

# Hunstanton Advisory Group Notes of Meeting Thursday, 16th November 2023, 18:00 hrs Hunstanton Town Hall

## Present:

Charles le Strange Meakin (Chair) (CLSM), Cllr Michael Ruston (MR), Paul Searle (PS), Cllr Paul Beal (PB), Derrick Lloyd (DL), Mark Kacary (MK)

## Officer and additional support:

Jason Richardson

#### **Apologies:**

James Wild (JW) MP, Joe Bates (JB), Colleen Roper (CR), Cllr Angie Dickinson (AD), Cllr Andrew Jamieson (AJ), Cllr Mark Williamson (MW), Joel Large (JL) (Vice Chair), Amanda Bosworth (AB)

## **Notes of Meeting**

		ACTION
1	Welcome, apologies and membership changes	
	Apologies as above.	
	CLSM reminded members that a brief report be circulated by those who cannot attend the meeting if they have been tasked with an 'action'.	
2	Declaration of interest (standing item)	
	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.	
3	Notes of previous meeting (12 October 2023)	
	Notes of previous meeting having been circulated and no comments having been received, the notes of the previous meeting were deemed approved.	
4	Discussion of the Wash barrier presentation	
	A number of those present attended the presentation. It was felt that whilst the forum offered the opportunity to raise the many concerns,	

	none of the speakers were in a position to answer queries meaningfully. CLSM confirmed that he had submitted a number of queries on behalf of the HAG (attached) via HTC and believed that the project sponsors had agreed to respond to these in writing.	
	Whilst many objections had been raised by residents, local businesses and local wildlife organisations, the sponsors may still be able to find investors to fund a feasibility study. The HAG will await further developments.	
5a	Establishment of Lido	
	PS had discussed progress with Chris Starkie. A number of comments previously raised by PS, CLSM and the NCC team have now been addressed and second draft reports have been received. Chris and his team plan to report progress to the next HAG meeting in December.	CLSM/PS
	CLSM has drafted a press release (attached) covering both Lido and Signage which has been approved by NCC and Borough (pending confirmation of funds remaining to spend on signage change). This was approved by members present. CLSM will seek approval of two other members to achieve quorum.	
5b	Signage	
	See above re: Press Release. We are still awaiting costings of signage improvements from Borough. CLSM to chase and ensure that this is received before Christmas.	CLSM
5c	Regular monthly Sunday market (during Summer Months)	
	Since it hasn't proved readily possible to get a High Street Road closure license to hold a monthly Sunday market, it was agreed that we'd attempt to organise a one-off event in the first quarter of 2024. MK and MR working together to achieve this.	MK/MR
5d	Reinstated of Skate Park/ Jump track in Hunstanton	
	MW has not attended the last few meetings and this has not progressed. JR committed to reopening discussions with Mark around the questionnaire and finalising so that a public review can commence.	MW/ JR
5e	Recreation Ground (CLSM declared interest)	
	CLSM and Borough are in the process of finalising the Recreation Ground lease renewal. There will be a commitment to improve the utilisation of the site for the benefit of the Town along with renovation of current	CLSM

	facilities. Progress will be reviewed monthly with the le Strange Estate and representatives of the Town such as HTC.	
5f	Beach Wheelchairs	
	Waiting on update from JL.	JL
5g	Pop up pods	
	DL progressing and will update at the next meeting.	DL
11	Any other business	
	It was noted that a number of HAG members had not attended recent meetings nor progressed allocated actions. Current progress reflects the actions and commitment of 5/6 people. The purpose of the HAG is to benefit and improve the Town. To do this Members need to commit the time and effort to attend as often as possible, accept responsibility for agreed actions and progress them.	
	It was agreed that members present consider nominations for additional members prepared to commit time and effort.	
12	Date of next meeting – 14 <sup>th</sup> December	
	Thursday, 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2023, 6pm at Hunstanton Town Council	

Close: 7.15pm