

Civic Working Party- World War 1

Minutes

Monday, 12 January 2015 at 10:00

Present:

Councillor T Wainwright (in the Chair), Councillor B Coleman, Paul Williamson, Irene Williamson, Paul Davies, Colin Tooke and Kate Argyle.

Alan Carr, Laura Goodaman 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 Colin Stott.

3 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 November 2014 were confirmed subject to the clarification that the Peterhouse School project was funded by Heritage Schools and not English Heritage.

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

This event had taken place and would be scheduled again for November 2015.

(b) Remembrance Day 9th November 2014

Arrangements were in place for Remembrance Day 2015.

(c) **Zepplin Raide 19th January 2015**

It was reported that site visits had taken place and that road closures were in place. The grave would be steaked out so that it was easy to find and the group were asked if anyone would be happy to direct people to the grave. Audio had been arranged for the grave. It was agreed that Dr Paul Davies would read out the death order which would take seven minutes. Laura Goodman agreed to meet the members who agreed to help at 10.30am at the top of Kitchener Road. It was hoped that the media would attend as a media invitation had been sent out. Gazebo's would be set up on St Peter's Plain.

Kate Argyle reported that the Primary Academy would like to send a group of half a dozen children to the ceremony. After the service a film would be shown at St Geroges which had been created by TS Warrior and the exhibition which had toured the borough and the local schools would also be on display.

(d) **Mayor's Tea Party 8th April 2015 in the afternoon**

Dusmagrik had been asked to sing war time songs. Tickets would be sold for the event with the proceeds going to the Mayors Charity.

6 THE GREAT WAR - A TIMELINE

Colin Took reported that there was no update for the events for the remainder of the year.

7 BOROUGH EVENTS

(a) **Great Yarmouth Preservation Trust to report**

It was reported that there was no update to be provided.

(b) **Norfolk Museums to report**

In the absence of the Norfolk Museums Officer there was no update to be provided.

(c) **Great Yarmouth Archaeological Society**

It was hoped that two plaques would be installed, one for Cator who was awarded the Victoria Cross. Heritage Schools would pay for the two plaques. It was suggested that an event could also be held in Gorleston.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(i) It was reported that Bruno Peak was organising a Norfolk Military Tattoo which would be held in Great Yarmouth in 2017. It was agreed that Bruno would be invited to a future meeting to give the Working Party an update and that this item would become a standard agenda item.

(ii) Irene Williams asked if Great Yarmouth would be marking the Gallipoli Landings on the 25 April as other branches of the British Legion had reported they were attending church services to mark this event. Laura Goodman agreed to look into this as it may be that a Norfolk Wide event was being held and this could be attended by the Mayor on behalf of Great Yarmouth. Laura suggested that if Great

Yarmouth did hold a service one could be held in the Northern Parishes and one could be held in the Southern Parishes. Irene also asked about the Battle of Ypres on the 22 April.

(iii) Clarification was sought on the press release that was agreed to be sent out relating to the Remembrance Service and it was reported that this would be sent out near the time of the service.

(iv) It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 3 March 2015 at 10.30 am.

The meeting ended at: 10:31