

**Madeley Living History Project**  
**Minutes of Management Committee 21st July 2016, 7.00pm**  
**Jubilee House**

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**Present:** Jonathan Lloyd (JL), Grant Foden (GF), Cllr. Gill Green (GG), Rob Pooler (RP), Sue Beech (SB) Cllr Robin Coates (RC).

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

**Apologies:** Keith Osmund Smith (KOS) Sue Taylor (ST)

**1. Minutes of the last meeting on 10th December 2015**

The minutes were accepted and signed as a true record.

**2. Matters Arising**

AR reported that Thomas Parker's name had been suggested to the Street Naming Team at Telford & Wrekin Council for the proposed new housing development on the former Madeley Court school site.

**3. Treasurer's Report:**

Report was tabled (see attached)

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

**4i: Anstice Hall:**

The Town Council has been awarded a 'Start Up' grant of £7,600 from the Heritage Lottery Fund. This grant will pay for training for ACT trustees and volunteers and will also fund a Business Plan.

The other major milestone is that the Town Council is on the point of signing a 'Licence to Occupy' with ACT. Once this is in place, the Anstice ballroom can be open more frequently for fundraising events and some private hire. To help this to happen, the Town Council has created a new post of 'Project Support Officer' for 2 years. Brenda Smith has been appointed and started last week.

Future fund raising events include:-

- **Volunteers get-together – 2nd August**
- **Victorian Fayre – 14th August**
- **Joshua Sole & the Kooz Gig – 27th August (provisional)**
- **Walk for the Anstice – 11th September**
- **Christmas Lights – 3rd December**
- **Soul Night – 17th December (provisional)**
- **Jackfield Band Christmas Concert – 18th December (provisional)**

The Ballroom floor has been renovated by CMT flooring paid for by ACT's fundraising efforts.

A display of the work done by students from the University of Wolverhampton is due to be displayed at the Anstice on the 14th August. It will include scaled architectural site and working models, presentation poster boards, technical documentation and interactive virtual reality models.

The final report of the Options Appraisal by PCPT architects is due to be completed by the end of July.

After the last meeting, AR visited the IGMT library to look at the material that was donated by David Anstice. There was nothing specifically relevant to Anstice Hall.

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

The bid made to Telford & Wrekin Council Pride in your Community High Street fund was successful. Eventually reverted back to Madeley Town Council as the accountable body, as the State Aid rules were deemed not to be relevant. This freed up extra money as VAT is no longer payable.

Work started in June on the scheme. A specialist stonemason was brought in to reinstate the memorial. The square is currently being paved. Very pleased with the standard of work to date. Due to be completed at the end of July.

A commemorative service is planned for the 26th August (11.00) which is the 102nd anniversary of the battle of Le Cateau where Major Yate was awarded his VC. It will be led by Rev. Walden. Reps will attend from both the local regiment and the Yorkshire Rifles.

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

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

The Lottery bid was successful. 5 volunteers are being trained up. The first phase of the work which involved the cataloguing of the photos has been completed.

The next phase involves the digitising of the photos followed by the cropping and final preparation of each image.

JL is co-ordinating the preparation of a rota. It is agreed that 2 people attend each session. It would be much harder for an individual to work alone so the preference is to go in pairs. RC and JC need to feed through their availability to JL.

AR reminded the volunteers to keep a record of visits and retain paperwork if they want to claim expenses.

It is suggested that a display of the photographs which is specified in the Lottery grant is built into the next meeting on the **8th December (7.00 start)**. The meeting can also be used as the AGM.

#### **5ii Community History Day 8th March**

SB reported that the Community History Day at Wellington Library went very well. They had a lot of interest in their display and they made some new contacts.

**5iii Sutton Hill 50th anniversary – 16th July 2016.**

SB reported that the event had gone very well. A lot in interest in their presentation prepared by John Corrock and the Tuesday Group members. A number of the Sutton Hill books had been sold.

**6. New Projects**

**6ii John Rylands Library, Univ. of Manchester**

No further progress. AR will contact the Library to find out if the project is still going to be progressed.

**6iii Wenlock minute book**

Much Wenlock Council have been advised that the Town Council is willing to consider a grant application towards the restoration of the Minute book. Our next Leisure Committee is the 19<sup>th</sup> September so the application would need to be submitted to us by the 12<sup>th</sup> September to get on the agenda.

**7. AOB**

No report.

**9. Date of next meeting(s)**

**i. Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December (7.00 start )(AGM)**

The Marks Room at Jubilee House is already booked so it is suggested that the AGM is held in the Anstice. A fee will need to be paid for hire of the ballroom. As discussed earlier it is an opportunity to present the TDC archive work.

Meeting closed at 8.15 pm.