

# HOLT CHAMBER OF TRADE

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Minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2010 in Byfords Wine Bar at 1800 hrs.

Committee:	John Lintott (Chairman)	Hayes & Storr	712835
	Alan Godfrey (Treasurer)	Gresham's School	714503
	Charles Butler	Butler's Pantry	711867
	Duncan Baker	Bakers & Larners of Holt	712244
	Caroline Carter	The Holt Chronicle	712177
	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), James Adcock, Duncan Baker (DB), Charles Butler, Caroline Carter, Joshua Dyball (JD), Nigel Emmett (NE), Liz Norfolk Country Cottages, Sandra Taylor-Meeds, David Makinson, Mr Starling, Sarah Tribe

Esme Bagnall-Oakeley (Chairman of the Holt Festive Lights Committee) (EBO) and Di Dann (Town Clerk) (DD) were in attendance.

The Chairman advised DD would be taking minutes. He welcomed everyone.

## 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Lynda Mossman.

## 2. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> JULY

These were approved and signed by the Chairman.

## 3. MATTERS ARISING (not included on Agenda)

The recent robbery at Webbs there would be an open discussion at the end of the meeting.

## 4. TREASURERS REPORT

69 paid members to date giving a total income of £350. Expenditure to date £1292 leaving a surplus of £2248. This was £460 down on budget and Lynda was pursuing new businesses to help bridge this gap.

## 5. TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

DD reported matters relating to the refurbishment of the War Memorial in the Market Place. Local generosity and a grant had brought in £9000 and any surplus would be invested into a reserve account for future refurbishment work. The Chamber would arrange to remove the broken planter on the east side of the memorial. The Church Street toilets might be reopening in October after great efforts from local volunteers and craftsmen. The Town Council was working with the Orbital Railway Company to bring a stop to Holt Town. The Local Development Framework had now concluded its deliberations with the end of the inspector's enquiries. He would make his decision known in the late Autumn.

## 6. HOLT SUMMER FESTIVAL

Chairman complimented the organizing team for the event which had been a huge success. RBL said that they had broken even and were now looking at the 2011 programme. He would be resigning as Chairman although staying on as a Trustee. He thanked Bakers & Larners and

Greshams for their most generous support. He noted the comment that marketing should expanded out from the immediate area into the region.

## **7. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

EBO spoke of her concerns for the efforts of the small volunteer committee which would be resigning after the 2010 event. EBO advised of two recent unexpected bills – Methodist light repairs and the £450 licence fee to close the road. AG advised that Greshams would put forward £450 in addition to their usual donation. This was greatly appreciated No one had come forward to shadow the tasks the volunteers did. Chamber members would help deliver letters personally to shops.

## **8. WEBSITE**

JD advised that he had switched over to the new website. Minutes of the current meetings would be put on the site. Archive minutes would also be included. Summaries of the accounts for the Chamber would also be added to the site. JD asked for business logos to add to the site. There would be a gallery of pictures on the site and a news blog.

## **9. RENT REVIEWS**

John Hadcroft, Chartered Surveyor would attend a meeting (Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 6.00 p.m.). Venue to be advised. The meeting would be open to all traders, agents and landlords.

## **10. GUIDE**

It was agreed not to have a guide as previously published. Concerns were raised about the Holt and Sheringham combined guide which had been published without Chamber prior approval. DD would produce sample Town Guides from Publishing Plus.

## **11. HOLT VISION**

The project group was meeting again on 16<sup>th</sup> September.

## **12. BUDGENS EXTENSION**

Members offered support in principle but enquiries would be made on additional stock which may be sold.

## **13. AOB**

13.1 DB advised that the Beer Festival was 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2010

13.2 Security. There was general discussion on recent problems relating to security – the robbery at Webbs and Starlings expressed concern. DD advised mobile CCTV camera was currently being arranged by the SNT.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.