

## Minutes of The Preston Trust Committee Meeting 17 July 2018

Present :- Wally Steele, Rae Reynolds, Liz Hunter, Tim Justham, Richard Woolfson, Andy Cole.

Apologies:- Mike Kellard

Handover Progress New Chair and Treasurer

- New Bank mandate completed and handed to Bank who should inform us when it is effective. Nothing heard to date so AC to chase

**Action – AC to contact Bank**

Finance update

- Bank balance £6988
- Available to spend on projects £4800

CPRE Anniversary Event

- Liz kindly represented the Trust at the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary meeting in Hitchin. She reported that they were slightly disappointed with the attendance but they are the busiest of all the CPRE regions and have 2 staff and 25 willing volunteers who help to continue their good work. Everyone there enjoyed the occasion and it was celebrated with Prosecco and Cakes.

Luton Airport LADACAN

- We have had recent communication with Andrew Lambourne over noise generated by the new flight paths from Luton Airport. He is very interested to learn of Tim's inside knowledge and Tim is to contact him to see if he can help/advise further in this matter
- **Action – TJ to contact**
- Luton Airport is again considering a second runway which will involve much increased traffic in the surrounding countryside to support the infrastructure if it came to fruition. A note detailing the consultation process has recently been circulated via PNS and it was agreed that all committee members should look at the associated links to give consideration to this matter. If necessary it was considered that we should ask MK to respond on behalf of the Trust
- **Action Committee members to give consideration**

Roles – RR

- RR has produced a document detailing the job spec of the various roles of committee members for consideration by the members of the committee. RR said that HMRC needs to be entered under Treasurer
- RR will arrange a note to be distributed by PNS/Website regarding recruiting a Secretary. to follow up on the one sent out in the Newsletter
- **Action RR to arrange**

## Membership renewals

- RR has prepared a leaflet regarding Membership renewal for this year. This was discussed and some amendments suggested. RR was thanked for all the hard work and time and effort she has spent on this.
- AC to help with drafting wording for a Standing Order and Bank details and also to assist with adding PNS to form
- **Action AC to help draft and contact RR with suggestions**

## Website

- Tim and Wal detailed some problems that they are experiencing with transferring the hosting provider for our Domain. Wal also mentioned that he would like to add a Crossword to the Website and the Committee was happy to pay the nominal sum of circa £40 for the software although there were doubts if people would use it.

## Events

- Barn Dance discussed but PHC have failed to respond to us regarding the use of their Hall and the Head has now effectively left with the new Head not due to take up the role until Easter. After further discussion and considering other options it was agreed that the window for us to put on a Dance this year is no longer feasible. This to be considered for a future time.
- Autumn Talks – Tim has spoken with Les Edwards about possible Speakers as he has numerous connections that he could ask. This was discussed but Richard later mentioned that the Lord Lieutenant for Hertfordshire has commissioned a film entitled County at War which contains footage of Hertfordshire circa WW1 which the committee thought would be very suitable material to use.
- Walks and Talks - Liz has received a good response to the three walks to be arranged this autumn. She wishes to limit numbers to max 25 per walk to ensure it is manageable.
- **Action RR to add something about 'County at War' and LADACAN talk in leaflet**
- **Action WS to inform Ray and Jo Red Lion**

## Requests for Finance

- Awaiting to hear further from Red Lion regarding Book Shelves that they have approached help from the Trust for.
- Cheque to be issued to Hannah Constantinides for £225 re Keyboard for Village Voices.

## GDPR

- Wal reported that there are a few loose ends which need to be tidied which he will arrange.
- **Action WS to arrange**

## Projects

- Items carried over from last meeting but No further action required at moment.

## Next Meeting

- 6 September 8pm at RW's