

Area Museums Committee

Minutes

Friday, 25 September 2015 at 10:30

Present:

Councillor Robinson-Payne (in the Chair), Councillor Collins, Jeal and Williamson.

Dr R Hanley, Mr A Smith, Mr C Stott (Norfolk Museums Service) and Robin Hodds (Cabinet Secretary, GYBC).

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Grey and C Smith.

3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 27 March 2015 were confirmed.

4 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

5 GYBC MUSEUMS REPORT FOR GYAMC

The Committee considered the Norfolk Museums Service report on Great Yarmouth

museums for the period March to August 2015.

The Norfolk Museums Service representatives reported in detail on the following issues in the report:-

Exhibitions at Time and Tide

- Humans in Ancient Britain
- Anthony Amies – Land and Sea
- Witch Hunt – The East Anglian Witch Hunt 1645 – 1647
- Forthcoming Exhibitions – Beastley Machines

Events

- Museums at Night
- Summer Events
- Great Yarmouth Fossil Roadshow

Other Museum Developments

- Offices and meeting room in Blackfriars Road
- Accreditation success
- Opening new displays
- Rare Norfolk Find on Tour to Time and Tide
- The Young Historians and Archaeology Club
- Weddings and Venue Hire

Learning

- School Visits
- Cinderella Event
- Surviving the Stone Age

- Stories from the Sea
- James Paget Project

Partnerships

- Cultural Heritage Partnership
- Cultural Education Partnership
- Creative Collisions
- Maritime Effect Project
- Heritage Schools Project

Visitor Numbers

The Norfolk Museums representatives tabled a spreadsheet giving details of visitors to museums under the control of the Norfolk Museums Service for the period 2015/16.

RESOLVED:

That the Norfolk Museums Service's report for the period March – August 2015 be noted.

6 STORIES FROM THE SEA PROJECT

The Committee considered a power point presentation from Colin Stott from the Norfolk Museums Service with regard to the Stories from the Sea Project.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

INVITATIONS TO AREA MUSEUM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Chairman raised the issue that invitations had not been extended to Members of the Area Museums Committee to attend various openings of exhibitions held at museums in Great Yarmouth. Dr Hanley confirmed that he would ensure that the necessary invitations were extended to all Members of the Area Museums Committee for such events in the future.

The meeting ended at: 11:30