



MEETING OF THE OLD SCHOOL BUILDING PHASE II COMMITTEE

Monday September 12th 2022 at 7:30pm

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

Present: Cllrs L King (Chair) R Fife and R Ringham

In attendance: J Sherrin (Clerk) Cllr G Hadjigeorgiou, C Helmore, J Major and S Wright

MINUTES

22/0120 **Apologies for absence** - Cllrs Y Greenfield and J Johnson and H Metcalf.

22/0121 **Council members' declaration of interests for items on the agenda** - None

22/0122 **Minutes from previous meeting** – August 9th 2022, approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

22/0123 **Old School Trust** – A summary of the current position was provided by Cllrs King and Ringham. Four informal meetings with the Chief Exec of Southwell Diocese have taken place over the last 6 months to seek to resolve the breakdown of communication between the Old School Trust and Parish Council. The Chief Exec is due to meet the Trustees on the Vicar's return from sabbatical in October to seek a way forward. Despite numerous requests to view the Trust's accounts for clarity of where the funds paid for the long lease of the Old School Building have been placed, no information has been provided.

Noted that the History Society has been given notice to vacate the Carnarvon Rooms since the Old School Trust has established that it holds the title for the Rooms and are seeking to market them. Concerns were raised over the loss of it as a community facility.

22/0124 **Wider village developments** – Endeavours to progress the rejuvenation of the village centre and Old School Building site continue. Village Centre Plans from VIA are due in October. Useful meeting with Greg Nugent (2012 Olympics and Broadmarsh Centre redevelopment) took place with suggestion of re-launching and re-branding the project as a whole. A brief report of this meeting was circulated.

The Jubilee Clock has been removed and is being renovated using funds raised by the Village Society. Proposed that the unveiling of the refurbished clock should coincide with a re-launch of the project. Consider inviting R Whitehead, who is on board of The Nottingham Project. Agreed design ideas would needed to seek public opinion.

Proposal: *To partially clear and make good the site in readiness for Jubilee Clock unveiling / Christmas Lights Switch-On.* This will follow the demolition of the old classroom and is to enable the site to be more fully utilised whilst a resolution is sought with the Old School Trust.

A meeting had taken place with Inspire Culture and Learning regarding the planned investment to turn the library it into a 'hub'. Edwinstowe Library had been highlighted as a good example and worth visiting for ideas. Consultation with the village by Inspire staff will take place over coming months, with a view to work starting mid-2023.

A meeting with Network Rail had taken place to review safety on the crossings and arrange an awareness event in October. NR wish to explore the Fisherman's Car Park to be used as a public car park to encourage walkers to park on the river side of the railway line and therefore reduce the number of people crossing it. Noted that the footpath across the track at The Nelson in an ancient footpath dating back to the 1600s and can't be closed. Meeting with STW to be organised to open discussions about parking.

A survey is being carried out on behalf of the GP surgeries to seek public opinion on services being offered.

Suggestion of 'Development Board' to be pursued – to potentially involve History Society, Village Society, Trent Valley Councillors, GP and others.

22/0125 **Date of next meeting - TBA**

Meeting closed 8:45pm

Signed: _____
Chair of the Old School Building Phase II Committee

Date: _____