

## **CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL**

**21 September 2017**

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

For the period 27 July to 10th September 2017

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

The in-Collusion talent and development art project in King's Lynn has created 4 one-off experimental arts projects working with the Lynn Lumiere light projectors. With support from the Council in Spring 2017 Collusion held a series of events for local creatives to take part in a research and development project. Four teams took part in the challenge. The teams have built on their existing skills and knowledge and with new skills have applied them to the challenge of projection technologies around King's Lynn. These will be shown to the public just for one week-end at the end of September.

The LILY project has received both regional and international recognition for its achievements in delivering advice and information to older people in West Norfolk and Swaffham. Due to the request of the UK representative from the Innovation in Politics Institute 2017 Awards, we have nominated "Ask LILY" for two categories, Quality of Life and Community. Finalists will be invited to an Award ceremony in December.

Rt. Hon. Patricia Hewitt the Independent Chair of the Oversight Group of Norfolk and Waveney's STP requested to see the LILY project during her visit to the QE Hospital. She reported that she was very impressed with the achievement made in such a short time and with limited resources. She was also particularly impressed with how a local authority has worked in partnership with the voluntary sector.

There are now 41 LILY Advisors. It is estimated that they have reached over 11,000 people since February 2017. As well as many Social and Carers groups the Advisors have attended, and are continuing to attend, the GP Surgeries in the WNCCG district and a few are already referring patients to LILY Advisors or the Web-site. Adverts for LILY are continuing in parish magazines, village newsletters, Corn Exchange brochures and Sainsbury's digital display board. Within one year there have been over 16,000 users of the web-site.

As mentioned in my last report to Council we are working in partnership with Public Health, NCC and Norfolk Football Foundation promoting "Smoke Free Sidelines". This means members and visitors refrain from smoking both

indoors and outdoors especially the pitch side lines. The first mid Norfolk Youth League in our Borough, Shouldham FC, will be holding their "Smoke Free sidelines" match later in September. To support and promote the project our Council has provided funding towards purchasing merchandise such as a banner and a selection of T shirts.

I am asking anyone who is interested in our Boroughs heritage to submit a nomination to Historic England's, "A History of England in 100 places" on their web-site. It would be good to have one of our heritage sites in the 100 Places handbook.

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

King's Lynn Civic Society provided and organised a well planned Heritage Open Day. Working with many partnerships, Businesses, Town Guides and many volunteers, the day provided much enjoyment for residents of West Norfolk and many visitors. The Classic Car day coincided with Heritage Day and was also successful with 200 cars attending. The whole of the summer events including the Festivals has seen a rise in the footfall to Kings Lynn. Marketing King's Lynn in this way is vital for its economy.

During the first 5 months of the year the attendance at 'Stories of Lynn' has risen from 3048 in 2016 to 4071 to August 2017. During one day in the summer holidays over 200 children attended a Pirates event.

The Archives are also having good attendances, on average 60 per month, compared to only 30 last year. Within the next 3 months at the Archives, 3 workshops are taking place: Introduction into researching 'Family History'; Introduction into 'searching and ordering documents' from the search room and Viewing documents which formed the basis to 'Stories of Lynn'. The Archivist has been cataloguing unidentified maps. One in particular has been viewed by the public recently, a 1928 Ordnance Survey map of King's Lynn., known as the Bomb map. During WW2 bombs dropped were recorded on this map. The map is 200cm x 275cm in size. An 1887 Ordnance Survey map of King's Lynn was on display during Heritage Day.

During Heritage Day visitors to the Southgates were consulted, by the Norfolk Museum staff, on the type of interpretation and displays they would like to view on their visit to the Southgates. This is part of the HLF project.

Alive Leisure has started the new Autumn season with a children's healthy activity programme. Roller skating is available at Lynnsport and Downham Market Leisure Centre during week-ends and at the Oasis out door rink. At Downham football coaching for age groups from five to fifteen will take place on Friday evenings. The Oasis will continue with swimming lessons both for adults and children now there are less holiday makers using the facility. All sports centres are having an open day on October 8th.

Alive Management are upgrading toilet facilities at Lynnsport and St James Centre and improving the furniture in the bar area of Lynnsport and the landing of the Corn Exchange within the next 12months.

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

Portfolio meetings with ;

Ray Harding	Chief Executive
Chris Bamfield	Exe Director Commercial Services
Lorraine Gore	Exe Director Finance Services
Martin Chisholm	Business Manager
Chris Durham	Grounds Maintenance Manager
Tim Humphrey	Tourism Manager
Luke Shackell	King's Lynn Archivist

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Alive Management Board

Norfolk Arts Forum

WN Community Transport Management Committee

True's Yard AGM

National Autistic Society WN Branch AGM