

## **NEW BOLSOVER JOINT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE**

Minutes of a meeting of the New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee of the Bolsover District Council held in Bainbridge Hall, Carr Vale, Bolsover on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 1000 hours.

### **PRESENT:-**

Members:-

Councillor T. Munro in the Chair

Councillors J Clifton, Councillor H Gilmour

Friends of New Bolsover:-

S. Sparks-Green and Martin Green

Officers:-

P. Campbell (Joint Head of Housing and Community Safety), K. Wyatt (Conservation Manager), M. Dungworth (Strategic Repairs Manager), C. Baker (Contract Administrator/Building Surveyor), M. Phillips (Clerk of Works), E. Owen (Home Improvement Coordinator), A. Brownsword (Senior Governance Officer) and L. Robinson (Accountancy Assistant)

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R.J. Bowler, M.J. Ritchie, M Dixey, J.Wilson, S.Peake and A. Syrett.

### **2. URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business.

### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **4. MINUTES - 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2018**

Moved by Councillor T Munroe and seconded by Councillor J Clifton

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of a meeting of the New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee held on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2018 be approved as a true and correct record.

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### **5. NEW BOLSOVER HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND PROJECT**

#### **1. Building/Technical Work Update**

The Contract Administrator/Building Surveyor gave an update that there had been an increase in handovers, they were about half the way through handing properties back to tenants. It was explained that Stage 4 was nearly complete and had been seen by the tenants who were very happy, as it had potentially saved them up to half the amount on their energy bills. Some tenants had received up to £120.00 back for the quarter on their energy bills.

The bedrooms had been laid out really well and it was explained that the New Bolsover Partnership group was welcome to go and view them when convenient. An update was given that there had been some handovers completed last week, with the properties being at a standard quality when they were handed over and now all defects were being dealt with. The Friends of New Bolsover explained that the tenants were very happy in the houses.

The Joint Head of Housing and Community Safety explained that the Contract Administrator/Building Surveyor had completed many handovers smoothly and that the speed of this process was picking up.

The Friends of New Bolsover People explained that workers on site were polite and helpful and would help and resolve most of the problems that were asked of them. The Contract Administrator/Building Surveyor then went on to explain that the management team were putting more effort in and this would help things increase going forward.

Members asked if the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) should be invited to see the new tenants and buildings so they could see where there money had been spent.

The Conservation Manager then explained that HLF are very keen for a valuation consultant to come in. Questionnaires had been circulated through the community for their views and comments with a view to producing a quarterly newsletter. Members felt that the Council needed to promote itself more and that contact should be made with local newspapers and an article placed in InTouch.

*The Home Improvement Coordinator entered the meeting.*

The Home Improvement coordinator explained that the Council needed to look at all aspects involved e.g. boiler, windows etc. and that there had been a few issues with private housing, which were currently being addressed with Woodhead's.

The Friends Of New Bolsover explained that unfortunately you can tell which were Council and which are Private and some of the snagging had not yet been carried out on Private properties. The Contract Administrator/Building Surveyor and The Conservation Manager explained that these issues were being addressed.

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The Chair suggested that the Group communicate with the Developer about the issues. The Joint Head of Housing and Community Safety explained that the Council could write to them expressing concerns.

The Joint Head of Housing and Community Safety informed the meeting that New Bolsover had won a regional environment award and then they were entered into the overall award and won that as well (Forum of Built Environ) and this should be publicised this through Bolsover District Council Communications Team. Friends of New Bolsover asked the group if it would be possible to have a copy of the Certificate to put into the House in New Bolsover.

### **Community Engagement**

The Conservation Manager explained that Simon Redding was in the process of completing a report on the Hub and Active Derbyshire had been doing some work with the funding and now it needs to be prioritised to re develop the Hub in the New Year.

The Conservation Manager also explained that Partnership Consultant Programme Manager will produce a report to the Partnership Board regarding heritage projects. Junction Arts would be able to use funding for training.

### **Community Film**

The Chair suggested that the film be shown at the next meeting of the Group.

Friends of New Bolsover people explained that they had recently had Elastic FM on site commencing interviews with Dave Turner as he spoke about the project and it was a very good and positive interview all round and they were now in negotiations to have a show produced in the house.

The Conservation Manager explained that Community House application for change of use has been submitted.

The Contract Administrator/Building Surveyor then explained that they are looking to create a virtual reality set for the Community House, with examples from past to present. This would also mean that Woodhead's will benefit from the public interest.

The Conservation Manager explained there would be be meeting with Woodhead's on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018 to look through historic photos of the interiors and they would like to ask older residents to reconstruct how the house was laid out in the olden days.

The Chair commented on how well the Heritage open day was it was a superb day with a great turn out.

### **History Group**

The Conservation Manager explained that a meeting had been held at Bolsover Castle to look an exhibition of the model village.

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Friends of New Bolsover People felt that there should be a brown sign for Bolsover Model Village and tourist leaflets and the Conservation Manager explained that the Council should produce an information resource pack for local schools to encourage them to visit the house. It was suggested that guided walks with accompanying leaflets could be produced.

### **Community House**

It was noted that a planning application for change of use had been submitted to the Council.

Friends of New Bolsover explained that over the Christmas period the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor would be turned into a Christmas Santa's Grotto with Santa, Craft Stalls and an outside projector on the 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December at 5-7pm and all were welcome to attend.

**AGREED** that the Joint Head of Housing and Community Safety, the Conservation Manager and the Chair would put together a letter to Woodheads expressing all tenants' issues.

The Meeting Concluded at 11:15am