

**MINUTES OF THE HOLT CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting date Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 8.30 a.m. at**  
**Bakers & Larners Number Ten**

**Attending:** Esme (Chair) EBO, Di Dann DD, Tom Dick (TD), Alexa King (AK) (to Item 5), Chris Lambert (CL) Simon Gresham (SG)  
Pleased to welcome Maggie Prior, a resident of Holt and Town Councillor.  
Maggie would be helping with the Community Centre events.

**1. Apologies:**

Nina Baker (NB), Jen Barker (JB), Josh Dyball (JD), Sue Landers (SL);

**2. Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd September 2011**

These were agreed and signed.

**3. Matters arising not included on the agenda**

There were none.

**4. Timing of events**

JB has issued an events programme with the revised timings.

5.40 start up time with Live Link up and Music; 5.55 – 6.10 Sea Side Special;  
6.10 Live Link up; Choir 6.15 – 6.35 p.m. Celeb Interview 6.40; Switch On 6.45  
p.m. Fireworks followed by the Rock Band for 30 minutes.

She had contacted Father Howard, Rev Pathmarajah, and Nick (Truck and Technical) about this important time change. JB had raised other queries relating to parking for the band (DD suggested the Old Cromer Road); chairs for the band – it was considered that these should not be necessary; Theatre of Adventure (atleast 3 more weeks should go by before any commitment was made just to see how the funds came in); No places are offered for acts to change they had always managed; Mother Christmas – it was suggested that she should change in the loo at HCC and EB would ask Alexa about the sweets.

**5. Treasurers Report / Fund Raising**

NB advised that £5139.26 in the bank A/c. Cheques would need to be raised to reimburse the Town Council for the cost of the buckets; £36 for the fee for road closure; and a cheque raised to reimburse the cost of the 20 Stewards tabards.

5.1 Raffle Tickets – AK would make these more visible.

5.2 Fundraising among shops – this had been discussed at the recent Chamber of Trade meeting and EN had produced a full list for everyone so they knew which area they were covering. DD had copied all the fund raising packs and these were circulated. It was noted that those who had already pledged need only be issued with an invoice. NB had also forwarded a list of the amounts collected last year, for comparison, and EB had copied this and circulated to everyone. Everyone was asked to stay with the allocated areas. JB had advised that the sponsors page on the website was ready

5.3 Christmas Cards- there would be a delay as the cards were still at Byfords.

**6. Community Centre Activities**

JD had prepared a poster but asked for clarification on whether adults should be included. It was **AGREED** that they should accompany children and also be encouraged to make up the procession.

**7. Town Centre Stalls**

Stall enquiries were coming in and DD would pass to TD.

**8. Trees**

CL had made contact with the Holt resident but she had already felled her tree. Mr Kittle had no good trees. One tree was available from Esme about 15 feet tall. Therefore 3 other larger trees would need to be found of which 2 would need to be 18 feet. Trees: War Memorial (18), Obelisk Plain (18); Shirehall (15) ; Chapel Yard (15).

**9. Lights**

SG had met with C&O and had received a quote same as 2010 but unfortunately with VAT at 20% and possible repairs. A further quote was awaited for the Chapel Yard tree. He and EBO were looking to see if it was feasible to light up Church Street.

**10. Road Closure**

EBO had been advised by Len that the TA would not be able to come to Holt. MP would contact Holt Rugby Club. A possible incentive might be Fish and Chips (4.00 p.m. – 8.0 p.m.) DD had also put an appeal out through the Holt Chronicle.

**11. Tony Hall Cartoon (unframed)**

There was discussion on the best way of auctioning this and JD had done considerable research on the possibilities. It was **AGREED** to ask if Bircham Gallery would display it and also put it on their website. A photocopy would be put in the HCC. The auction would be by sealed bids starting with a reserve of £50

**12. Next meeting**

21<sup>st</sup> October 2011 at 8.30 a.m. at Bakers & Larners

CL was thanked for paying for the coffees. Meeting closed at 10.00 a.m.

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**Chairman**

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**Date**

