

Whittlesey Mud Walls Group c/o The Town Hall Market Street Whittlesey Peterborough PE7 1BD

Minutes for 5<sup>th</sup> July + update.

1 Present - Mesdames: Phillips, Prebble.

Messrs: Shearing, Phillips, Boddington, Hancock, Prebble, Green. Apologies - Barback, Whitwell.

2 Minutes for 7<sup>th</sup> June (Meeting & AGM) - These were signed as a true record.

3 Civic Day results - We consider our wall tours to have been a successful event. The extremely hot day did have an effect, as we were all unable to complete the full route due to exhaustion. However, we had 19 guests, who gave us good feedback and were very interested, and one who later sent us a donation, which was an unexpected surprise. We agreed that we would do it again, as it's felt to be a good educational tool for us, and that next time we'll do one walk of 2hrs. Duration, to be able to answer questions en route and complete the tour.

4 Status of survey - This is our most important task to date and what we originally set out to do. The surveying was done a while ago, and I've now cross-referenced with the old surveys to make sure we haven't missed any. We've received some printing quotes, and our current local funding applications will hopefully provide the ability to complete this. I now have all the documentation on my computer and am working through the information for each wall. I'll be getting assistance from Robert and David to finalise the templates for them and we've agreed that we should have this in pdf form to be assessed by the end of September, and then get it to print.

5 Richard / Janet - Our Chairman & Treasurer told us that the Glassmore application went in on time, and that the decision would be made at the meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> July. We'll let you know the answer at the next meeting. The Burnthouse application required us to set up a number of policies to their satisfaction - Safeguarding, Health & Safety, and Equality. These had received input from most of the committee and were ultimately approved.

6 Katie - Katie was unable to make our meeting, so I haven't been able to get an update of the work that's currently being done at the Black Bull. At this stage, we don't know if this will all be done in time for us to take part in the Whittlesey Festival, so we'll hope to get an answer at the next meeting.

7 Festival - As mentioned, there are doubts about whether we'll be able to use the Black Bull car park at this years Festival. We're investigating options. We'll hopefully have an answer at the next meeting.

8 Jenny - Unable to attend the meeting, I've caught up with Jenny at the museum since. For one of the forthcoming displays at the museum, Jenny is arranging with us to have a mud wall display between Dec.2017 & Feb.2018. We'll let you know further details at later meetings. Jenny also agreed to think about activities we could put on in the future, to continue to involve the public and help ensure the mud walls don't get forgotten. She will tell us of her ideas at a forthcoming meeting.

9 AOB - If you've received your copy of the current Discovering Whittlesea, you should have seen the results of the neighbourhood plan, specifically, statements about Heritage. The majority of responses were in favour of protecting and maintaining mud walls, which is encouraging, but give negative or unsure responses to volunteering to help.

Next meeting - Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at 10.30am.

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