

Civic Working Party- World War 1

Minutes

Monday, 24 November 2014 at 10:00

Present:

Councillor Wainwright (in the Chair), Councillors Fairhead, B Coleman, Cutting and Shrimplin, Paul Williamson, Irene Williamson, Colin Tooke, Paul Davies, Colin Stott and Jonathan Newman.

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

An apology for absence was received from Kate Argyle.

3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 September 2014 were confirmed subject to the spelling correction of the word uniformed.

4 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

5 COUNCIL EVENTS FOR 2014/15 (LAURA GOODMAN TO REPORT)

(a) Festival of Remembrance 8th November 2014

Positive feedback had been received about the event and it was decided that it would be held as an annual event. Some changes regarding standard bearers would be discussed at the planning stage.

RESOLVED:

To hold this event again on 7th November 2015.

(b) Remembrance Day 9th November 2014

A meeting would follow this meeting as a de-brief on what happened on the day.

(c) Zepplin Raid 19th January 2015

Laura reported that she had met Canon Chris Terry and arranged the following:-

11.00 am Hold a small ceremony at the grave of Sammuel Smith at Kitchener Rad where the Mayor would lay a wreath.

11.30 am A 30 minute service would be held at St Peter Plain.

12.00 Refreshments would be served at St Georges Theatre.

A press article would be prepared and relatives would be asked to attend, a letter would be placed in the Mercury and the Borough News.

6 THE GREAT WAR - A TIME LINE

There was nothing to report on the time line for 2015.

7 BOROUGH EVENTS

(a) Great Yarmouth Preservation Trust

(c) Great Yarmouth Archaeological Society

It was reported that the exhibition was held and that in may be repeated again at the end of the commemoration in 2018. Great Yarmouth High School were interested in placing a blue plaque up in Beaconsfield Road for Henry Cator.

(b) Norfolk Museums to report

on the 7th November 2014 an Opening Ceremony was held to open their schools project exhibition at St Georges. The Exhibition would be in the Atrium next week along with the tank, this would then go to Gorleston Library and then into the local schools.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Irene Williamson reported that she had been invited to Peterhouse School to read the "Please wear a Poppy" poem which was recorded and would be placed onto the English Heritage Website. They had obtained a grant from English Heritage to build a memorial garden and progress on this would be provided at future meetings.

The meeting ended at: 10:25