

CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL

29 October 2015

COUNCILLOR MRS EA NOCKOLDS CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE, HERITAGE AND HEALTH

For the period September 24th to 19th October 2015

1 Progress on Portfolio Matters.

The Town Hall, 'Stories of Lynn', project is progressing very well since my last report. Externally the new lift framework is in place, the tarmac from the rear car park, which will eventually be a garden, has been removed to enable the new cable work for the utilities to be installed and the Mayor's car garage is almost completed. Internally, the plasterwork and hard flooring in the new exhibition area in the Undercroft, and Archive Resource/Community areas are almost completed. The Archive Document Storeroom is being constructed.

A series of 'Stories of Lynn' lectures are being held during October & November at the Town Hall. They are designed to inform the public of the history of some of the collections which will be on display at the Town Hall and the history of other heritage buildings in the town.

LILY the web-site directory of services, activities and guidance for older people in West Norfolk, receives on average 4,000 hits per month. Since its launch in March 2014 the web-site has received a total of 125,403. The site is regularly updated and has recently been refreshed and new categories have been included, such as 'Dementia Guidance and Services' and an introduction of advice or guidance on topics such as End of Life, Time Credits and the NHS. The second phase of the web-site changes will take place later this year and will provide additional NHS health related information, particularly 'Wellbeing Plans', which will enable users to set goals using LILY listings and track their progress.

To allow this initiative to be accessible by many more older people and their carers the LILY Programme Board have agreed to invite providers to test the viability of stand-alone touchscreen kiosks in high footfall public areas such as doctors surgeries, hospitals and supermarkets as well as assisted self-serve access points via a laptop in community settings which would be supported by LILY advisors. The advisors are people who will be trained to volunteer and to staff the community access points. The Board have also agreed to commission an organisation to design a training programme for the LILY advisors. It is also planned to have LILY Ambassadors who would be expected to promote LILY and signpost people to the web-site.

2 Forthcoming Activities and Developments.

Alive Leisure have organised a range of activities during half term school holiday at each of the sports centres, starting at 10am until 3pm. A new breakfast club at Lynnsport is being led by KL Community Football starting at 8am and will include board games, computer games or films, breakfast will be included. Family swimming sessions at each pool is on offer as well as a crash course of swimming lessons.

Alive Fitness are offering a 6 week 'Health Plan' to new members especially those who are aiming to lose weight. They will be offered a personal training session and workout plan. A seminar is also on offer, led by NutriCentre, who will be available providing advice on nutrition and healthy eating. This follows on from the summer initiative, called 'Lowering your Blood pressure'.

The Healthy Walk programme which the Council organises in partnership with Active Norfolk is being incorporated with 'The Way to Go' weight loss 12 week programme. The Healthy Walk programme includes Grade 1 and introductory walks. The criteria of a Grade 1 walk is flat, firm, suitable for wheelchairs and mobility scooters, public toilets, parking and refreshments and can be shortened if necessary. Many of these walks have been held in The Walks. Depending on the availability of Walk Leaders volunteering it is planned to have walks in the Downham Mkt. and Hunstanton area.

Under the terms of the Service Level Agreement between the Borough Council and Norfolk Museums Service the Lynn Museum free admission period starts this month until March 2016. Within this agreement Norfolk Museums also provides curatorial advice, support and an enquiry service for the Council collections including fine art and Civic Regalia.

3 Meetings Attended and Meetings Scheduled

Portfolio meetings with;

Ray Harding Chief Executive
Chris Bamfield Exec. Director of Commercial Services
Ian Burbidge Policy & Partnership Manager

Cabinet

Alive Leisure Trust Board meeting

Alive Leisure Trust AGM

Alive Leisure Trust Governance Committee

Joins Museums Accounts Approval Committee

King's Lynn Consultative meeting

REC Panel

Norfolk Police & Crime Panel

WN Norfolk Sports Council

King's Lynn Festival Board meeting

Stars of Norfolk Awards Judging Panel member

