

# **Civic Working Party- World War 1**

## **Minutes**

Monday, 15 September 2014 at 10:00

### **PRESENT:**

Councillor Wainwright (in the Chair), Paul Williamson, Irene Williams, Terry Byrne, Colin Tooke, Paul Davies, Colin Stott, Gavin Dean, Rev'd Chris Terry and Grant Bolton.

Alan Carr, Laura Goodman and Karline Smith (Great Yarmouth Borough Council Officers).

### **1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Fairhead and Ian Hampshire.

### **3 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2014 were confirmed.

### **4 MATTERS ARISING**

The Chairman asked for clarification on the dinner being held on 11 October 2014 which would be WW1 themed. It was reported that this would now be held in January 2015 as there were several Trafalgar day dinners held around October time.

### **5 COUNCIL EVENTS FOR 2014 (LAURA GOODMAN TO REPORT)**

(a) Civic Service 3rd August 2014

It was reported that this service went well but there was a poor attendance by youth personnel and uniformed personnel from the forces.

(b) Candlelit vigil 4th August 2014

It was reported that this was attended by over 60 people.

(c) Festival of Remembrance 8th November 2014

It was reported that local school children would be asked to cut poppies up and each school that does this would be offered 3 tickets to attend the service. Tickets would be sold at £10 each. Concern was expressed that the band did not attend the Civic Service or Maritime Festival.

Next year school children would be asked to grow their own produce like the land girls.

(d) Remembrance Day 9th November 2014

This would be discussed in detail after the meeting.

## **6 THE GREAT WAR - A TIME LINE**

The Events Manager spoke of the Zeppelin raids and suggested that a service be held on 19 January 2015 at 11.00 am at St Peters Plain and that a road closure would be applied for and a press release would be sent out.

## **7 BOROUGH EVENTS**

a) Great Yarmouth Minster Preservation Trust

It was reported that the exhibition currently sits in the aisle of the church and is on till the 30th September 2014.

b) Norfolk Museums

It was reported that the touring exhibition would be from 7-19 December 2014. The schools have come up with some interesting things that happened to local people. The small tank is now being made and it will be 6ft x 4ft in size. The venues for the exhibition would be the Town Hall, Great Yarmouth Library, St Georges Theatre and local schools.

c) Great Yarmouth Archeological Society

There was nothing to report on this item.

## **8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Paul Davies reported that in December the 4th Annual Christmas Tree Festival would be taking place and asked if anyone would like to enter a World War 1 themed tree.

The meeting ended at: 10:20