

## **CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL**

**2 December 2021**

**COUNCILLOR GRAHAM MIDDLETON –**

**DEPUTY LEADER & CABINET MEMBER FOR BUSINESS, CULTURE AND HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT**

For the period October – 2 December 2021

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

#### **BID Kings Lynn**

I'm delighted that the Bid have been successful with their vote to extend the period of term for another 4 years. The staff and board have done a fantastic job and we are delighted they are to continue.

Kings Lynn BID add a lot of value to our town centre, have completed some fantastic projects and have a solid business plan moving forward.

Recently we have worked closely with them to secure the Argos building for Xmas marketing event. Also a study is currently running for pop up shop concepts. In the new year we hope to see this built out further.

#### **Report from Cllr Nockolds , Heritage and Culture Champion**

The delivery of Norfolk Museum Services in KL&WN continues to operate under the terms of the Service Level Agreement with the Borough Council. Under the terms of the SLA the Lynn Museums free admission period run from October to the end of March. At the recent meeting, I chaired, a report from the Assistant Head of Norfolk Museums and the Curator of Lynn Museum was given informing the committee of a new exhibition which has been recently opened and will run until June. The displays tell the story of gardens and gardening in the Kings Lynn area. Exhibition themes covered by exhibition includes garden wildlife, which includes the taxidermy collection, 'Dig for Victory', materials relating to The Walks and other public gardens also placed in the permanent shop is a display of Taylor's seed merchants articles and film of the Taylor's family shop in Norfolk street.

For an exhibition during 2022 the British Museum, BM, has requested the loan of a number of ring palisade timbers of Sea Henge. The exhibition at BM will have highlights from Neolithic and Bronze Age of Britain, Ireland and NW Europe. This partnership with BM is a significant opportunity to have Sea Henge shown to an international audience. The full report of the Lynn Museum given to the committee comprising of the Iron Age coin acquisition and other partnerships the museum work with, is in Mod Gov.

The Tourism Department are working with the EXPERIENCE Norfolk team at the NCC, the aim is to enable independent tourism and hospitality businesses to link up and provide bookable unique visitor experiences together. The EXPERIENCE team attended the recent WN Tourism Forum AGM to meet with local local businesses.

I recently attended the Local Cultural Educational Partnership, 'PEACH', administered by Creative Arts East which is funded by the Council and the Arts Council via Festival Bridge. It was agreed to fund and support, with a small grant, 4-8 small projects with the aim of giving a positive cultural experience or to access and participate in extra-curriculum cultural offer, all of which must champion cultural education for young people.

As a Council we are participating in the Sculpture Norfolk Trail of Prehistoric species next summer. The event is organised by the Charity named 'Break'. With the Operations Manager we had the privilege of selecting the artwork for two mammoths we are sponsoring.

I have also attended

Norfolk Arts Forum

Norfolk Joint Museums Committee

Norfolk Records Committee

Trues Yard AGM

Visit E of England Board

WN Tourism Forum AGM

Guildhall Advisory Board

Mart Management meeting

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

Meetings August to November

Bid board

CPP

KL Bid follow up meeting

Portfolio holder briefing

Meeting with business

Cabinet meeting

Councillors briefing public health

R&D

Parkway scheme meeting

BC/HTC liaison

Leaders /deputy CEO briefing

Towns board

Guildhall meeting

Meeting with business

Meeting with business

Cabinet meeting

Norfolk chamber of commerce

Management team day

Portfolio catch up

Local authority owned companies  
Housing strategy meeting  
Meeting with Cllr Nockolds heritage champion  
Leader deputy CEO meeting  
Cabinet  
Bid board  
Guildhall advisory group  
Meeting with business  
Officer meeting re tourism  
Finance update  
Meeting with business  
Corporate monitoring update  
SGT programming and events  
Bid meeting  
Review towns fund  
Cabinet meeting  
Meeting with business  
Town deal meeting  
Portfolio meeting  
Cabinet meeting  
Energise pentney laugh meeting  
Leader deputy CEO meeting  
Meeting with business  
Princess theatre  
Guildhall advisory  
Cabinet meeting  
Towns fund  
Leader deputy ceo meeting  
CPP  
Corporate business plan meeting  
AWN planning meeting  
Guildhall advisory meeting  
Cabinet meeting  
R&D  
Meeting with business  
Meeting with business  
Portfolio holders meeting  
Council  
Vision meeting  
Cabinet meeting  
Meeting with business  
Meeting with business  
Active travel hub  
Queens volunteer awards  
Training IDC  
Towns centre re purpose  
Cabinet meeting  
Unison meeting  
Meeting with business  
Portfolio meeting

Hunstanton bus station meeting  
Guildhall project  
Leader deputy ceo meeting  
Cabinet  
Management team  
Member briefing new hospital  
Chamber net walking event  
Business rates meeting  
Guildhall project meeting  
Discovery centre  
KLAC  
Meeting with business  
Intergalactic hanse launch  
HAZ  
Meeting with business  
Town centre re purposing  
Meeting with business  
Leader deputy ceo meeting  
HAZ  
Cabinet meeting  
Towns fund  
Guildhall meeting  
NHLF meeting  
Bid meeting  
Councillor community grant scheme  
Leader deputy ceo briefing  
Bid meeting  
Meeting with business  
Employment committee  
Majestic cinema  
Cabinet meeting  
Meeting with business  
Seafront traders  
Portfolio meeting  
Council  
Muti user hub meeting  
West winch stakeholder  
Flytipping report  
Cabinet meeting  
Meeting with business  
Portfolio meeting  
Guildhall meeting  
Leader deputy ceo briefing  
R&D  
Cabinet  
Towns fund  
AWN meeting  
Bid meeting  
Comms update  
Leader deputy ceo meeting

Town centre re purpose meeting  
Income generation meeting  
Bid board  
Unison meeting  
Jill Bennett  
Civic society  
Leader deputy ceo meeting  
Cabinet meeting  
Townsfund  
Meeting with business  
Guildhall project  
Portfolio meeting  
Hanse strategy

In addition to the above, many officer meeting within the working day also I am often in the building for at least 3 days a week plus.