



## *Pearson Trust Working Group*

*May 2017*



### **Minutes of the Pearson Trust Working Group Meeting**

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 Gressingham Hall 7:30 pm.**

#### **1. Apologies**

Members present: Jane Paxman, David Wiper, Alice Helyar, Moyra Jacques, Debbie Robinson and Michael Hampson  
Apologies for absence received: George Metcalfe

#### **2. Minutes from last PTWG meeting**

Minor amendments made during meeting.

#### **3. Minutes from April village meeting**

Minor amendments made during meeting.

#### **4. Actions and Matters Arising from Last PTWG Meeting**

The OSR Trustees and Management Committee have instructed JWK to proceed. Action: Jane to follow up

Jane completed the completion report for the Pre-feasibility Grant. All the grant has been used. PC to keep records for six years as audit requirement.

#### **5. Village Consultation / April exhibition**

Discussion held over feedback from the exhibition in the form of the attendance record, voting outcome and feedback forms.

45% of the number of villagers on the electoral role attended the exhibition. Options 4 and 6 of the architect's plans were the most popular; 88% of votes in favour of doing something. This was agreed a sufficiently strong mandate to continue with the project.

Comments from feedback forms to be addressed by PTWG:

- a. Use of renewables – need to do further work on the heating strategy.
- b. Funding shortfall – need to identify other sources of funding and ensure there is the capital to complete the project. Only do the scale of works that the capital allows. Some grants may not fund the project if it goes through the faculty, rather than community right to build.
- c. Economic viability and business model – is the rental of two flats sufficient to fund the building?
- d. Parking.



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Agreed to send out the posters as reduced size (A5) copies in a Gressingham edition of Wagtail to all households within the parish. To include copies of plan options 4 and 6.

Next steps:

- a. Parking – commence discussions with the council;
- b. Costs – start considering additional sources of funding to proceed with options 4 and 6.

### **6. Future funding**

The same Department for Communities and Local Government grant programme (administered by Groundwork UK) that awarded PTWG £10,000 in early 2017, can award grants of up to £40k which can be awarded in several stages through the life of the project, that enables projects to proceed to the planning permission submission stage. The village needs to put up at least 10% of the money.

Action: Jane to contact Sir Nick Pearson and facilitate discussion between the OSR Trustees, PCC and potentially Gressingham Fellowship, about part-funding the next stage of work.

### **7. Statement of Significance**

The statement of significance has been sent to Historic England for comment, as requested. There may now start a discussion with HE regarding the changes that we would like to consider.

### **8. External meetings**

The Community Right to Build group – 24<sup>th</sup> May 10am at Morecambe Town Hall.

Action: Michael to set up a further meeting with the Archdeacon regarding the faculty process.

Action: Michael to send Tony Baldry a copy of the statement of significance for his comment.

### **9. Date of the Next Meeting**

14<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 7:30pm Gressingham Hall.