



**Hunstanton Advisory Group
Notes of Meeting
Thursday, 10th August 2023, 18:00 hrs
Hunstanton Town Hall**

Members:

Charles le Strange Meakin (CLSM) (Chair), Cllr Angie Dickinson, Paul Searle (PS), Colleen Roper (CR), Mark Kacary (MK), Cllr Mike Ruston (Hunstanton Mayor), (MR), , Cllr Andrew Jamieson (AJ)

Officer and additional support:

Cllr Simon Ring (SR), Jane Rimmer (Cruso & Wilkin) (JR) note-taker

Apologies:

Cllr Paul Beal (PB) James Wild (JW) MP, Joel Large (JL), Derrick Lloyd (DL), Amanda Bosworth (AB), Joe Bates (JB), Cllr Mark Williamson (MW), Chris Starkie (NCC), Jason Richardson (BC)

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		ACTION
1	<p>Welcome, apologies and membership changes</p> <p>Apologies as above.</p> <p>CLSM suggested that a brief report be circulated by those who cannot attend the meeting if they have been tasked with an 'action'.</p>	CLSM
2	<p>Declaration of interest (standing item)</p> <p>CLSM declared his interest in the Recreation Ground, Pitch & Putt & Cliff Top Carpark as a Trustee of the le Strange Estate who are the landlord.</p> <p>CLSM declared interest for JR who is a Parish Councillor for Old Hunstanton.</p>	
3	Notes of previous meeting – agreed	
4a	Establishment of Lido	CLSM

	Still pushing forward. Draft consultation in circulation. Any help from AJ would be much appreciated.	
4b	<p>Signage</p> <p>Update from Catherine Thurley, NCC</p> <p>As of 04/08/2023, we have had 61 responses to the public survey for the Hunstanton Signage project. Please could everyone continue to push this on social media and with the posters provided before the closing date on 18/08. Myself and my colleague Grace went out on 03/08 and have now audited most of the signage in the project area. We are due to go out once more to complete this task. Once the public survey has finished, all of the data from the survey, workshop, audit and information gathered will be collated and analysed and a thorough report with observations and recommendations will be provided.</p>	
4c	<p>Regular monthly Sunday market (during Summer Months)</p> <p>It was agreed it would be sensible to commence the application process. In this way perhaps events could be started in 2024. MK and JR to work together to progress this. AJ to talk to his team about progressing the application.</p> <p>AD suggested that in the meantime Sunday markets could be held in the Spinney.</p>	AJ
4d	<p>Reinstated of Skate Park/ Jump track in Hunstanton</p> <p>Questionnaire ready to be circulated. Questions include scale and preference.</p> <p>Once data has been collected Borough will assist with the CIL claim submission.</p> <p>CR mentioned that the Skate Park at Wells was a central part of their Carnival.</p>	
4e	<p>Recreation Ground (CLSM declared interest)</p> <p>CLSM stated that a revised strategy should be available from the BC shortly.</p> <p>HTC have formed a group focussed on producing ideas to improve the site – this is led by Cllr Mark Williamson. CLSM suggested that those ideas be shared with Borough so that they might form part of Borough proposals.</p>	CLSM
4f	Beach Wheelchairs	

	Waiting on update from JL.	JL
5	<p>Car Parking review</p> <p>Waiting on report from PB.</p> <p>It would be interesting to know the revenue received from car parking after 6pm.</p> <p>Car parking is on the BCs agenda.</p> <p>There are different tariffs covering car parks in Hunstanton and the wording on these machines about tariffs is not very clear. It was suggested that a meeting at the machines to decide on working which would appear online as well.</p> <p><i>Other observations voiced</i></p> <p>Is the Cliff Top Car park utilised properly? ANPR system?</p> <p>Camper van site facilities in the Cliff Top Car park and/or coaches? No overnight parking.</p> <p>Hunstanton is short on parking for coaches and camper vans.</p> <p>Coach parking in the Cliff Top Car park is not convenient for Hunstanton facilities e.g. school trips.</p> <p>There is a lack of enforcement for illegal parking.</p>	<p>PB</p> <p>CR & MR to make written summary of issue for David Morton</p> <p>PB to ensure including in Borough deliberations if not already so</p>
6	<p>Pop up shops</p> <p>DL to report as next meeting.</p>	DL
7	<p>Training hub</p> <p>PS reported on past successes that he has had with training apprenticeships. The College of West Anglia sent tutors to Smithdon School.</p> <p>Smithdon School has an under used asset – 6th form buildings.</p> <p>Apprenticeships in Health Care, Nature, service industry. The area is crying out local people with these skills rather than having to employ people from out of the area.</p>	All – next meeting to discuss how this could be progressed

	<p>PS has 4 people starting apprenticeships in September 2023.</p> <p>Local businesses would have to co-operate.</p>	
8	<p>Transport – open discussion</p> <p>High levels of traffic coming into Hunstanton and further on around the coast as usual for this time of year.</p> <p>AJ reported that the bus station site is to be re-instated (November 2025). The land having been leased from BC by NCC.</p> <p>More Lynx buses, more routes and running later.</p> <p>Strong focus on cycling and walking with an Active Trail Hub being proposed. Part of which would be along the edge of the Pitch & Putt.</p> <p>This would all link in with the Platinum Jubilee Route already operating.</p> <p>Generally considered that more road crossings / traffic calming & speed reduction needed.</p> <p>AD had been approached about drop kerbs for disabled users.</p> <p>SR brought to the group's attention the development site on Grimston Road would be starting which would cause delays from Knights Hill and obviously snowball through to the coast.</p>	
9	<p>Water quality – open discussion</p> <p>The sea water quality is mandated by the EA and is an EA issue.</p> <p>EA work with the water companies.</p> <p>Scare stories in the EDP about water quality do not help. HAG to consider an article to help people better understand what the water quality signs actually mean.</p> <p>The group understands that the water quality is only tested 20 times per year and water quality is modelled on predictions.</p>	<p>CLSM to discuss with Chris Bishop & David Morton</p>
	<p>Standing Items:</p> <p>n/a</p>	

<p>11</p>	<p>Any other business</p> <p>MK reported that he had been approached by a holiday maker about the lack of food waste bins available at holiday homes and the need to understand what can be recycled. SR will speak to Barry ‘the bins’ ?? who is very knowable.</p> <p>We are keen to promote further new ideas. Agreed that subgroups should continue to progress the ongoing projects above. At the next meeting we will focus on new ideas. Matters will at least include Education – Training, Transportation and Water Quality. These are issues facing the future of the Town.</p> <p>Re-circulate the HAG objectives</p> <p>Press – MR and CLSM to arrange interview with Chris Bishop to discuss the activities of the HAG and launch questionnaire on signate and skate park.</p>	<p>DL</p> <p>SR</p> <p>All HAG</p> <p>CLSM</p> <p>CLSM</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>Thursday, 14th September 2023, 6pm at Hunstanton Town Council</p>	

Close: 7.40pm