

**Minutes of the Public Meeting of Madeley Living History Project,  
held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2002  
at Jubilee House, 74 High Street Madeley, commencing at 7.30.**

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**1. Present: -**

**1.1 Madeley Parish Council**

Cllr Peter Taylor (Chair), Cllr Rae Holden, Cllr John Battye, Cllr J Sheldon, Cllr Gill Green, Kath Petty (Clerk) Pat McCarthy (Project Officer), Fay Bailey (Living History Project Manager), Julie Jones (Admin Assistant)

**1.2 Living History Project Management Group**

Jonathon Lloyd, Cllr Dave Davies (T&W), Frances Jones, Marylin Higson

**1.3 Representatives from**

Madeley Third Age, Madeley Pre School Playgroup, The Crafties, Madeley & District Watercolour Painting Club, Ironbridge Gorge Museum (Blists Hill), Woodside Asian Women's Group, Madeley Library, Madeley Local Studies Group, Madeley Centre NEAT Group, 1<sup>st</sup> Madeley Brownies, Madeley Scribblers, Madeley Age Concern Lunch Club, WEA Active Retirement Group, 1<sup>st</sup> Sutton Hill Guides, 1<sup>st</sup> Woodside Brownies, Chilcott Gardens Extra Care Charitable Trust, Hills Lane Family Groups, WEA Telford and Wrekin Branch, Woodside Family Groups, Telford and District Cats Protection League.

**1.4 Quilt Project Volunteers**

Sue Smith, Pat Robinson

**1.5 Members of the Public**

**2. Welcome**

Cllr Peter Taylor welcomed everybody and introduced 1st Woodside Brownies who entertained the meeting with some of their songs.

**3. Display of the Quilt**

Cllr Taylor invited Sue Smith and Pat Robinson to unveil the quilt for public display. Sue Smith and Pat Robinson were thanked for all their hard work in assembling the component parts of the quilt into the finished article and presented with a bouquet of flowers.

**4. Presentations**

The groups who had contributed individual squares to the quilt were thanked and invited to receive a certificate.

**5. Adoption of the Constitution**

Cllr Taylor spoke to the meeting about the Living History Project, how it had been operating since September 2001.

The project aims to bring people together to research and celebrate aspects of life in Madeley Parish, taking inspiration from Madeley's past and also to initiate projects that involve the contemporary community and its place in the future history

of the area. The quilt project, in which those present at the meeting had been involved, was an example of the work that the project could facilitate.

He explained that the Project is currently funded by Madeley Parish Council, who are committed to support the project for three years. He further explained that in the long term, it was hoped that the project would achieve independence from the Parish Council and was already operating under the guidance of a Management Group. The representatives of the Management Group were introduced to the meeting.

Cllr Taylor went on to inform the meeting of the intention to apply for Charitable Status and the need to gain public support for this step. He told the meeting of a need to adopt a constitution that would be approved by the Charities Commission and asked the meeting to consider whether or not they would support this development.

The meeting was then asked for a show of hands on

1. If they supported for the adoption of the constitution with a view to applying for Charitable Status.
2. If they did not support the proposal
3. If they had no views either for or against.

The meeting voted overwhelmingly in favour of the adoption of the constitution. There were no votes against and one abstention.

Cllr Taylor thanked the meeting for their support and formally closed the meeting at 8.30pm.