefer to come out during the day/afternoon rather than the evening during winter months

8. Any other business

SB: signage at The Feathers. Discussion with Operations Manager and Duty Manager at The Feathers. SB sent various attachments including a picture from around 1919/1920 which clearly shows the moulded/plaster sign and the hanging sign of three Prince of Wales feathers on the wall above the door. The Managers said that the Corporate signage could not be changed but did advise that they have kept the original signage on the glass door inside. They have forwarded correspondence to their head office

TB: James Thompson and James Sedgwick doing a book on the church windows – possibility of joint event, St Andrews and Holt Society

TB: Father Howard interested in the Sue Smart event at the church and wondered if it could be opened up to the congregation. PB had intended it to be a Members only event – however it could be moved into the church to make room for others. PB to follow up with Sue Smart. TB said the church could offer some sort of refreshments to make it a joint/social event

Bishop keen churches get to net zero on lighting and looking at the installation of solar panels etc. Proposal to PCC to install on the rear facing roof of the Church. KG raised concern that supporting this would set a precedent for housing in Holt and there could be future conflicts of interest – i.e., Hanworth House

PB: 14th January – Stephen Hume's funeral at The Venue

KG: John Jarvis memory swap – Philip West has a number of postcards of Holt which are different from the ones we hold – he will happily supply copies of those that are his

PB: the Society will need an archivist to catalogue all items held – especially when the Heritage Room is in place

Newsletter January. PB to supply material on Gloucester Talk and details of AGM

TL: reprint the John Roebuck ww2 book – Keith Britten/Holt Bookshop thinks putting up to £15 not a problem

9. Date and venue of next meeting – Monday 23rd January 2023, 2.00 at Tony's house