

Minutes of Save The Bell Meeting

Date: 13 April 2023 @ 7pm

Venue: The Elms Hotel

Present:

Toby Wise	TW (Chairperson)
Stephen Osborne	SO
Andrew Gillett	AG
Luke Grant	LG
Rob Gready	RPG (WhatsApp)
Dan Grant	DG
Julian Godwin	JG
Lisa Bailey	LB
Nick Crabbe	NC

		Responsible Person	Time Limit	Outcome
1.0	APOLOGIES			
1.1	Tim Lawson			
2.0	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING			
2.1	The minutes of the meeting of 23 March 2023 were approved as an accurate record with a couple of minor edits.			
2.2	<p>Matters Arising from minutes of 28-12-22: All action points were reviewed and those outstanding are listed below.</p> <p>4.3 There was also brief discussion of approaching one of the four local brewers to see if they might be interested to become the tenant. This subject will be considered in more detail at a future meeting.</p> <p>9.2 It was agreed that local MPs, District Councillors and County Councillors should be updated at a date to be decided. It was agreed that there would be a start date for this communication and press release.</p> <p>Matters Arising from Minutes of 12-Jan-23: 4 .11 It was agreed that a strategic development plan would be required for The Bell which might include developing more dining space. This to be considered at a future meeting.</p> <p>Matters Arising from minutes of 16-Mar-23:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TW</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TW</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TW</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TBC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ASAP</p> <p style="text-align: center;">24/01 /2023</p>	

	<p>Matter Arising from minutes of 23-Mar-23:</p> <p>3.3 Prepare a demo of other functionality available in the WIX platform</p> <p>Publish Rules as shared with Plunkett</p> <p>NC's article on 'Why Community Pubs work'</p> <p>3.4 Get details of any CAMRA contacts</p> <p>3.5 Engage with survey respondents and FB posters keen to organise events.</p> <p>3.6 TW will contact other possible grant funding sources.</p> <p>Matter Arising from minutes of 30-Mar-23:</p> <p>3.2 Working Group members to share a picture and brief bio to be added to the website</p> <p>7.0 Publish the draft rules on the website.</p>	<p>DG</p> <p>NC / DG</p> <p>NC / DG</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>SO</p> <p>TW</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>NC / DG</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>30/03 /2023</p> <p>30/03 /2023</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>30/03 /2023</p> <p>13/04 /2023</p> <p>ASAP</p>	
3.0	UPDATES			
3.1	<p><u>Press</u></p> <p>TW confirmed dates for meetings with: Central News (14.Apr) BBC Hereford & Worcester (21.Apr) At least for the first of these the aim is to have access to film inside the pub.</p>			
3.2	<p><u>Community Benefit Society + Banking</u></p> <p>NC confirmed that 2 signatories will be required for any significant transfers from the Lloyds bank account.</p> <p>A second account will be setup to handle day-to-day expenses.</p> <p>Confirm details of signatories and spend limit for single signatory / debit card</p>	<p>NC</p>	<p>20/04 /2023</p>	
3.3	<p><u>Marketing</u></p> <p>LB confirmed t-shirts would be available for working group members to wear at the social event</p> <p>Make payment to SO for their t-shirt (£16.50)</p>	<p>ALL</p>	<p>ASAP</p>	

	There will also be a sample 'Save The Bell' mug available for advance orders courtesy of Mr Crabbe (Senior)			
3.4	<p><u>Meeting with Bell owners</u></p> <p>NO and JG shared an update with the group on the meeting with the current owners of The Bell which had taken place on 2.Apr.</p> <p>There had been no negotiation about a purchase price but it was a very useful opportunity to discuss the general feeling of 'the community' towards the Bell's owners and the objectives of the STB group had been made clear.</p>			
3.5	<p><u>Grant Funding</u></p> <p>TW confirmed that he was in the process of reviewing the Community Ownership Fund application online which had a deadline of 11:59:00 on Friday 14th April</p>			
4.0	FORTHCOMING EVENTS			
4.1	<p>SO confirmed that all aspects of the 'Pop-up Bell' social were on-track and the group discussed final preparations and responsibilities</p> <p>A 'totaliser' would be created by DG for use on the night and subsequently</p>	DG	15/04 /2023	
5.0	PLEDGES			
5.1	TW shared an update on Pledges received since 1 st March. These total £130,000 from ~180 individuals with an average pledge of ~£750			
6.0	AOB			
7.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING			
7.1	TBC			