

**Madeley Living History Project**  
**Minutes of Management Committee 20th April 2017, 7.00pm**  
**Jubilee House**

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**Present:** Jonathan Lloyd (JL), Grant Foden (GF), Rob Pooler (RP), Cllr Robin Coates (RC), Sue Taylor (ST)

**In Attendance:** Andy Rose (AR)

**Apologies:** Keith Osmund Smith (KOS) Cllr. Gill Green (GG), Sue Beech (SB)

**1. Minutes of the last meeting on 21st July 2016**

The minutes were accepted and signed as a true record.

**2. Matters Arising**

AR confirmed that Thomas Parker's name has been chosen by the Street Naming Team at Telford & Wrekin Council for the proposed new housing development on the former Madeley Court school site.

A television programme on the electric cars designed by Thomas Parker has been filmed and will be broadcast in the summer.

**3. Treasurer's Report:**

Report was tabled (see attached)

**4. Update on Madeley Town Council Projects:**

**4i: Anstice Hall:**

AR gave a verbal update:

- Work is still progressing on the Stage 1 HLF application. Deadline **22nd May**.  
Greenwoods QS were employed to give a more accurate cost of the capital work. The capital cost has been estimated at **£1,539,575** and this figure is going to be used for the Stage 1 application. Together with preliminaries, contingencies, staff costs and professional fees, the total is over **£2.6 million**. The HLF monitor Liz Shaw has offered to have a meeting before the application is submitted. This is seen as a positive step.
- An application is also to be submitted to the Architectural Heritage Fund by the 10th May for **£25k** matched funding towards the development stage. Madeley Partnership has also pledged a sum of **£21k**.

- Unfortunately the building has been closed since Christmas as heating and electrics have failed and need to be upgraded. A new boiler has been installed by Taylors.
- Graberns have also carried out improvements to the electrics. The building is due to reopen in June, with the first event, a Film Festival on the **4th June**.
- Lovell's have agreed to paint the hallway for free. This is going to be done in May. This is an interim solution designed to brighten up the entrance ahead of any major refurbishment.
- Further works are also being organised to comply with the fire safety report. This includes additional doors, insulation, lighting and signage.

#### **4ii War Memorial & Commemorative plaque**

After securing a Pride in Your Community High Street grant, the Russell Green area was refurbished during summer 2016. As part of the scheme the war memorial was repositioned into a more visible location and the commemorative paving stone for Major Yate V.C. was installed.

A commemorative service was held on the 26th August 2016 (11.00) to commemorate the 102nd anniversary of the battle of Le Cateau where Major Yate was awarded his VC. It was led by Revs. Walden & Osmund Smith. Reps from both the local regiment and the Yorkshire Rifles also attended. The paving slab was unveiled by Mayor Councillor Rae Evans.

### **5. Update on Madeley History Group projects.**

#### **5i TDC photographic archive.**

All the TDC Madeley photos (around 1,100) have been digitised and catalogued and are now available to view on line on the Shropshire Archives website. See link attached

<http://search.shropshirehistory.org.uk/>

The only outstanding work item is for Shropshire Archives to develop a word-press site so we can provide a link via our MTC website. This has been delayed whilst Shropshire Archives wait for their own web site to be upgraded. All monies have to be spent by the end of June 2017. AR checked budget. There is £1,111.75 left in the budget. AR will chase Mary McKenzie again.

Grant Foden has showcased a selection of the new images at a slideshow at the LHP AGM on the **8th December 2016 (7.00 start)**. **RP** commended the team on their work and thought the presentation was excellent. Grant intends to repeat the slideshow at the Madeley Town Council Annual meeting on the **13th May** at Jubilee House.

### **5ii Community History Day 4th March**

The LHP attended the Community History Day for a second year. RC attended and thought it went very well.

### **5iii Sutton Hill 50th anniversary – 21st February**

John Corrock and Sue Beech attended another event at Sutton Hill Community Centre on the 21st February. AR attended and reported that it was very well received by local people.

## **6. AOB**

### **6i Death of Ivor Brown**

It was noted with sadness that Ivor Brown had died. JL will send a letter of condolence to Ivor's widow on behalf of the Project.

### **6ii Wenlock minute book**

No report as GG not in attendance.

### **6iii Anniversary of the closure of Kemberton colliery**

Talk by Kelvin Lake (in memory of Ivor Brown) taking place at the Glass classroom on the **12th July**.

AR is writing an article for the July edition of Madeley Matters.

### **6iv Bartlam Images**

With the consent of Alan Heighway, AR has been posting all the unidentified Bartlam images onto "Telford Memories" Facebook site. So far around a further 50 have been identified. AR will bring all the paper copies of the images and the pictures that have been identified to the event on the **13th May**.

AR asked if anyone had ideas for future events. AR agreed to contact the Park Lane Centre to see if they had any plans to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Woodside. Plans were published in June 1967 but the first housing was not occupied until 1969 so there is plenty of opportunity to commemorate the event.

## **7. Date of next meeting(s)**

- i. Thursday 17th September (7.00 start )(Jubilee House)**
- ii. Thursday 7th December (7.00 start) (AGM)(Anstice ballroom).**  
**Please forward any suggestions for a speaker.**

Meeting closed at 7.45 pm.