

BAWTRY HERITAGE MINUTES

21ST JANUARY 2019

PRESENT: Sylvia Johnson, John Hall, Tony Jones, David Kirkham, John-Linsley, Alan-Claypole, Maria-Claypole, Sandy Young, Stewart Cresswell, Derek Eldridge, Margaret Byrne, Rachael Blake.

APOLOGIES: Sue Hughes, Peter Holland, Sue Allan, Richard Young.

A memory stick containing Census Returns for Bawtry, from 1841 to 1911 were given by David Kirkham to Margaret Byrne to copy onto Library computer.

Planning Permission is required for the siting of the Lectern on Market Hill, as the council get a 50% discount on planning, Bawtry Town Council has agreed to apply in their name with the Heritage Group repaying the council and taking responsibility for its upkeep.

The new council notice board on Market Hill is this month being installed by North Notts Landscaping it was suggested we use the same company for the siting of the Heritage Board.

A frame has been purchased for the 1902 map of Bawtry we need a place in the library to hang it.

It was suggested that we advertise a time in the library when anyone can ask for help in locating ancestors etc Maria offered to assist with Margaret and Derek to agree on timings.

The Cooperative Society is sponsoring the Bawtry Heritage Group in fund raising, if any members know of anyone who has a coop membership tell them to go on line and select the Bawtry Heritage Group as their charity of choice. This is very worthwhile, and we hope many people will support the group.

Tony Jones agreed to talk to talk to Jonah Thompson re the Youth Theatre to do a re-enactment on a part of Bawtry's history (not the Pilgrim Story) to coincide with Bawtry Sports Day in June.

We understand Rupert is to give a talk on Bawtry Heritage at the Women's Institute, can he therefore advertise the Heritage Group and its aims.

Margaret and Sue Hughes have produced notes on Austerfield's history together they exceed the space available on the leaflet, David Kirkham to do a word count and assist in reducing text.

Sue mentions Austerfield are doing their own leaflet and this will appear in The Austerfield Telephone Box.

John Hall received a quotation from Austerfield's printing firm at £390.00 + Vat for 5,000 it was suggested a quote for 10,000 would be required.

Locations for siting of maps were suggested, Richard Young to be asked if some could go in Doncaster Tourist Office.

Tony Jones will write a children's leaflet on Bawtry's History draft to be presented at next meeting.

The Market Hill Cross survey is being done to see what work needs to be done to restore it, it has suffered damage from vehicles and vandals over the year and is an important part of Bawtry's Heritage. Resubmission of application for a Heritage Lottery Grant would wait until proper costings on the Cross were received.

The previous lottery bid application is to be circulated to all members and reviewed with an aim of reapplying.

The repositioning for the War Memorial though slow is an ongoing process it is hoped by Alan that it will be on its new site by Summer 2019.

Alan to look at a link to the Heritage from the Bawtry Town Council Website, also the Bawtry Retail Association to be asked to display the trail on their website, approach also to DMBC via Ricard Young.

It was suggested we look at how many of the photographs of Old Bawtry we can lawfully use to produce a calendar for 2020 to sell for Heritage Funds.

John had nothing to report of the balance of the funds held there being no change since the last meeting.

Sylvia had at her own expense had the sale of Bawtry Hall and its environs in 1905 copied to a USB the original documents are held by her family. This is a valuable source of social history and will be downloaded on to one of the computers in the library. Many thanks to Sylvia.

John Linsley to pursue his conversation with James Tomlinson over the empty premises vacated by Bliss Travel.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.15.

Next Meeting February 25th 1900 hrs