

**Filby Church Bells Restoration Project**  
**Communications Sub-Group meeting**  
**Wednesday January 4<sup>th</sup> 2023**  
**10.00am Florence Farm, Fleggburgh**

Members Present – Derek Nicker **DN** Bernard Chase **BC** Nick Dawes **ND**- Martin Farrimond **MF**. Minute taker – Judith Richardson **JR**

1) **Apologies.** None

2) **Minutes of previous meeting** These were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

3) **Matters Arising** – None

4) **Communications update.** The children's bells designs were on display at the church and **JR&ND** will be in further contact with Filby School later in the school term to instigate further collaborative working.

As yet there has been no response from the local sixth form college.

Our artist has been sent photos and will be starting some sketches.

5) **Application for Lottery funding.** **ND** had produced a document that had considered all answers to the questions on the forms including those allocated to the comms group. It was agreed to take away the documents for reading and suggesting additions and amendments. The group would meet again very soon to discuss the ideas and edit them accordingly. **ND** would circulate these to the wider group so that all suggestions could be considered.

6) **Faculty Application** – **MF** had further discussions with Ruth Blackman and she had suggested that where applicable there should not be clear separations between the work needed just for the bells and that for the fabric of the church building. This would ensure that the two worked hand in hand and it could be seen that the PCC were contributing to the bells project. She also agreed that at this stage ( before we were sure of receiving a NLHF grant) we should not put work out to tender but rather work on project estimates that would be agreed by a quantity surveyor. **MF** will take this aspect forward.

7)**Development of Questionnaire.** No further action by us at this point. Our attention was brought to the recent questionnaire in the Gt. Yarmouth Mercury of the future of the local churches.

8) **AOB DN** has found a group that produces short print runs of very high quality hard back books. It was felt to be possible to create a factual book of the outline history of the church and its place in the community as well as a detailed account of the Bells Restoration Project.

**9) Date and Time of next meeting - Wednesday January 18<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Florence farm.**

The next meeting will only have one agenda item – the questions to be answered to facilitate the completion of the NHLF application . This being the case, there will not be the need for an advance agenda to be sent out.

**Actions**

**JR&ND** to contact with Filby School later in the school term to instigate further collaborative working.

**ND** to circulate document with all questions and potential basis of answers to the wider group so that all suggestions can be considered at the next comms group meeting.

**All** To read and consider the questions on the NLHF application form in preparation for the next meeting. Any amendments etc to be sent to **DN**.

**MF** to continue to take forward project estimates.