

# H O L T C H A M B E R O F T R A D E

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Minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2011 in Byfords Wine Bar at 1800 hrs.

Committee:	John Lintott (Chairman)	Gresham School	714621
	Martin Sanders (Treasurer)	Larking-Gowen	712017
	Charles Butler	Butler's Pantry	711867
	Duncan Baker	Bakers & Larners of Holt	712244
	Caroline Carter	The Holt Chronicle	712177
	Len Casey	Guided Media	768156
	Joshua Dyball	Josh.biz	862610
	Sandra Taylor-Meeds	Budgens	713734
	Lynda Mossman (Membership Sec)	Past Caring	713771
	David Makinson	The Holt Bookshop	715858

**PRESENT:** John Lintott (Chairman), Lynda Mossman (Membership Secretary), Martin Sanders (Treasurer), Charles Butler, Caroline Carter, Joshua Dyball, Zoë Ford, Andrew Godfrey, Chris Lambert, Chloë Nelson, Julie Nelson, Mary Pembleton, Rodney Smith, Helen Wickes.

**APOLOGIES:** Duncan Baker, Sue Catt, Di Dann, David Makinson, Sarah Tribe, Lara Williamson.

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** These were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**MATTERS ARISING:** **Holt Sorting Office** - Closing proposal is not proceeding but is under review. Although **rent reviews** on commercial premises in Leeds are not proceeding in the present economic climate, they are still proceeding in Sheringham, Norwich, and here, in Holt. **Damage to shop premises** – Mary Pembleton stated that she had experienced vandalism to her shop door about six weeks ago.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Martin Sanders produced up-to-date figures which reflected a current membership of 85. This gave an income of £3324 (+ £0.96 bank interest). Expenses for the year up-to-date stand at £1,011.20 which gives a current year surplus of £2,313.76 and a closing balance of £5,074.82. Payment has been made to Roots and Shoots of £497 for their work on the planters. Payments on outstanding members' invoices were discussed and it was agreed to pursue this.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Lynda reported that a new interior design shop is opening up behind Lloyds Bank, and Hairport, and Mountain Warehouse in Chapel Yard may join the Chamber shortly. Silver and Salt in Bull Street are also considering membership. Julie and Chloë Nelson from Nelson's Eye Patch were welcomed as new members.

**TOWN COUNCIL:** Di Dann has reported that the pigeon mess behind the House and Garden Shop has been tackled but the pigeons remain!

**HOLT SUMMER FESTIVAL:** John has sent a letter of congratulations to the chairman, Delaval Astley, to thank him and his team for an outstanding festival. All agreed it had been most successful.

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS:** Chris reported that the committee plans to meet this Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> September. He will report back on fundraising as soon as possible.

**HOLT VISION:** Consultants Allied Morrison: Urban Practitioners have been appointed at a meeting which took place that morning and their brief is confirmed to prepare a 'Vision for Holt'.

**THE RING ROUND SYSTEM:** Enquiries have been made but no neighbouring towns operate one. No effective method of deterring shop lifters was agreed on. Rodney suggested a siren but Caroline said that it could empty the town!

**LAND WEST OF WOODFIELD ROAD – PUBLIC CONSULTATION 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2011:**

The consultation will be held between 3–7 pm at the Community Centre. Everyone is urged to attend.

**THORNAGE ROAD CAR PARK:** Quantity Surveyors have supplied their reports to Graham Chapman who will go to tender very soon. The terms of the access between the planned car park and Valley Lane remain unresolved.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS :** It is to be confirmed if Holt Christmas cards are to be produced for sale. Apart from Gresham School, no other articles have been received to be placed on the Chamber website blog and Josh urges members to use this facility.

**DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> October at 1800 hrs in Byfords Wine Bar.