



Pearson Trust Working Group

November 2017



Minutes of the Pearson Trust Working Group Meeting

Date: 29th November 2017 Gressingham Hall 7:30 pm.

1. Apologies

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

2. Minutes from last PTWG meeting

Minutes from last meeting were accepted. No changes.

3. Actions and Matters Arising from Last PTWG Meeting

Michael contacted a salvage expert/stone mason to discuss the Marton Tomb – There is not space to cut or lift off, therefore the tomb cannot be moved. It cannot be disassembled up in such a way that it can be reconstituted at any reasonable cost. Could save the text and samples of the decoration and erect as memorials around the church.

Actions still to be followed up:

- a. Consultation with the War Memorials Trust to discuss the plaque on the organ - Jane has a contact to follow for this;
- b. Jane to contact Mike Darwell regarding the costs for the Heritage Assessment to be done by Marion Barter; and
- c. Follow up JWK CIO and OSR ownership.

4. Members of the PTWG

Options for a new member of the PTWG to fill the vacancy left by the recent loss of George Metcalfe were considered. The Chairman of the PTWG will follow up.

5. Stakeholder Meeting

The stakeholder meeting is to be held on Thursday 7th December at 1pm.

Summary of attendees at the meeting. Historic England representative, Marie Smallwood would not be present (due to lack of funding), however, comments have been requested prior to the meeting and they would be represented in the meeting.

Order of events: Set up the church in the same way as for village exhibition. Set up from Monday 4th onwards. Request that the OSR is setup with a rectangle of tables around which all attendees (No. 20) could sit. Display boards sourced from Hornby Institute. Refreshments



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including tea, biscuits/cake during the meeting, plus a bowl of soup beforehand for people that have travelled far.

The event starting in the church where everyone will see the exhibition that was displayed for the village consultation. A formal meeting will be held in the Old School Room from 2 pm onwards to discuss the proposals. Sir Nick Pearson will introduce the project, Jane Paxman to give overview of the project and chair the meeting.

Discuss the Statement of Significance and ask each person to comment on it. This will be followed by a discussion on the Statement of Need.

Run through the development options, practical issues and how the church would be used in the future, where we would like to achieve a flexible space, with the addition of small meeting space and services downstairs with additional, optional mezzanine floor space above.

Next steps: The attendees will be asked to respond formally in writing.

6. Grant Application for Pre-application Work

Jane has sought advice from Mike Darwell regarding the potential budget required for a planning application/faculty, which was approx. £40,000. This includes development of design ideas in more detail (options 3, 4 and 6), which would approximately cost £15,500 – needs to be done to standard of Reeber Level 4 for DAC to accept. Also includes development of a business plan to demonstrate how the project is viable, and money for HE consultations and further village consultations/exhibitions and to prep other information for the Faculty. May need 10% funding from the village bodies (PCC, Trustees of the OSR, the Fellowship and Sir Nick Pearson).

7. Date of the Next Meeting

7th December 2017 Church and OSR (1pm).