

**MEETING OF QUORN VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT (VDS) TEAM**  
**Held at Quorn Village Hall, 7.30pm Thursday April 6th 2006**

1. Attendances and Apologies.

Present:

Cllr Terry Stirling - Chairman  
Rick Hoyland - Vice Chairman  
Rob Brown - Secretary  
Ian Rushin - Treasurer

Cllr Joan Bloodworth  
Geoffrey Locke  
Sue Newcombe  
Kathryn Paterson

Renia Rushin  
Chris Wyatt

Apologies:

Hazel Fish  
Cllr John Hutchinson  
Julia Martin

Kevan Porter  
Cllr David Slater  
Cllr Richard Shepherd

Judy Furniss sent a message that she was withdrawing from the team. It was agreed that her name should be taken off all our lists.

Chris Wyatt introduced himself as a new member. His name was to be added to all our lists.

2. Minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes were approved without alteration.

3. Matters arising.

i) In St Barts Primary School tomorrow (Friday 7th April) every child was to be given an A4 sheet and asked to depict their favourite Quorn building. They were also asked to comment on why they had chosen the particular subject. Geoff said that Monday 24th April was the date for this work to be returned to the school. We agreed that our stand organisers should make a wide selection and these should be displayed on our stand at the Quorn May Day Event (see below). The comments of the public and finally our committee should then be used as a guide to select the best. Joan said that the Quorndon would give suitable moderate prizes to the most memorable.

Terry said that John had not been able to get any more details concerning Rawlins involvement from David Brindley, the Principal at Rawlins. However during this last week David had phoned Terry saying that three Rawlins girls, who were all Quorn residents, were keen on taking shots of the village and contributing their views. Terry or John to maintain contact.

4. Publicity.

i) Quorn VDS Web Site - Tim told the meeting that this was now up and running within the Quorn Village Website. Not only were all general documents and information available but viewers were able to send their comments to a "notice board". Once certain technical issues had been resolved he and Ian would expand what had already been achieved.

ii) Other publicity matters - unfortunately Julia had had to send her apologies for absence and therefore this matter could not be progressed.

#### 5. Future Activity.

i) Rick gave us feedback on our VDS display at the Village Meeting about "Charnwood 2021" held on Monday 27th March 2006. He said that while this meeting was well attended there was little interest and no contacts arising from our display. The boards we had used had been returned to Gary Crisp. In future it was suggested that Woodhouse Eaves Village Hall would be a possible source of display boards. Chris was to follow this up and inform Julia of any result before the Village Mayday Event. Terry also mentioned that the Sibley Photographic Society had display boards that were available. He did not recommend these as a first choice as they were heavy and cumbersome to move.

ii) Village Mayday Celebrations Saturday 6th May 2006 - This topic was necessarily curtailed due to the absence of Julia. It was agreed that while we had an understanding with the organisers to have a stall it was better for Rob to request this formally by contacting Sue Child. The size of the plot requested was to at least accommodate a gazebo. Kathryn agreed to see if the disc of the original Quorn pictures is available so that new copies can be made. Terry & Rick agreed to arrange laminating for either the newly produced, or failing this the worn existing, photographs so that they can be safely used in an outdoor display. Our Mayday organisers (Julia, Sue, Renia and Geoff) to press ahead with all the arrangement of the event, liaising with members who had promised to do varying things (see above). The committee expected all team members to appear at sometime during the afternoon of the event.

iii) "Walkabout" Saturday 20th May - Terry suggested that for this event the village should be split roughly into quarters. Each quarter would have a group allocated to it. These groups would each be "led" by a VDS Team member and concern themselves with all aspects relating to the Design Statement. Publicity for the "walkabout" should be available at the Mayday event. Photographs of relevant sites/items should preferably be taken with digital cameras (although others would be welcomed) as this would make the selection and production much easier and faster. It was agreed that a sub-committee of the Team officers plus Chris should meet to decide on details for the day. This would include the general composition of groups, the hardware necessary for the day and subsequent collection/production of photographs/comments. Rob was to contact Beryl Holland to see if the back room in the Village Hall was available for Tuesday 2nd May (which was seen as a possible date for the meeting) and inform sub-committee members of the result.

iv) Exhibition w/e 24/25th June - to coincide with Quorn Open Gardens. It had been discovered that it is not possible to leave a display up overnight as the hall has been booked for an evening event. The committee decided that we should see if the Church Rooms were available for these dates as these could conveniently be used as an alternative. Terry was to check this, and any charges they may require, with Neil Fuller and report back to the next meeting.

#### 6. Finance.

i & ii) Kathryn wrote us a cheque for £500.00 and gave it to Ian our Treasurer. This was the monies that had been set aside for us by the Parish Council and notified to us in writing. Ian was to write a suitable "Thank you" letter back. Ian had examined the various bank accounts available to us and reluctantly decided that we could not now use the local Post Office. Instead he proposed that we set up an account at the Loughborough Branch of the Lloyds TSB. Sue seconded this and the meeting agreed.

iii) Rob said that despite the £500.00 kindly given by the Quorn PC we would need additional funding during the life of the team. He suggested that we should now start thinking seriously about sources. The meeting decided that Keith McEwan should be approached as he had said, before he withdrew from the team, that he had contacts who might contribute. Additionally the builders on both the Old Methodist Church and Wakely's Bakery sites plus Rosemary Conley should all be approached for contributions. Kathryn was to contact Rob with necessary details of their names and contact addresses. Rob and Ian to draw up the wording of the letters and send them out as soon as this is done.

#### 7. AOB.

The meeting agreed that our contact details should be on all our written material. After discussion it was decided that the published contacts should be restricted to two e-mail addresses - our web site and Rob as our secretary.

#### 8. Date of next meeting.

It was agreed that the next full meeting was to be held at the Quorn Village Hall Rooms at 7.30pm on Thursday 11th May 2006. Note that this is the second Thursday in the month.

R.J.N.BROWN  
Secretary

Distribution to:- All attending or giving apologies at the meeting, those not withdrawing from the original list (if different), all Quorn Parish Councillors (if not covered before), two District Councillors & one County Councillor representing Quorn. The Principal, Rawlins Community College.