

## **CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL**

**25 JUNE 2015**

### **COUNCILLOR MRS EA NOCKOLDS CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURE, HERITAGE & HEALTH**

For the period 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2015 to 14<sup>th</sup> June 2015

#### **1 Progress on Portfolio Matters.**

The first phase of the works at the Town Hall is progressing well, focussing on the creation of the new archive document store and collections resource area and the construction of a new lift and stair extension to the rear of the building. The work is expected to be completed by late Autumn after which a contractor will be appointed to fit the new exhibition, "Stories of Lynn" ready for the opening to the public at Easter 2016. The paintings in the Assembly Room have recently been re-hung after the completion of the decoration of the walls and woodwork.

The Learning & Engagement Officer for the "Stories of Lynn" is working with a 4 year Activity Plan which includes being involved with the local community. The first year of the Plan is already being worked on with members from the Matthew Project. They are producing a film showing the connection of King John with King's Lynn. A drawing project is being created by members of the Purfleet Trust who are producing a Portfolio of their drawings of heritage buildings within the town and is linked with the Townscape Heritage Initiative.

Living Independently in Later Years, LILY, is a major preventative programme, under the auspices of the West Norfolk Alliance, which consists of the Borough Council and the WNCCG, is aimed at older people and their families. It provides easy access to information that will help them to continue to live safely and independently at home.

Phase 1 of LILY, funded by the WN Partnership which is incorporated with the Borough Council, relates to the creation of an on-line access point for information for older people or can be accessed via telephone to the Councils Information Centre. The second phase of LILY, funded by the Strong & Well fund from the NCC., includes forming a Programme Board which will establish Governance structures as well as identifying patterns and areas of need gathered from the web-site and Contact Centre. The Board will be formed this month with volunteers from the Health & Social Care sector.

## **2 Forthcoming Activities and Developments.**

Celebration of the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of signing the Magna Carta held in the Tuesday Market Place was extremely popular. Also as part of the festivities over 800 people visited the Lynn Museum with 400 children striking a King John penny and following the "Lost Treasure Trail" through the town. The Customs House, TIC, held an exhibition with special focus on the King John Charter. The event was organised by the Borough Council, 'Stories of Lynn' Team in partnership with Norfolk Records Office and Norfolk Museums.

Following on from this success other free events in Kings Lynn will be taking place in the town throughout the summer. The next event, July 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, is Forties Lynn, "Life on the Home Front" which will be preceded by a Spitfire trail and Spitfire flypast to coincide with the Freedom of the Borough Parade by the 42<sup>nd</sup> KL Squadron Air Cadets. The model spitfires are sponsored and decorated by local businesses. The Borough Council are sponsoring 3 and will be decorated by KL Brownies/Guides, the KL Nursery School and a local artist, Helena Anderson.

Alive Leisure Trust Village Games are taking place on 28<sup>th</sup> June at Lynnsport. 14 village teams from West Norfolk are competing in various sports such as Archery, Darts, Athletics, 5 a-side football, racquet sports and carpet bowls.

## **3 Meetings Attended and Meetings Scheduled**

Portfolio meetings with ;

Ray Harding Chief Executive  
Chris Bamfield Exe Director Commercial Services  
Ian Burbidge Policy & Partnership Manager  
Leanne Winston Events & Marketing Officer  
Ruth Farnan Learning & Engagement Officer for  
"Stories of Lynn", Town Hall

Cabinet

Alive Leisure Trust Audit Committee  
Norfolk Records Committee  
Norfolk Joint Museums Committee  
Kings Lynn Festival Board AGM  
WN Sports Council AGM  
LILY Shadow Board