

Parish Rooms Working Party (PRWP)

Notes

Wednesday 13th December 2023

7pm at Parish Rooms Hundleby

Present

Parish Councillors Lynette Corten-Miller, Chair, Bob Bell, Christine Parker, Jenny Caitlin, Malcolm Dales, Natalie Tilsley, Philip Madison, Ruth Birkin

Residents David Stonehouse, Sarah Boulton, Sheridan

Apologies Emma Morris

1 Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. She was pleased at the turnout of residents and a full complement of Parish Councillors.

2 Chair gave her report having previously circulated it. She invited contributions focussed on moving forward with the Parish Rooms as a Heritage Centre.

3 Consensus established to focus on making the best possible use of the Parish Rooms. Also to improve the roof, size, shape, layout, toilets, heating, disabled access, storage and usage of the Parish Rooms. Would love to build wider community use e.g. a weekly community cafe. Ongoing issue of volunteers to undertake all we would like to do.

4 The meeting noted that the heritage aspects of Lincolnshire Day, artefacts, displays and photographs elicited a strong interest. Likewise Martha's Workhouse research and the new History group's interests.

5 Discussed the need and priority order of Business Plan, structural survey, architects plans and costings.

6 Agreed Chris to produce a Business Plan on a timescale of 4 - 6 weeks.

7 Agreed Lynette to ask Kirk for a list of suitable structural engineers.

8 Agreed Ruth to contact Structural Engineers for costs.

9 Agreed to update the community by way of social media and an informal newsletter no longer than 2 sides of A4. Jenny to write, Natalie to design and Philip to print it. All to deliver.

10 Lynette, Jenny, Philip to complete benchmarking form from Kirk.

11 Agreed Lynette and Jenny to review PRWP Terms of Reference (TOR) and take it to January Parish Council.

12 All recommendations from PRWP go to the full Parish Council. Agreed the need to ensure Notes and supporting documents are placed in the public domain. Lynette to progress with The Clerk.

Concluded a positive meeting with ongoing concerns about workloads, funding, timescales and viability of plans. Heartened by the interest and positive feedback we are generating from community events. It is our responsibility, wish and will to do the absolute best we can to preserve and grow the Parish Rooms for the future.

Diary dates

Visit to Alford Hub Tuesday 16th January 2024 at 10 am Alford

Next PRWP meeting Wednesday 17th January 2024 7 - 9 Parish Rooms