

Minutes of a meeting of the Trustees of CLASP at Norton Village Hall 24th April 2017

Present: D. Hayward, S. Young, G. Hatton, A. Evans, T. Kesten, M. Lewis, J. Aveling, R. Close

- 1. Apologies: S. Deacon
- 2. The minutes of the last meeting [9th January] were read and approved.
 - 3. Matters arising:

Trustees' liability. DH is to deal with this.

- 4. Adoption of new Trustees: DH proposed that Marcus Lewis and Jim Aveling be nominated as trustees. GH proposed and AE seconded the proposal and the motion was carried.
- 5. The minutes of the meeting of 7th March [for the purchase of a new and more powerful computer] were read and TK proposed and AE seconded their adoption.
- 6. Treasurer's Report: AE outlined the financial situation. The balance stands at £11,452.12. We have £700 from NNPAST and the proviso is that this money is to be spent upon the changes at All Saints Church in Norton. As in the past two years RC is to examine the books.
- 7. Case study funding: The leaflets on Whitehall, Local people, local past and Bannaventa are to be funded by MKHA. The Lactodorum leaflet is to be financed by Towcester and District Local History Society. The Barn Close leaflet is to be funded from Harpole funds. The Hillforts leaflet is not yet financed and it was suggested that we should ask Northants Community Foundation for £1,000 to do so. [DH]
- 8. DH announced that CLASP is to set up an annual lecture named after Gren Hatton. All present were delighted for him and Gren was pleased and honoured.
- 9. We have not moved forward on equal opportunities. The Chair reported that there was now no interest in anyone becoming a young trustee.
- 10. Physical Archive: N. Adams has reminded us that our three years at Whitehall expire in the Autumn. All is quiet on the Norton Church front at the moment. An architect is to be appointed and SY is to write to the incumbent and the churchwardens. We need somewhere to store our collections until Norton Church is ready for us. SY and Marcus Lewis are to approach someone who has a barn in the vicinity.
- 11. The work on documentary archiving is still proceeding, with regular meetings taking place.
- 12. Research proposals for 2017 were outlined in the earlier COC meeting.
- 13. NCC Heritage Strategy: We have heard no more about this and it is felt that the NCC Heritage Website is a lame duck and not likely to amount to much. The best way forward for CLASP is via the Northants Heritage Forum.
- 14. GH reported that Global Mapper and QGIS are now installed on the new computer and are both proving to be excellent acquisitions.
- 15. Health and Safety. DH stressed that each research proposal requires its particular requirements to be addressed.

Trustees: D. Hayward (Chair), S. Deacon (Secretary), A. Evans (Treasurer), S. Young (Archaeology Director), G. Hatton, A. Kesten, M. Lewis, J. Aveling

Organising Committee: R. Close (Chair), J. Aveling (Secretary), J. Johns (Membership Secretary)

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