IHBC EAST MIDLANDS BRANCH MEETING

Friday 5th April 2019

At: 10:30am Collyweston Slate Heritage Centre, PE9 3PQ

Minutes

Attendees:

Liz Mayle          Alex Stevenson          Rose Thompson
Chris McKinney    Emilie Carr             Roy Lewis
Chris Perkins     Elizabeth Sharples     Peter Chowns
John Copping     Justin Webber           Kerry Walmsley
Joanna Horton    Frances Maria Peacock   Matt Webster
Sam Peppin-Vaughan       Paul Grundy            Emilie Wales
Tyler Barton

1. Apologies:

Jason Mordan         Ros Worrall         Rob Walker
Jane Tricker        Alice Ullathorne
Chris Collison     Chloe Oswald
Victoria Mellor    Fiona Newton

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting & Matters Arising

Agreed

3. Updates:

i. Annual School 2019.
JW – chair of organising committee - All speakers have been secured. Great line up. Events taking place on 4th – 6th July in Nottingham at Notting Trent Conference Facility. Having our first ever bike tour. Early bird ends on 20th April. On Tuesday 7th May we are having a free pre-Annual School event, with two good speakers at the Urban Room in Nottingham. 


Details of all the talks and tours etc are available online. 

https://www.ihbc.org.uk/nottingham2019/

ii. Consistency in Decision Making

It was discussed if we could hold this event alongside AGM in September, however as we have annual school on better to focus on this. It was agreed to hold this as an additional event suggest October/November.

EW agenda item July’s Committee

iii. Bursary

3 day school places available to members. Also national bursary places available. Get applying if you meet the criteria.

RT reserve 3 day school places at early bird price

EW to share with members

4. Chair’s Report & Business Plan

Not much to update than has already been said about Annual School and next item Septembers AGM.

i. Vacant branch positions

Derby Advisory Committee
Derbyshire County Rep
Branch Education Rep
Leicester Advisory Committee

CM to add these to the next bulletin

5. September AGM
Venue ideas suggested:

a) Chester Farm – edge of Wellingborough with possible use of Rushden Lakes Conference Facility.
b) Delapre Abbey (Northampton)
c) Bolsover Castle & New Bolsover

LM to make contact with these to investigate, feedback at next meeting.

6. Treasurer’s Report

Current Account £2439.29 Reserve ?
Charles Mynors has not yet requested payment. Receipts to those who attended have been sent.
Process to change signatories has started EW and LM need to take identification to the bank.

7. Branch Reps Report

Last meeting was 14th Feb but RT was unable to attend. Updates that the curtilage guidance is now online, offers an alternative response to HE on the Jews Farm case. London Branch had a planning inspector give a talk. Next event is 2nd May with inbuilt MATE membership event.

i. Council+ up to 5 EM delegates
Topic was discussed and Alice, Emilie, Liz have put their name forward.

EW to let Lydia know

8. Membership Report

One new full member application. End of March we had 5 non-renewals mostly due to retirement. 195 members in total. 3 new affiliate members since last meeting.

JM to email new application for assessment
LM email welcome to new members

9. County Rep’s Reports
Leicestershire –
Positive talks ongoing at 30yrs+ at risk Bradgate stables. Leicester PSiCA now approved. Replacement Conservation Officer post to be advertised later this month. Position free for IHBC rep on Leicester Conservation Advisory Panel. Future Highstreets application has been submitted by Hinckley and Bosworth Council. Kerry Walker from SK is doing CAAs though shared services in Rutland.

Lincolnshire – written report

Nottinghamshire – written report

Derbyshire – n/a

Northamptonshire –

DDC – Overstone Hall application being reconsulted for extra information that has come in. Currently enabling development application that will be considered with an LBC application.

SNC – SNC is separating from Cherwell DC. Works continue with the provision of Article 4 Directions. A Pre-app for the reinstatement of the Grand Union Canal – Buckingham arm has been submitted.

NBC – Local heritage list is making progress, the selection panel is in place and selection criteria have been adopted. There are currently 70 town centre buildings that would be locally listed. CAAs for the Derngate and Barratt Road are being updated. Works to the Eleanor Cross will begin in April. As scheme for the retention of only the façade of the fire damaged Angel Hotel should be refused, HE is funding a structural survey.

NCC – Archaeology reports coming in include Satra House in Kettering and 9 Mill Road. In Ecton a fish and eel pass archaeology survey revealed the floors and footprint of a leather mill with the further remains of a medieval mill beneath. EA are now changing their plans.

BCW – Hind Hotel has been awarded a grant by the HLF, works to start in early 2019. The THI scheme is due to end in October 2019. The pre app for the railway station is completed and an application for the alterations to the canopies and the goods shed is expected soon.

10. Communications Officer
i. Bulletin
Next Bulletin will advertise vacant posts, bursary, and curtilage guidance.
ii. Twitter
Photos from today will be going online. Twitter will continue to be used mainly to promote annual school but also branch events.

11. Any Other Business
non

12. Date of Next Meeting:

9 July – 7pm at The Organ Grinder, 21 Portland Street, Newark, NG24 4XF
Written Reports:

**Nottinghamshire**

Notts Conservation Officers Forum met in January in Nottingham (reported at last meeting). Next meeting will be in July, hosted by Bassetlaw DC in Retford.

Staff changes:

Mark Wilkinson has joined Bassetlaw DC in place of Simon Britt (who has joined Pegasus). Gedling BC are (once again) without a conservation officer. Aimee Dobb (BDC) is doing one day a week at Ashfield (continuing the arrangement that Simon undertook).

**Lincolnshire:**

Last meeting was held in NELC 22nd March, visit to Kasbah PSiCA.

**WL**

15hrs advertised – no applicants. Liz has agreed to train someone as help is still required. Gainsborough scheme ongoing, R2 TH to be submitted end of May. Oliver (Planning Manager) has left – Russel has been made interim.

**NEL**

Capital funded at risk ‘easy wins’ nearly complete, slate sharpening stone, Cenotaph, cemetery gates and Welholme Galleries almost complete. 2 controversial DM application in Art College not moved (looking at alternative proposal as likely to refuse) and Cooperage requested alterations to make it acceptable.

TH - has lots of interest from business owners. Volunteer/heritage stewards also going well. 3 larger projects are going to be difficult to bring forward, Dolphin, Empire and Baptist Church.

HAZ – Kasbah accept accountable body status is at cabinet 10th April. Currently out to tender for historic Vessels. Ice Factory condition survey ongoing. Peterson’s development appraisal and activities plan out to tender.

Heritage Open Day – multiple venues in Grimsby including Kasbah and Cleethorpes.

**Lincoln**

Sincil Street now has tenant moving in

Just had a successful Design Awards event, winners Signet/Corn Exchange/University.

Cathedral Connected ongoing.

Local list being complied but not to include archaeology.
Looking into CAs, City is too large so will be split into character areas, likely that the Brayford are will be removed.

ARCHES is working really well especially the cases section which is available on android app to notes can be typed on site.

East of England BPT are interested in Harliquin.

St. Marys Cottages saved from demolition.

**County Council**

EUS project ongoing – 10 towns in the historic county.

**Boston**

PSiCA – 3 building left to complete, 2 on site and at design stage.

TH – needs to get going, only just in post so will start to build up interest over coming months.

Mary is scaling back, reshuffle in LA, MB has advised that internal CO would be preferable.

**East Lindsey**

Not yet recruited to post. MB has been giving advice on selective DM and enforcement. Looks to be having a reshuffle internally.

**North K**

New conservation areas in Beckingham and Silk Willoughby go out to public consultation today, and I’m now starting revision of the Waddington CA, last looked at in the 1970s.

We have had approved in principle, but haven’t yet had final approval of, a £25,000 budget for heritage grants across the district which will start next month.

Another four or five buildings will be going to the next panel meeting for the Partnership Scheme in Conservation Areas next week. That should, more or less, use up the remaining budget.

**Heritage Lincolnshire**

Caistor Co-op group looking to submit an application for High Street Funding August.

HODs planning going well magazines to be posted soon.

Kathryn’s post is in last year of funding but has been invited back to apply for additional years.

Old Kings Head is going well.
Greyfryers to be submitted May.

LIZ BATES IS LEAVING TO JOIN INVEST SK – last day 8th June conference.

**Historic England**

Restructure continuing.

April move to Birmingham.

4 teams, team leads Ben Robinson, Louisa Moore and others currently recruiting.

New guidance on HER Spec, Reduce Fire in Thatch and insurance for Historic Buildings.

**Any Other Business**

LM raised if anyone had checked blue triangles on HE website as has noticed several are wrong. Others not noticed it as a specific problem, but would investigate. To send any issues to HE for minor amendments.