

## Grimsby, Cleethorpes and District Civic Society

### Minutes of an Executive Committee Meeting held at Bridge Club, Bargate, Grimsby on 5 January 2017

| Present                |   |  |
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| Martyn Turner (Chair)  | Alan Holmes (Treasurer)   | Peter Milson   |
| Ann Turner (Programme) | Alan Nicholson  | Sue Milsom   |
| Teresa Bassett         | Caroline Cook (Minutes)   |  |
| Item                   | Communication   | Actioned   |
| Previous Minutes       | Minutes of the meeting of 17 November 2016 were read & agreed.  |  |
| Matters Arising        | <p>Grimsby Town <i>Welcome</i> sign - MT confirmed that following investigations, planning permission was not required for the sign. The design including, up to date Society logo, was agreed and AH would therefore arrange for it to be produced and AN would liaise with David Hatfield of TransPennine trains to arrange the installation.</p> <p>Civic Voice - Despite his best efforts, MT had had no response from anyone from Civic Voice. TB agreed to get in touch with her contact from Civic Voice, Ian Harvey. AH had now paid YHACS the £50 payment that was due.</p> <p>Tree planting - the tree planting had taken place in November and had been publicised in the <i>Grimsby Telegraph</i> and <i>Cleethorpes Chronicle</i>. It had been suggested a second tree be donated. However, Phil Hewitt of NE Lincs Council wished to monitor the site before planting another tree. It was therefore agreed that the Society consider donating a tree to Cleethorpes in Bloom. MT would make contact with Phil Hewitt and Cleethorpes In Bloom regarding this.</p> <p>Cleethorpes Pier - The Pier was now sold. Consideration would be given to donating another plaque in due course.</p> <p><i>The Esther and Ross Tiger</i> - MT had received correspondence from Rob Walsh and Councillor Ray Oxby of NE Lincs Council, regarding the future of these vessels, the nature of which could be described as inconclusive. There had been no further contact with Neil Turner. It was agreed that MT write back to Messrs Walsh and Oxby requesting that a member of the Committee be invited to attend future meetings of the Council's subcommittee dealing with heritage issues.</p> <p>Wilkinson's - MT had now obtained an address for Wilkinson's headquarters and would write to them in due course.</p> | <p>AH/AN</p> <p>TB</p> <p>MT</p> <p>MT</p> <p>MT</p> |
| Treasurer's Report     | <p>AH reported that the Society currently had £5,645 in the bank. As previously agreed, he would arrange to order a spare cheque book before the end of the financial year.</p> <p>Gift Aid paperwork was completed and would be processed at the accountants, though some further documentation was still required by Mr Wilson for a previous claim.</p>  | AH   |
| Events Programme       | Following the success of last year's meal, PM had made a provisional booking at the Wheatsheaf for a Christmas meal on 2 December 2017.   |  |

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|                           | <p>AT had analysed suggestions received from members for speakers and outing destinations and reported on her findings. She had also compiled the provisional programme for 2017/18, which included Brian from the antique shop at Cleethorpes on antiques and Jill Smith from the Society on her collection of local photos. Other possible speakers included MP's agents and someone from TransPennine trains.</p> <p>TB asked if afternoon meetings would be feasible and it was agreed that perhaps one afternoon meeting could be booked on a trial basis in 2017/18 programme.</p> <p>With regard to the 2017 AGM, AN agreed to ask local band Merlin's Keep if they could provide entertainment .</p> <p>With regard to the outing to Hull in June 2017, TB would get in touch with her contact at Hull Civic Society, with a view to arranging an introductory talk. It was also agreed that bus transport would be provided.</p> | <p>AN</p> <p>TB</p> |
| Membership                | <p>TB had provided MT with an updated list of members. There was still a discrepancy in respect of 16 members who usually paid by standing order. This may have arisen because of a missing bank statement.</p> <p>Following a discussion, it was agreed that MT would write to the Lord Cormack, reminding him that his subscription was due.</p> <p>There was a further discussion on the unresolved issue of corporate membership. MT would draft a letter to send to local businesses with a view to recruiting more corporate members.</p>   | <p>MT</p> <p>MT</p> |
| Planning                  | There was nothing to report at present but a meeting was planned for later in the month.  |                     |
| Correspondence            | MT had received a letter from the Lord Cormack about the condition of the White Lodge at Old Clee. It was understood the property was empty and would be up for sale shortly.   |                     |
| <b>Any Other Business</b> |   |                     |
| Newsletter                | SM had emailed the newsletter to members. It was agreed that copies be professionally printed and distributed at the next meeting to members who were not on email. The issue of a two tier subscription was discussed. It was also agreed that the newsletter be produced annually at the beginning of the year.   | SM                  |
| Business cards            | These had now been produced and distributed to the Committee.   |                     |
| Publicity                 | SM would contact the press advertising the next meeting, including in the <i>What's On</i> section of the <i>Grimsby Telegraph</i> . Posters would be placed in various locations including Grimsby Central Library. Lincs Inspire had failed to publish meeting details in their quarterly newsletter but the matter was being addressed.  | SM                  |
| Possible speakers         | PM suggested two speakers, who were giving talks at Grimsby Family History Society and at the Friends of Cleethorpes Heritage - Steven Wakefield (on Grimsby Freeman) and David Start (on lost abbeys of Cleethorpes).  |                     |
| Grimsby Town FC           | There was a short discussion on the proposed new stadium. MT noted that official plans had not yet been published.  |                     |
| YHACS                     | The AGM was on 28 January 2017 at Harrogate.  |                     |

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| Society Donation                               | AT suggested that the Society use some of its funds to make a donation of artwork to brighten the area, with a possible budget of up to £2,000. Steel balls for the Victoria Street fountain were suggested. |  |
| Litter pick                                    | A litter pick had been arranged for 4 March 2017 in conjunction with the Rotary Club. Volunteers were sort from members.   |  |
| Blue plaques                                   | MT had spoken to the Mayor of North East Lincs recently and as a result would contact the Mayor's office regarding the proposed plaque for Brenda Fisher.  |  |
| Chair  | MT noted that he was resign the post of Chairman at the AGM in May 2017 and AN would take over. The post of vice Chair would therefore be vacant.  |  |
| <b>Date of Next Meeting - 23 February 2017</b> |  |  |

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| <b>Present</b>   |   |   |
| Martyn Turner (Chair)  | Alan Holmes (Treasurer)   | Peter Milsom                                      |
| Ann Turner (Programme)   | Alan Nicholson  | Sue Milsom  |
| Teresa Bassett   | Caroline Cook (Minutes)   |   |
| The meeting was attended by Trevor Ellis of Mariner Computer Services, who gave a presentation on what his company could offer in terms of a new Society website. Graham Basset (GB) was also in attendance for this part of the meeting and the discussion that followed. |   |   |
| <b>Item</b>  | <b>Communication</b>  | <b>Actioned</b>                                   |
| Previous Minutes   | Minutes of the meeting of 5 January 2017 were read & agreed.  |   |
| Matters Arising  | <p>Grimsby Town <i>Welcome</i> sign - AN confirmed the sign had been delivered to the Station and was awaiting installation by train company staff. AN noted there would be a publicity opportunity.</p> <p>Civic Voice - This had now been paid. AH would check that cheques for both this and YHACS had been cashed.</p> <p>Tree/shrub planting - It had agreed with <i>In Bloom</i> and the Council that a tree or shrub(s) would be donated to be planted in a mutually agreed part of Cleethorpes.</p> <p>Cleethorpes Pier - It was agreed that a new plaque be donated to be displayed at the Pier.</p> <p><i>The Esther</i> and <i>Ross Tiger</i> - MT had now been in contact with Neil Turner and would forward previous correspondence with the Council to him.</p> <p>Wilkinson's - MT had been in contact with Wilko's head office and awaited a reply.</p> <p>Hull trip - TB had been in touch with her contact from Hull Civic Society and it would be possible to arrange either a short talk or short guided walk or trip on the road train. TB would finalise this in due course.</p> <p>The White Lodge - The Lord Cormack had been informed of the ongoing sale of the White Lodge.</p> <p>Membership - MT had investigated and it was possible that the Lord Cormack had life membership as a result of a donation made many years previously. However, there was no record of this.</p> <p>Newsletter - it was provisionally agreed that a second newsletter be produced, possibly in July, if sufficient material was available.</p> <p>Blue plaques - MT and AT had met with the Mayor of NE Lincs Council again regarding a plaque in recognition of Brenda Fisher. After a short discussion it was agreed that Committee members were in favour of siting the plaque at the new swimming pool if this was acceptable to the council. MT would contact the mayor again.</p> | <p>AH</p> <p>MT</p> <p>TB</p> <p>SM</p> <p>MT</p> |

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| New website         | <p>MT produced information from the Statement Digital agency (based in Yorkshire) that had recently provided a number of YHACS societies with updated websites. The cost was approximately £300 including VAT for initial set up plus approximately £100 for the annual maintenance and rental fee.</p> <p>Following on from the presentation by Trevor Ellis of Mariner Computer Services it was agreed in principal that using a local firm who could provide an individually designed website would be advantageous. Costs were approximately £800 plus VAT with annual charge of £100 plus VAT. It was agreed that a sub committee consisting of AN, SM and GB would meet to discuss requirements in more detail.</p>   |        |
| Treasurer's Report  | <p>AH reported that the Society currently had £5,519.19 in the bank.</p> <p>There had been no further contact with Mr Wilson regarding the Gift Aid return though AH had now furnished further documentation.</p>   |        |
| Events Programme    | <p>AT outlined the 2017/2018 programme, which was now complete and ready for printing.</p> <p>She had booked Merlin's Keep as entertainment for the 2017 AGM in May.</p> <p>It was provisionally agreed that a representative from TransPennine trains be asked to give a short talk after the 2018 AGM.</p> <p>It was agreed that meetings would continue to be held in the Bremerhaven Room because the Crosland suite had to be kept free for use by the Council at short notice.</p> <p>AT reported that there had been very few bookings for the trip to Hull on 10 June 2017 so far. If numbers continued to be low, the bus would have to be cancelled. This would be reviewed during the next 2 months.</p> <p>It was agreed that the 2018 outing should be to Tattershall Castle and the East Kirkby Aviation Heritage Centre.</p> | AT     |
| Membership          | <p>TB had nothing to report. However, membership fees (currently £10) were due for renewal in April. MT suggested that since subscriptions had been frozen for several years they should be increased. Following a discussion it was agreed they be increased to £15. The renewal forms would be reprinted and would be sent by post (rather than email) to all members together with an explanatory letter prepared by MT.</p> <p>Corporate membership was discussed again without conclusion.</p>   | TB, MT |
| Notable Names Board | <p>PM and MT had devised a list of local personalities to include in a 'notable names' board for display at the Yarborough Hotel. Copies were distributed to the Committee for consideration of who should be included. PM had provided the frame.</p>  | All    |
| Planning            | <p>There was nothing to report.</p>   |        |
| Correspondence      | <p>MT had received a letter from John Moony at VANEL inviting the Society to join a community planning group. AN was happy to meet with Mr Moony to discuss this in more detail.</p>  | AN     |

| <b>Any Other Business</b>                   |   |    |
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| Publicity                                   | AN suggested that Society events be publicised on the VANEL weekly bulletin.  | AN |
| Recognition awards                          | <p>AN suggested that consideration should be given to awarding a Society restoration award to the Cleethorpes station clock tower. This was agreed, pending completion of the work.</p> <p>Other suggestions included Lindsey Hall care home and Toothill roundabout (for an environmental award).</p> <p>It was suggested that, as previously, Society members be asked to vote or alternatively, Committee members could short list the nominations. A decision could be made on this at a later date and there would be a full discussion on this subject at a future meeting.</p> |    |
| <i>Grimsby Telegraph</i>                    | SM suggested that the Society should support the <i>IAMGrimsby</i> campaign. MT agreed to write to the <i>Telegraph</i> .   | MT |
| Litter pick                                 | AT noted that a litter pick had been arranged for 4 March 2017 in conjunction with the Rotary Club. Volunteers would meet at the Fishing Heritage Centre.   |    |
| Talk  | MT would be giving a talk on the Society to the Inner Wheel.  | MT |
| NELC cultural strategy                      | AT and MT had attended a meeting with the consultants engaged by the Council to develop a cultural strategy. MT and AT had suggested that the area needed a museum and art gallery.   |    |
| Football club                               | MT reported that NE Lincs Council were due to take a decision on the proposed site of the new football stadium, though it appeared this was a foregone conclusion.  |    |
| Society documentation                       | MT had been in contact with Steve Hipkins at the Archives at Grimsby Central library with a view to transferring Society minutes and other paperwork for storage.   | MT |
| Foundation stones book                      | MT was pleased to report that the book was now completed and ready for publication. It was agreed that the 30 copies be printed by the Copy Centre at a cost of £600.   |    |
| <b>Date of Next Meeting - 30 March 2017</b> |   |    |

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### Minutes of an Executive Committee Meeting held at Bridge Club, Bargate, Grimsby on 30 March 2017

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| <b>Present</b>                               |  |   |
| Martyn Turner (Chair)                        | Alan Nicolson  | Peter Milsom  |
| Ann Turner (Programme)                       | Sue Milsom   |   |
| Caroline Cook (Minutes)                      |  |   |
| <b>Apologies</b> Teresa Bassett, Alan Holmes |  |   |
| <b>Item</b>                                  | <b>Communication</b>   | <b>Actioned</b>   |
| Previous Minutes                             | Minutes of the meeting of 23 February 2017 were read & agreed.   |   |
| Matters Arising                              | <p>Grimsby Town <i>Welcome</i> sign - The sign had still not been installed. AN would make further contact.</p> <p>Civic Voice/YHACS - Civic Voice (£180) and YHACS (£50) had now been paid. MT would forward details and photos regarding Deansgate Bridge for inclusion in the next issue.</p> <p>Tree/shrub planting - AT reported that the Council staff member dealing with this had been made redundant since the last meeting. Once it was clear who was taking over his duties then the planting could be progressed further.</p> <p>Cleethorpes Pier - The Pier remained closed.</p> <p><i>The Esther</i> and <i>Ross Tiger</i> - MT had yet to receive a reply from Neil Turner.</p> <p>Wilkinson's - MT had still not received a reply to previous correspondence.</p> <p>Hull trip - AT reported that the 29 seater coach was now full. TB would finalise the arrangements for the talk/road train trip.</p> <p>Blue plaques - MT was in the process of ordering the plaque for Brenda Fisher and it was hoped it would arrive before the end of the current Mayor's tenure. He confirmed the price of the plaque was £175. As agreed it would be installed at Grimsby Swimming Pool.</p> <p>New website - the subcommittee had still not met but it was agreed that Mariner would be used and that AN, SM and GB would meet in due course.</p> <p>Notable Names Board - PM showed committee members the board which had space to display approximately 20 names. These could be changed periodically. SM suggested a link on the new website once it was completed.</p> <p>Meeting with John Moony -the meeting was still pending.</p> <p>I Am Grimsby - It was agreed this campaign was for individuals rather than societies. SM suggested the Civic Society meet with Michelle Hurst at the <i>Telegraph</i>. AN would make contact.</p> | <p>AN</p> <p>MT</p> <p>AT</p> <p>TB</p> <p>MT</p> <p>AN</p> <p>PM</p> <p>AN</p> |

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|                    | <p>Litter Pick - MT suggested students from Franklin College take part in future litter picks. Arrangements to be made via his contact Gary Thomas.</p> <p>It was also suggested that a litter pick could be organised in the Cleethorpes Boating Lake area. SM suggested the Society could in future get more involved with community events.</p> <p>NELC Cultural Strategy - there was nothing further to report on this but MT reported that committee members had also been invited to attend a meeting with the Culture Works organisation.</p> <p>Football Club - MT had attended a Scrutiny Committee meeting. However the Council had given the developers an option to buy the proposed site for the new community stadium at Peaks Parkway and appeared to be set on this location.</p> <p>Society Papers - This matter had been investigated further and it would appear society archived papers had to be sent to Civic Voice. MT would contact Kevin Trickett for further information.</p> <p>Foundation Stones book - these had now been produced and copies would be distributed to the four local libraries and to other interested parties.</p> | MT    |
| AGM                | <p>The draft amendments made by MT to the Constitution were agreed by the Committee and updated copies would be available for Society members to inspect at the meeting.</p> <p>Related to this it was also agreed that the Secretary's role would be deleted.</p> <p>It was noted that SB had resigned from the Executive Committee for the 2017/2018 season though would continue as membership secretary.</p> <p>It was confirmed that the AGM date was Thursday 11 May 2017.</p>   |       |
| Treasurer's Report | <p>In the absence of the Treasurer owing to ill health, MT reported that the Society currently had £5,193 in the bank.</p> <p>MT would organise the accounts for the AGM if AH was unable to do so.</p>  | MT    |
| Events Programme   | <p>AT would forward the outline 2017/2018 programme to SM for publicity purposes. An outline programme leaflet would be produced to distribute to members at the 2017 AGM.</p> <p>With regard to the 2018 AGM it was agreed that some form of light entertainment be arranged rather than a talk by TransPennine trains, who could provide a possible speaker for the 2018/2019 programme.</p>   | AT/SM |
| Membership         | <p>TB had forwarded a report and it was noted there had been 55 cash payers and 60 who paid by standing order. A total of 41 subscriptions had been received so far. It was also noted that a few £5 and some £10 subscriptions had been received. It was agreed that the £5 subscription payers could no longer be regarded as members.</p>   |       |
| Planning           | <p>There was nothing to report.</p>  |       |
| Correspondence     | <p>There was no correspondence.</p>  |       |



| <b>Any Other Business</b>  |   |  |
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| Recognition awards   | <p>There was a further discussion on possible nominations.</p> <p>Recent developments with the Victoria Mills flats were also discussed.</p> <p>AT reported that NE Lincs Council had compulsorily purchased land in the area of Lambert Road/Ainslie Street for redevelopment.</p> |  |
| <b>Date of Next Meeting - 20 April 2017 - at 12 Welholme Road, Grimsby</b> |   |  |

## Grimsby, Cleethorpes and District Civic Society

### Minutes of an Executive Committee Meeting held at 12 Welholme Road , Grimsby on 20 April 2017

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| <b>Present</b>                           |   |   |
| Martyn Turner (Chair)                    | Alan Nicolson   | Peter Milsom  |
| Sue Milsom                               | Caroline Cook (Minutes)   |   |
| <b>Apologies</b> Ann Turner, Alan Holmes |   |   |
| <b>Item</b>                              | <b>Communication</b>  | <b>Actioned</b>   |
| Previous Minutes                         | Minutes of the meeting of 30 March 2017 were read & agreed.   |   |
| Matters Arising                          | <p>Grimsby Town <i>Welcome</i> sign - Installation and photo opportunity to be arranged for the beginning of May. Press to be invited by MT.</p> <p>Tree/shrub planting - No further developments since the previous meeting.</p> <p>Cleethorpes Pier - The Pier remained closed.</p> <p><i>The Esther</i> and <i>Ross Tiger</i> - No further developments.</p> <p>Wilkinson's - Still pending.</p> <p>Hull trip - The bus was full plus waiting list and the trip was expected to be profitable. TB would finalise the arrangements for the road train trip.</p> <p>Blue plaques - MT confirmed the price of the plaque was £292 and it would be installed inside the Grimsby swimming pool with photo opportunity.</p> <p>Website - AN, SM and GB would meet in due course. The domain name had to be agreed. Further details were discussed and would have to be finalised, including links, photos, contents of the 'members only' area etc.</p> <p>Notable Names Board - the board designed by PM was completed and it was agreed the printing would be done at the Grimsby Copy Centre.</p> <p>NELC Cultural Strategy - there was nothing further to report. However MT reported on the meeting regarding the town centre development including the location of the new cinema, parking facilities, etc.</p> <p>Society documents - SM suggested the Committee buy a filing cabinet and install it at the Bridge Club or some other suitable location. It was agreed this was a good idea even if it meant 'renting' the space.</p> <p>Foundation Stones book - Four copies had been sold including three to local libraries. The book would be launched officially at the AGM.</p> | <p>AN, MT</p> <p>TB</p> <p>MT</p> <p>AN, SM</p> <p>PM</p> <p>MT</p> |
| AGM                                      | <p>It was confirmed the AGM date was Thursday 18 May 2017.</p> <p>All information had been distributed to members and SM would provide programme publicity for display at the meeting.</p>  |   |

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|  | <p>TB pointed out that she had not actually resigned from the Committee but was not standing again for another year and had therefore retired.</p> <p>She also wished to give up organisation of refreshments and raffle after the AGM. The Committee agreed to take this over.</p> <p>SM suggested Committee members wear name badges at the meeting.</p> <p>Further Committee members were being sought.</p> <p>MT would present a copy of the Foundation Stone book to Graham Taylor in recognition of his assistance.</p>   | MT    |
| Treasurer's Report   | <p>In the continued absence of the Treasurer owing to ill health, MT reported that the Society currently had £6,553 in the bank as of 31 March 2017. Some expenditure was due to be paid from this including payment for the plaque.</p> <p>MT would contact the accountant regarding the Gift Aid return.</p>  | MT    |
| Events Programme   | <p>AT had received a letter from NE Lincs Council about the Bremerhaven room which had been redecorated and allocated for use as a wedding venue. Various paintings had been removed from the walls by the decorators but the Council would arrange for them to be properly stored in the museum store. Society meetings would therefore be held in the Crosland suite in the future, though this room was also set aside for Council business. The situation would have to be clarified. It was confirmed that the cost of room hire was currently £20 per meeting.</p> <p>AN had arranged for the Brothers Hogg to provide entertainment at the 2018 AGM on 12 May 2018.</p> <p>SM would meet with AT in the next few days to complete programme and publicity information.</p> | SM/AT |
| Membership   | <p>TB would continue in the role of Membership Secretary. It was confirmed that 51 society members had paid by standing order. Some had paid £15 but some had only paid £10.</p> <p>One corporate member had paid, Forrester Boyd accountants.</p>  |       |
| Planning   | In the absence of AH, the planning group had been suspended for the time being.   |       |
| Correspondence   | There was no correspondence.  |       |
| <b>Any Other Business</b>                                      |   |       |
| Litter   | PM commented on the amount of litter in the area around the Cleethorpes light railway and other areas of Cleethorpes.   |       |
| <b>Date of Next Meeting - 8 June 2017 - at the Bridge Club</b> |   |       |

## Annual General Meeting

Crossland Suite, Grimsby Town Hall, 7.30p, Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017

President: Paul Genney

Chair: Martyn Turner

Executive: Alan Nicholson, Anne Turner, Sue Milsom, Pete Milsom, Teresa Bassett

Notes: Graeme Bassett

Apologies: Lord Cormack, Alan Holmes, Caroline Cook

1: Foundation Stones Book: Martyn Turner introduced the new Civic Society publication on Foundation Stones. Some years ago Dr Rod Ambler had suggested that the areas foundation stones should be documented before they disappeared. After several years work, the Civic Society had published this book containing colour photos and information on the Foundation Stones. The book would be presented to the library service and copies were also available at a cost of £20. Copies had been presented to Dr Ambler and Dr Alan Dowling. At the meeting, Martyn also presented a copy to Graham Taylor who had taken many of the photos in the book.

2: Chairman's Report: Martyn Turner delivered the Chairman's Report (see appendix)

3: Notable People Project: Following on from the chairman's report, Pete Milsom gave a brief overview of the Notable People Project. Wetherspoons had agreed to display a frame commemorating notable local-born people in their Cleethorpes and Grimsby pubs.

4: Treasurer's Report: Martyn Turner advised that due to illness the Treasurer Alan Holmes could not attend and sadly would not continue as Treasurer. Martyn had been acting as interim Treasurer had delivered the accounts to the auditors. They had reported that there were no problems.

Therefore Martyn would publish full accounts after the meeting. A brief summary was given:

Subscriptions £1,500,

other receipts £16.58,

Outgoings £2,500.

5: Election of President: Paul Genney was nominated by David Hopkinson and seconded by Teresa Bassett. Agreed.

6: Election of chair: Martyn Turner retired and proposed Alan Nicholson. Accepted.

7: Election of Executive Committee:

Vice chair stood vacant. Treasurer: Martyn Turner nominated by Graeme Bassett, seconded by Jennifer Redpath. Programme Secretary - Anne Turner, Executive – Pete Milsom, Sue Milsom all nominated and elected. Teresa Bassett retired from the Executive Committee although she would continue as Membership Secretary.

8: Planning Committee: Martyn Turner invited members to join the planning committee – you do not need to be a member of the executive to join.

9: Changes to Constitution:

Martyn Turner advised that Caroline Cook would continue as note-taker but the post of Hon Secretary remained unfilled.

9.1 Paragraph 6 – Delete the office of Honorary Secretary from the list of officers

9.2 Paragraphs 6, 7 & 12 – replace the words "Honorary Secretary" with the word "Chairman"

9.3 Paragraph 4 – delete quantification of subscription amount

9.4 paragraph 7 – replace the words "equally in the" with the words "tie in the number of"

9.5 Paragraph 7 – delete specified number of Executive Committee members and replace with "as deemed necessary upon the occasion of the AGM."

All Agreed.

10: Programme Secretary: Ann Turner explained that it had not been possible to print the programme until officers had been elected. Programmes for the year would be sent out now. The outing to Hull on June 10 was now fully booked. Pickups would be 9am at Millman's (where cars could be left) and 9.30 am outside Grimsby Town Hall. Optional seats had been booked on the Road Train in Hull (£2.30 payable on the day) for 11am. A member of Hull Civic Society would talk to us at Noon (this was again optional ). Lunch is individual choice. The bus would depart from Hull at 4pm.

11: Crossland Suite: Ann Turner explained that the Bremerhaven Room had been redecorated as a venue for weddings and functions. The Crossland Suite would be our normal site in future, but as Council Committee meetings had first refusal on the Suite, we had been promised the use of the Bremerhaven Room on those occasions. Martyn Turner added that the valuable paintings which had hung in the Bremerhaven Room were now in the museum store.

12: Welcome to Grimsby Sign: Chairman Alan Nicholson thanked members for trusting him with the Chairmanship. He proposed thanks to Martyn Turner for four years' stewardship. Alan advised members that as the old "Welcome to Grimsby" sign on the approach to Grimsby Town station had become weatherbeaten and beyond repair, the civic Society had liaised with Transpennine Express and commissioned a new sign. This was now installed on Platform One at Grimsby Town Station.

The formal business ended at 8pm with a tea break followed by entertainment from Merlin's Keep.

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### Minutes of an Executive Committee Meeting held at 12 Welholme Road, Grimsby on 8 June 2017

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| <b>Present</b>     | Alan Nicholson (Chair)  | Martyn Turner (Treasurer) | Peter Milsom            | Sue Milsom                              |
|                    | Anne Turner   | Theresa Bassett           | Caroline Cook (Minutes) |   |
| <b>Apologies</b>   | Jill Smith  |                           |                         |   |
| <b>Item</b>        | <b>Communication</b>  |                           |                         | <b>Actioned</b>                         |
| Previous Minutes   | Minutes of the meeting of 20 April 2017 were read & agreed.   |                           |                         |   |
| Matters Arising    | <p>Tree/shrub planting - AT reported that since the recent redundancies and reorganisation, no one within NE Lincs council had overall responsibility for parks and gardens, etc. The tree/shrub planting was therefore deferred for the present.</p> <p><i>The Esther and Ross Tiger</i> - MT had met with Neil Turner who was researching the history of the vessels in relation to their relevance to social history. It was hoped that matters would be progressed satisfactorily.</p> <p>Wilkinson's - Pending.</p> <p>Hull trip - The bus was full and the trip was expected to make a profit.</p> <p>Blue plaques - MT confirmed the final price of the plaque was £351.30. However the installation had been delayed owing to the election and related political issues. MT would contact Jane Hyldon King to finalise installation now the election was over.</p> <p>Website - the creation of the new website was progressing satisfactorily</p> <p>Notable Names Board - Progressing satisfactorily.</p> <p>Top town/Riverhead redevelopment - AN reported that NE Lincs Council had asked to use a Society meeting to present the redevelopment plans to the public. This would require an additional meeting to the programme. There was a general discussion on whether it would be appropriate but was agreed that it would be acceptable for the Society to invite the Council to present their plans. An additional meeting would be arranged as soon as possible.</p> <p>Filing cabinet - SM would contact Paul Genney.</p> <p>Foundation Stones book - MT had sent publicity information to the <i>Grimsby Telegraph</i> and <i>Cleethorpes Chronicle</i>.</p> |                           |                         | <p>MT</p> <p>PM</p> <p>AN</p> <p>SM</p> |
| Treasurer's Report | MT reported the Society had £6,858 in the bank at the end of April and the current balance was £6,278.  |                           |                         |   |
| Events Programme   | <p>It was confirmed that meetings would be held in the Crosland suite and that if the room was not available then an alternative room at the Town Hall would be offered.</p> <p>The 2018 AGM would be held on 10 May 2018.</p>  |                           |                         | AN                                      |

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|   | <p>AN reported that a representative of TransPennine Express would speak at a meeting during the 2017/18 season possibly either in April or June 2018. This would be finalised in due course.</p> <p>SM reported that the next three meetings would be advertised in the Inspire booklet.</p>  |       |
| Membership  | <p>Corporate members were currently Cyden Homes, Forrester Boyd and Paul Genney. Sentiments had not paid and were therefore no longer corporate members.</p> <p>TB reported that 24 people had paid in full, 16 had not paid, and 9 people had paid twice. This confusion had arisen since the subscription had been increased. To try to resolve matters, it was agreed that reminder letters would be posted out together with the new programme. AT agreed to price labels.</p> | TB/AT |
| Planning  | Nothing to report.   |       |
| Correspondence  | <p>TB had received an email from someone from Ripon who had a large amount of photos of old Grimsby, which he wished to donate to the Society.</p> <p>MT reported that Neil Turner of Champ (Community, Heritage, Arts and Media Project) wished to display Society booklets at Barton.</p>  |       |
| <b>Any Other Business</b>                                       |  |       |
| Litter  | <p>It was agreed SM be added as an authorised cheque signatory.</p> <p>Corporation Bridge would be closed for five weeks and AN suggested it would be interesting to take the opportunity to look round. He would contact Engie to try to arrange this.</p>  | AN    |
| <b>Date of Next Meeting - 20 July 2017 - at the Bridge Club</b> |  |       |





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| Events Programme   | <p>AT asked if Committee members had any ideas for the 2018/19 season as she would be putting the programme together from September 2017.</p> <p>MT suggested the Chief Executive of NE Lincs Council or a representative of Engie.</p> <p>Committee members agreed to give this some thought before the next meeting.</p>   | <p>AT</p> <p>All</p> |
| Membership   | <p>There continued to be some confusion regarding membership following the subscription increase earlier in the year. At the previous meeting TB had agreed to send reminder letters by post together with the copies of the 2017/18 programme. AN would check with TB if this had been done and what the outcome was.</p> <p>With regard to Gift Aid, MT reported that Mr Wilson of Wilson Sharpe accountants was prepared to deal with the Gift Aid return for 2016/17, which was now due to be processed.</p> | AN                   |
| Planning   | <p>There was nothing to report other than the recent proposal to build a pleasure dome for entertainment at Cleethorpes near to the Meridian Point.</p>  |                      |
| Website  | <p>AN had been in contact with Mariner Computers regarding progress. Committee members agreed to forward newsletters, reports, photographs, etc to add to the site. SM suggested the website subcommittee meet before the next Committee meeting.</p>  | All                  |
| <b>Any Other Business</b>  |  |                      |
| Corporate Bridge   | <p>In response to a question from AT, AN confirmed the bridge had now re-opened.</p>   |                      |
| Victoria Mills   | <p>Following a discussion it was suggested that the machinery from the Ice Factory could be transferred to Victoria Mills. AN agreed to draft a letter to NE Lincs Council regarding what plans, if any, they had for the Victoria Mills.</p>  | AN                   |
| Meetings   | <p>It was agreed that Committee meeting updates be given at Society meetings to keep members informed.</p>   |                      |
| <b>Date of Next Meeting - 28 September 2017 - at the Bridge Club</b> |  |                      |

## Grimsby, Cleethorpes and District Civic Society

### Minutes of an Executive Committee Meeting held at the Bridge Club, Grimsby on 28 September 2017

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| <b>Present</b>     | Alan Nicholson (Chair)<br>Anne Turner   | Martyn Turner (Treasurer)<br>Caroline Cook (Minutes) | Peter Milsom<br>Sue Milsom |
| <b>Apologies</b>   | Jill Smith  |  |                            |
| <b>Item</b>        | <b>Communication</b>  |  | <b>Actioned</b>            |
| Website            | <p>The meeting was attended by Trevor and Joseph Ellis of Mariner Computer Services, who updated the Committee on progress with the website. It was provisionally agreed that SM, JS and GB be trained to update and edit the site. Issues regarding Facebook feeds and email addresses were clarified. The final one-off cost for the setting up of the site would be £600 plus VAT (this included a community organisation discount) plus an annual maintenance charge of £120 plus VAT with possibly an additional £10 per year to maintain the old website. This latter would have to be clarified.</p> <p>MT would investigate whether, as a registered charity, the Society could obtain VAT relief.</p>  |  | MT                         |
| Previous Minutes   | Minutes of the meeting of 20 July 2017 were read & agreed.  |  |                            |
| Matters Arising    | <p>Notable Names Board - PM reported that the Cleethorpes board was progressing. The Grimsby board was in place but had slipped within the frame and therefore required adjusting.</p> <p>Top town/Riverhead redevelopment - there was a discussion regarding the proposed development. No speaker from the Council was forthcoming for a future meeting. SM suggested inviting a speaker from the <i>Grimsby Telegraph</i>.</p> <p>Society filing cabinet - Ongoing.</p> <p>Following on from this, it was agreed the Society printer/scanner, which was no longer used, should be sold. AN asked if PAT testing was due but MT confirmed that all electrical equipment had been tested in 2016 and would be valid for two years. (See June 2016 minutes.)</p> |  | PM<br><br>SM               |
| Treasurer's Report | <p>MT confirmed that he was receiving bank statements and that SM was now a cheque signatory.</p> <p>He had created a spreadsheet to present income and expenditure data to the Committee during the year.</p> <p>The bank balance was £5,253.35. The September meeting had been very successful and had £171 including visitor entry fees, raffle and refreshments. MT paid tribute to the two members who were 'on the door' that evening.</p>  |  |                            |
| Events Programme   | AT was preparing the 2018/19 programme. AN would contact David Hatfield of TransPennine trains regarding a possible talk. It was agreed that other possible speakers could include someone from Dong Energy or similar, someone from Lincolnshire Heritage and the Chief Executive of NE Lincs Council. Roger Beard would be approached to provide entertainment for the AGM in May 2018.   |  | AN                         |

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|   | The Christmas meal at the Wheatsheaf had been arranged for 2 December 2017 and would be publicised at the next Society meeting.   |    |
| Membership  | <p>There was still some confusion as to who had paid what, etc. MT would ask TB for a finalised list of current members.</p> <p>It was clarified that fully paid up corporate members were Paul Genney, Forrester Boyd's and Cyden Homes. Sentiments were no longer corporate members. SM was researching possibilities to target as future corporate members.</p> <p>It was agreed that a new simplified membership form be produced that could also be used for publicity purposes.</p>                   | MT |
| Planning  | There was nothing to report at present.   |    |
| Brenda Fisher<br>Plaque   | <p>The plaque had still not been put up and NE Lincs Council had now suggested the Fishing Heritage Centre. After a discussion on this point it was agreed that MT would write to Rob Walsh, NE Lincs Council Chief Executive, and inform him that the Society would be guided by the Council as to where the plaque should be located.</p> <p>SM suggested that if no agreement could be reached then AN could approach David Hatfield at TransPennine to ask if it could be displayed at the Station.</p> | MT |
| <b>Any Other Business</b>   |   |    |
| YHACS   | The next meeting was at Bradford on 30 September 2017.  |    |
| PA system<br>/microphone  | It was agreed that MT would purchase a portable PA system including clip on microphone for use by speakers.   | MT |
| Grimsby Heritage<br>Trail leaflets  | <p>AN agreed to take a supply of the leaflets to the Baysgarth museum.</p> <p>It was agreed the Grimsby leaflet be amended and reprinted.</p>   | AN |
| Lincs Inspire<br>Cultural Quarter   | It was agreed that, in addition to general publicity of meetings, SM would take out a quarter page advert in the Cultural Quarter publication.  | SM |
| <b>Date of Next Meetings - 2 November 2017</b><br>7 December 2017 - both at Grimsby Bridge Club |   |    |

**Minutes from Grimsby Cleethorpes and District Civic Society Executive Committee**

**Held at Grimsby Bridge Club**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 7pm**

**Present: Alan Nicholson, Anne Turner, Martyn Turner, Jill Smith, Sue Milsom, Peter Milsom**

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| 1. | <b>Apologies:</b> Caroline  |  |
| 2. | <b>Minutes of last meeting: Accuracy</b> All correct  |  |
| 3. | <b>Matter Arising:</b><br>Martyn to investigate whether as we are a registered charity we are able to obtain VAT relief<br>Notable names board – we have been given permission to take down and adjust accordingly<br>The PAT test on the printer and scanner is due May 2018<br>The new PA system for meetings has been ordered, with a carrying case and should be delivered any time<br>Grimsby Heritage Trail leaflets – discussed the high cost of reprinting the brochures. Martyn had a copy of the Barton heritage trail brochure which was in a cheaper fold out version. Discussed people would possibly like to follow the trail on an app on their smartphones as they walk. Also would like the route putting on our website. MT to look into costs<br>Lincs Inspire Cultural Quarter booklet and website – Sue is looking into having a link to the Civic Society being put on it |  |
| 4  | <b>Engie report on Cleethorpes Regeneration</b> Due to a mix up with dates by Engie, representative did not attend  |  |
| 5  | <b>Treasurers Report</b> MT reported we had a balance of £5318.66 in the Bank as of last month. Insurance payment has since been made<br>Discuss cost of hot drinks at meeting and agreed we will need to raise the price to £1.20 per cup. Also whether to put up the price for non members attending meetings to £3 per person. We need to factor in costs of room hire rising, although we do get a discount on the price as we are a registered charity. We are making a good profit on the raffle each week. Plan to keep a close eye on costs in the near future  |  |
| 6  | <b>Membership Secretary</b> MT now has a full list of members from Theresa. We do not appear to have a list of everyones email addresses, and it may be good idea to ask members to update at meetings as some peoples details have changed<br>We possibly have 2 new members<br>We also do not appear to have an electronic list of members, MT to   |  |

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|    | <p>Speak to Theresa about this</p>  |  |
| 7  | <p><b>Programme Secretary</b> AT has had to change some of the dates for meeting for 2019. Date for AGM to be moved forward to 23 May</p> <p>MT to follow up possible speaker from Dong Energy and Keep Britain Tidy (based in Lincoln). Otherwise all speakers in place for foreseeable future. Outing for 2018 planned but would welcome ideas for 2019</p> <p>Discussed cover on our insurance policy regarding members being covered for injury whilst attending meetings and damage to Town Hall property. Agreed we were fully covered</p>                              |  |
| 8  | <p><b>Planning report</b> Conservation area on the Docks. Council now able to apply for funding to restore buildings in this area of the docks. Consultation with ABP and the Council is still ongoing. MT suggested letter of congratulations to Emily Wales who has worked very hard on this project</p> <p>Plan to speak to Martyn Boyers when he is speaker regarding up to date position and whether we could possibly arrange for visit to the area from the Committee</p> <p>Plan to publish piece on the website and possibly contact Telegraph regarding article</p> |  |
| 9  | <p><b>Funding Event</b> Alan has been looking into ways we can possibly attain funding for future events</p>  |  |
| 10 | <p><b>Governance</b> This will become Law in 2018. Sue has produced a draft copy of the Code of Governance which we need to show how the Charity is to proceed in the future</p> <p>Asked the committee to read through their copies and report back if anything needs amending</p>   |  |
| 11 | <p><b>Web Site</b> New website is now up and running. Sue and Jill had some training this week with regard to uploading documents/event and pictures.</p> <p>Sue would like to add list of notable names onto the site.</p> <p>The gallery of pictures on the site needs reorganising into categories, eg special interest, buildings, Civic Society events etc</p> <p>Suggested we could possibly ask members to submit their own photos to use in the gallery and also ask local businesses to sponsor the page</p>   |  |
| 12 | <p><b>Price of refreshments at meetings</b> covered under section 5 Treasurers report</p>   |  |
| 13 | <p><b>Brenda Fisher Plaque</b> The council would like the plaque sitting in the Fishing Heritage Centre, and this is being arranged by David Ornsby. We will need to liaise with Brenda when she is able to attend for the unveiling. MT to arrange press release. Hope it will be by the end of the year.</p>  |  |

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| 14 | <p><b>Correspondence</b> Alan has received letter complaining about the Papas sign on the pier. He will reply that all planning permissions were observed.</p> <p>Also received letter asking for information about railway hotels in the area for a research project. Will reply and point towards local archives and to get in touch with Jenny Cartwright at the library</p> <p>MT has received an invite from Louth Civic Trust to their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary function. Pete will attend</p> <p>MT received letter with concerns about the state of the Cenotaph but not giving any further details. Jill had noticed when passing it does have a lot of algae on the marble. Possible cause of this may be that it was jet washed with a bleach solution in the past which can cause the surface to attract excess mould</p> |  |
| 15 | <p><b>Any Other Business</b> Numbers for the Xmas meal currently stand at 16. AT to check with the Wheatsheaf regarding min numbers. Suggested opening up to other history societies/clubs in the area to see if they have anyone interested.</p> <p>Sue mentioned that the map of “where we are” on our website points to Alans house. May be better to have the location as Grimsby Town Hall</p>  |  |
| 16 | <p><b>Date and time of next meeting</b> Thursday December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm</p>  |  |

December’s meeting in fact deferred to January 4<sup>th</sup> 2018