

Minutes of meeting held on 20th February 2023

Apologies, Mick, Linda, Marc

Minutes of meeting held on the 9th January 2023 Approved

Helen updated on the current situation, John Keast had heard back from Stags Estate Agents, who are still sorting out issues. 'We are at their mercy'.

Carol emailed the head of the Methodists, but as yet has not received a reply. Sylvia reported that she has made contact with Barry West, and link to Paul Holden property officer. Confirmed how difficult it was dealing with Methodists.

Also made contact with David Oats who dealt with acquisition of Helland Chapel, his son is also a journalist and could be useful in publicising our efforts.

Brian pointed out that the delay was to our advantage, as it gives us time to secure grants.

Appointment of Negotiator

Proposal to appoint John Keast as our negotiator. He has agreed to help us and will charge as necessary. Proposed Carol. Seconded Fay.

Solicitor

Brian updated

Searches are being done and as yet no issues have been identified.

No further information on the historic pathway, the original indenture documents [sale contract] identify the path from Institute Lane up to the gate, and that the Chapel has to maintain said path. It was identified for use by horse, cart and users unhindered, but only a presumption that it's route extended to Chapel Road. Which would seem logical. It was discussed that getting the path officially registered would act as a deterrent to any potential purchaser.

Ramblers offered support, and John Keast may be able to offer advise.

It was agreed to pursue the path's official registration and Adam agreed to look into applying to Cornwall Council.

Action Adam

Funding

Brian updated on the current progress with applications.

1. Community Ownership Fund [Gov] £75k +£75k match funding, last communication 15th Feb no indication of when.

We have to identify the match funding so will need to formally record [from the start] all donations, donation pledges, gifts in kind [such as donated goods, free use of venues, volunteer time, other grants etc].

Action Sheila, Carol

- 2. CLUP [Cornwall Council] gueries raised and answered, 8th Feb under assessment, [£1.885m fund £9.5m applications] Approval by end March. Jenny Cruse is supporting us in the Cornwall Council bids and talking to the relevant people.
- 3. Cornwall Councillor Community Chest, Jenny Cruse approved £300.
- 4. Cornwall Good Growth new funding stream Community Organisation Fund. [£2.7m]. We have received approval to bid, min £200k Max £800k, closing date 24th July with a review point on 30th May. The problem with this is whether we are or not successful with our initial bid for the purchase money, we should hopefully know by the end of March so will need to submit our bid early April, for all refurbishment costs.
- 5. Parish Council, request for grant funding submitted via Helen in her Parish Council role. Need to resubmit direct to the Clerk. **Action Brian**
- 6. Lanivet United Charities, grant request submitted via Kathryn as a Trustee of the Charity. Important to have an indication of the amounts of any intended Grants as they will go towards match funding and any gaps between the £200k Council Grant and the Purchase price [£220k]. **Action Kathryn** To identify amount and agreed that it would only be paid towards an agreed purchase.

Treasurer

Sheila reported that we have raised substantial funds through our fundraising events and together with donation pledges are in a position to cover any shortfall in grant funding and purchase price. NB Document required setting out our funds in relation to match funding.

Next Step...

Fundraising, more donations, publicity.

A social fundraising meeting was set for the 15th March, to discuss and organise upcoming events. **Action Fundraising Team** Need to check with School and OneForAll on their events programmes, so we don't clash. **Action Sue**

Donations, some additional possibilities were discussed together with the possibility of asking for Loans.

Action Brian Create a document based on the donation pledge. To get loan pledges. **Action Fay** To follow up on some possibilities.

Need to action publicity around the Chapel belonging to the Communities and show our passion to fight for it. Especially when the 'FOR SALE' sign is put up. Adam has a contact via Newquay Orchards who may be able to assist/advise on publicity.

Action Adam

PLAN B

The Trust can continue, but some modification of the Constitution would be required. Venues like the Church and School could be used, with funding raised also being used to support modifications to those venues.

No other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Date of next meeting 20th March 2023.