

Actions from the Bawtry and Austerfield 20:20 Steering Group held on Monday 6 February 2017

Present:

Stewart Cresswell; Tony Jones; Edwin Marrison; John Linsley; David Kirkham; Margaret Byrne; Gilbert Budgen; Jason Cooper; Ross Jarvie; Sarah White and Rachael Blake

Apologies were received from Sue Hughes from Austerfield Study Centre and Sophie Anderson (DMBC)

1. John Chaired the meeting and following introductions, the terms of reference were discussed and agreed as:

Bawtry 20:20

Bawtry Town Council, Bawtry Residents Group, Visit Bawtry (BRA), DMBC and residents will work together to achieve our vision of celebrating our rich heritage from the Pilgrim Fathers to the present day. We will seek funding and sponsorship to develop the town and adopt an incremental plan, starting in 2017 and working towards 2020(Mayflower 400) and beyond. We will use #Visit Bawtry (20:20) to promote our work. Bawtry Town Council will submit bids on the groups' behalf. Any interested resident or organisation is welcome to join the group.

2. The outline vision was supported by everyone with slight changes been made. We agreed that for 2017, we would aim to have a heritage weekend in July. Added to the activities for 2018 onwards is a pageant highlighting the number of people that have passed through Bawtry. We will include the synod that took place in 820 at which the date for Easter was agreed and investigate whether Bawtry can be part of the Lincolnshire aviation trail.

3. Leads were agreed for each of the actions for 2017:

- Jason and Stewart – Bawtry Hall/War Room; Rachael to speak to Mayflower school regarding an intergenerational project
- Jason – identify digital media opportunities
- Margaret and David – leaflet and signs/information boards
- Tony – Murder Mystery event at the Theatre
- John – to seek agreement from Bawtry Town Council to be the lead partner and submit outline bid to the Heritage Lottery
- Margaret and Rachael – Visitor Centre

4. Additional actions

- Gilbert to speak to Brian Hancock for suitable water colour images of Bawtry
- Ross and Sarah will be the conduit with the retailers
- Rachael to investigate brown signs

The next meeting will be arranged once we have a response from the Heritage Lottery.