



MEETING OF THE OLD SCHOOL BUILDING

PHASE II COMMITTEE

Tuesday January 16th 2018 at 7:30pm

The Main Hall, Old School Building, Main Street, Burton Joyce

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Paul Hyde (Chair) Jeanette Johnson (Vice Chair) Pat Blandamer, Sarah Cook and Terry Hazard

In attendance: Jessica Sherrin (Clerk) Chris Helmore, Mo Major, Jerry Major and Steve Wright

- 18/0001** **Apologies for absence** – Cllr Rob Ringham (family commitments)
- 18/0002** **Council members' declaration of interests for items on the agenda** - None
- 18/0003** **Election of Chair** – Cllr Paul Hyde unanimously elected as Chair
- 18/0004** **Election of Vice Chair** – Cllr Jeanette Johnson unanimously elected as Vice Chair
- 18/0005** **Proposed and resolved unanimously** to accept the Terms of Reference
- 18/0006** **Update on purchase of long-term lease of the Old School Building** – Application for £225,000 loan is currently with the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB) and the National Association for Local Councils (NALC) for approval. Repayments will amount to c£11,500 per annum for a 30 year term. Terms of long lease to be reviewed in detail to clarify the scope for any developments on the site.
- 18/0007** **Review of Neighbourhood Plan Survey Results regarding use of the Old School Building** Noted 60% of respondents supported the establishment of a community garden. Small office units or accommodation for older people were other ideas that were either 'supported' or people 'did not mind' in the survey. Concluded that this was a good starting point. As it was part of a wider survey however it was agreed that it would be appropriate to canvas more views *specifically* relating to the Old School Building (OSB). Findings of the Neighbourhood Plan's Young Peoples survey were discussed. As views and opinions of this group were under-represented it was suggested that social media and more contact via Carlton Le Willows were appropriate avenues.
- 18/0008** **Discussion regarding other possibilities and suggestions**
Cllr Hyde noted that there is the potential of a significant donation to the development of the site, providing the youth of the village were catered for within the plans. This could be match-funded from other sources. Suggested that a wholistic view of the area outside the OSB is to be taken, to consider parking issues and pedestrian use of the area surrounding the OSB. Detailed proposal by NTU to be revisited at next meeting. An observation from the previous study was the excessive number of cars in the village. Examples of French and Dutch pedestrianised areas were sited. In considering the use of a potential new building and car park provision, analysis of utilisation of existing facilities is needed. Noted that the space does not necessarily need to be filled with a traditional building – an amenities style canopied area is a possibility. Space could be multi-functional depending on time of day. For both youth and older residents, a garden could be a focal point. Concluded

this is a big project that needs to be *meeting a need* and therefore well-researched. Consultation with residents is key. Time needs to be invested in building on existing data and bringing ideas and proposals to the discussion and to engage with all sections of the local community. Agreed that suggestions need to be put forward for people to be able to comment on.

Cllr P Blandamer left at this point

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Allocation of subgroups to investigate suggestions in detail

- Cllr Hyde to find out about Old Church Hall utilisation.
- J Sherrin to try and acquire large village map, similar to one near bus stop.
- S Wright and J Major to look at plan of village as a whole.
- Cllr P Hyde, J Major and C Helmore to make contact with NTU and to investigate flexible theatre ideas and recently built village halls in the area.
- J Major to investigate possibility of outside classroom being removed by a salvage company
- S Cook to contact H Metcalf re CLW discussions and explore youth representation further.
- J Sherrin to contact NCC Youth Services for good practice examples of youth provision
- T Hazard to investigate possible grants

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Date of next meeting: Tuesday 13th March 2018

Meeting closed 9:25pm