

MINUTES OF THE HOLT CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMMITTEE

Meeting date Tuesday 17th November 2009 8.30 at Bakers and Larners Coffee Shop

Attending: Esme (Chair) EBO, Alison (Fund Raiser) AH, Di DD, Duncan Entertainment DB, Josh Website JD, Sarah Lighting Officer (ST)

Agenda:

1. Apologies:

Nina - at work but she had prepared a report.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 10th November, 2009

These were agreed and signed.

4. Matters Arising

There were none which were not on the agenda

5. Lighting Officer

Trees were due to be delivered today and would be put up the next day. 40 Christmas trees to go in holders would also be delivered 36 of which were free to businesses who had donated but 4 would need to be paid for. Concern that the lights on Fish Hill would be adequate for the reindeer. Noted that Pointens shop window provided light. ST would be walking round with C&O after 6.00 p.m. one evening prior to Switch-On. DD concerned that the community centre should have the requested lighting (for all year round)

Thanks would go onto the website for Woodrows, Edgefield Nurseries and C & O

6. Fund Raiser's Report

AH advised that donations so far totaled £7944 with £3776 invoiced and still to come in giving a total of £11720 (exclusive main sponsors) This compared to 2008 79 giving £8600 excluding main sponsors been received in comparison to 34 in at the same time in 2008 making a total of £6278 against £4001 in 2008. Total Butler had agreed to the identified opportunities for advertising and they would be approached concerning sponsorship of a 2010 leaflet

The torches were demonstrated and it was agreed to they should be sold for a cost £2.50 each.

Members concerned at attitude of some shopkeepers to the committee's efforts.

7 Entertainments

DB ran through the programme again He would ask Gordon if he could improve the lighting in the truck. Nigel Watkinson would be providing a sound system cost £300 – this needed additions owing to the band playing... Radio Norfolk would be outside Bakers & Larners.

Concern for space for the reindeer in the car park area of Fish Hill was eased by the suggestion that Edward Jones might be willing to place bollards out during the course of the day. The EDP generator would not be coming into down as DB had “done a deal” with them on the cost of 1000 EDP’s EBO would liaise with the Chris C (CC), celebrity. DD would ask the Lawns if CC could park there.

8 Website

JD asked for information the website. The site was having 50/.60 hit each day

9 Treasurers Report

£7844 banked with £380 from stalls Balance of £10328.55 Two accounts to be paid A Rose £257.60 for the torches and Dynamics £219.42. DD advised that HTC would need to be refunded for the Leaflet cost and leaflet distribution cost.

9 Report on the Community Centre, Road closure, Fireworks and bucket collection

7a) Community Centre. DD advised 11 paid up stalls with 3 more possibles and a good variety of merchandise. Letters had been sent to all stallholders.

7b) Road closure DD valued help on Peacock Lane and Cromer Road 4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m. DD yet to see the road closure signs

7c) Fireworks. The insurance cover had come through with no extra charge. DD would deliver to households in Station Road and St Andrews Close regarding pet safety and it had already been put into the Chronicle.

7d) Bucket collections.

DD had collected the buckets from Cromer and would deliver 15 to AR for her collectors and the stalls. DD had been to see the Youth project who had advised that they might have 3 / 5 collectors. More bucket collectors were desperately needed. Bucket collecting from 5.45 p.m. until 7.15 p.m. Buckets back to DD at the Community Centre at 7.30 p.m.

7e) Leaflets

DD had collected the leaflets from Cromer and distributed them in town and through the Chronicle. There was a further 500 to distribute as “top ups” to the shops.

10. Town layout

First response outside Feathers; Chestnuts outside Sowerbys; Lions outside Lanes; S & P Charity stall for Air Ambulance outside S & P (DD to visit); No 28 outside their own shop (£10 fee to pay); Graves outside Barclays; Round Table outside Cockertons; Blakeney Sailing Boat in White Lion Street; Coffee Espresso Cart outside Threshers. No American Food stall.

12. Dates of next meetings

Tuesday 24th November 8.30 at B and L Coffee shop

Sarah T was thanked for paying for the coffee – DB had a bacon sandwich too!

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Chairman

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