

MINUTES – MEETING – ALMONRY – WEDNESDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2017

Attended:

Lesley Samms
Debbie Grant
Tina Greene
Peter Greene
Allan Russell

Apologies
Caitlin Wheatley
Carol Harris
Mary Midgley
Jo Reeves

Minutes from previous meeting on 04/10/2017 were agreed, except the following amendment:
“Finance Sub Committee also met on 25/09/2017 and the minutes noted.”

New Proposal Trails

Will be discussed at next meeting

Google Maps

It was agreed that having an aerial Google Map with information & photos would be a good extension to the trails. This will be implemented after the ‘app’ has launched.
Peter Greene to make contact to find out if he knows someone who can either input, train or provide further information on how to proceed.

Stone Markers

Will be discussed at next meeting

River Bench

Chestnut wood has been obtained via Carol Harris & Littlewoods. Full update at next meeting.

Voice-Over For Trails

Original trail voiced by Anton Lester but agreed that new voices and a community element should be considered for next two trails.
Joanna Lumley will be approached by Lesley to be considered for either actually voicing a trail or being a mentor.
It was also agreed that we should involve the community (adults & children) and maybe do a ‘x factor’ style audition. We could then involve all the local groups & schools for participation.

Research

There had been some difficulty getting the involvement of some schools.

Battle Abbey Prep School – History teacher will be working with one year 6 class after the Christmas holidays.

Battle Abbey Senior School – Still looking at Poet approach.

Robertsbridge – A pupil at the school has produced a film and Debbie has been given the usb for use on social media. Debbie needs to supply Victoria (teacher) with information about where she has sent the video to. Lesley to provide Debbie with the contact details.

Claverham – New history teacher and Lesley is still waiting response.

Battle & Langton – Lesley will contact Adrian. Peter Greene to also supply Lesley with another contact name.

Muffins, WI, Ramblers etc – Have all been very engaged and dialogue still ongoing.

Peter Greene suggested Lesley also contact Richard Moore. Lesley is also still looking to book 3 more contacts to interview.

Activity Book

3 x examples have been sent to committee for thoughts.

Visual & wording are on target and the activity book is progressing well and on schedule.

Film Production

Sensory film / Information Boards – Drone companies have been approached by Lesley and current quote is around £1000 for a basic, low tech production.

Lesley seeing a third specialist on Friday (10th Nov) who has been briefed budget is tight!

Music for sensory film

Need original music for backing of any filming work.

Battle Light Opera Group may be useful for original music however, the thoughts were a composer would probably be a better route.

Peter Greene to contact Geoffrey Whitehead and Stephen Price.

Allan Russell to contact David Furness & Caroline Winter

The Play

This has now been removed from the plan as original budget was underestimated.

The budget for this was £1,800 and it was agreed that this money could be better spent on purchasing two artworks. This will meet the funding requirements for marketing & artworks.

It was agreed to purchase two large pots with local historical themes produced by an artist who had exhibited at the recent Battle Pure Arts exhibition at Powdermills. They are portable and can reside in the almonry when not out on loan.

The original price was £3000 each but Lesley has negotiated a price of £800 each!

Finance committee was also in agreement as were committee members who attended this meeting. Lesley to request approval of other committee members when circulating these minutes

Tina/Peter Greene to contact 'Howards' to look at special community price for two bespoke display cabinets.

It was suggested that Muffins may sponsor the pots too!

Marketing

Bev Marks at Ramblers – Debbie to approach for additional photos for social media engagement.

Debbie to do social media engagement stats for next meeting.

Debbie has ensured that information on the trail is in the 2018 Battle Guide via 1066 County Marketing.

Sponsorship

More visuals still needed to contact potential sponsors.

Information Boards

Tina Greene will be providing an example of the structure design for next meeting.

Tina also to contact people with wood carving skills and request prices

It was suggested that potential off-cuts of the River Bench could be utilised in production.

AOB

Peter Greene suggested the potential of another trail for Phase Two at Justice Field.

Lewes Archive a great source of research if needed.

Date of Next Meeting

7.15pm – Wednesday 13th December 2017 – The Almonry