

MEETING OF QUORN VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT (VDS) TEAM
Held at Quorn Village Hall, 7.30pm Thursday June 8th 2006

1. Attendances and Apologies.

Present:

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

Cllr Joan Bloodworth
Alan Johnson
Geoffrey Locke

Sue Newcombe
Kevan Porter
Renia Rushin

Apologies:

David Brindley
Cllr Phil Child
Hazel Fish
Cllr John Hutchinson

Tim Rodgers
Cllr Richard Shepherd
Don Wix

Alan Johnson, a new member joined us and introduced himself to the team.

2. Minutes of the last meeting.

These were approved without alteration.

3. Matters arising.

i) Terry had sent a letter to Julia Martin thanking her for her efforts on behalf of the Quorn Village Design Team and leaving the door ajar if she wished to rejoin us at a future date.

ii) Joan confirmed that the Quorndon would supply the prizes for the most successful artwork from the pupils of St. Barts. These would be £5 vouchers to be spent at the village Post Office. Each year would have one winner and there would be an additional prize of the same amount for the overall winner. They would be presented in the Church Rooms at 2.00pm on Sunday 25th June 2006. Geoff was to make sure that this information was given out in St. Barts before the day. This was because full distribution of the Quorndon magazine, with the information, could not be guaranteed before the date of the presentation (See also item 5 below).

iii) Liaison efforts with Rawlins Community College were not going

smoothly. Terry had delivered various letters, to do with the details of our Walkabout, by hand to their reception. They had not been forwarded to their destinations and consequently no Rawlins involvement occurred on the day. Other methods of communication were to be considered.

4. Report on QVDS "Walkabout" Saturday 20th May 2006

Last photos taken on the Walkabout were handed in. Altogether many different aspects of the village were captured for future consideration. The effort was deemed a success although Rick said that he was disappointed by the small turnout on the day. Despite this Hazel appeared happy with what we had done. It was understood that some specific items would need to be re-photographed to illustrate the text of the Design Statement.

5. Future Activity.

i) Our Exhibition w/e 24/25th June, to coincide with Quorn Open Gardens. Terry gave out the latest information about the day: - the Church Rooms had been booked for the weekend. We had agreed to be open to visitors between 2.00-6.00pm on the Saturday (same as the Open Gardens) but 12.00-5.00pm on the Sunday (this different). The meeting decided that we should extend the Sunday start to 11.30 to enable us to be available for those going home after the morning church service. We would also provide refreshments. Terry said that we were included as a "garden" on the "passports" for the Quorn Open Gardens. The "quid-pro-quo" required for this publicity was that we had to be able to sell these "passports" at our venue.

The meeting then extensively discussed the arrangements for the display in the light of previous experiences in mounting exhibitions. It was decided that:-

- a) Terry, Rick and Rob should meet at 7.30pm Thursday 15th June 2006 at Rick's to select which photos were going to be displayed at our exhibition.
- b) Rick was to obtain as many screens as possible for displaying the winners of the school artwork competition (see 3ii above) together with our chosen photos. The format to be similar to our May Day display on top of tables supplied by the Church Hall. The other artwork (approx 200 items) to be mounted on suitable paper attached to upended tables round the inside of the Church Hall. Each year to be presented on one table as a montage.
- c) Geoff was to try and get suitable paper through school. He was to notify Terry of the result by e-mail before the evening of Thursday 15th June 2006.
- d) Because the preparation for this event would involve many people and lengthy time Terry was to go back to the Church Hall Committee and arrange for us to have access from 7.00pm on Friday evening. He was to inform us all of the result by e-mail. If Terry was successful all were invited to attend at this time to start preparing the display which was to be finished off (if necessary) from midday on Saturday.
- e) Rick was to obtain necessary materials for mounting the display items.
- f) Terry was to produce the written material to caption the display.

- g) Kevan was to help Terry with preparing poster publicity for the event. This was mainly necessary because the Quorndon could not guarantee total distribution before the event. Terry was to distribute these as he thought fit.
- h) Joan said that on the days it would be necessary to get as many people as possible to help with the refreshments. Those outside the committee would be most welcome for this job. Would all please note and try their best to get as many people as possible involved.

As well as the display Rick agreed to run a competition to promote the Quorn Village Design Statement. A question sheet would show 20 views of various Quorn building features. Those entering were to try and identify them and the buildings they were on. It was agreed that the entry cost should be £1.00, the sheets be available from the PO and Flowers by Sarah from Monday 19th June 2006 with a return deadline of Wednesday 28th June 2006. Returns to either address. The final result was to be announced on Wednesday 5th July 2006. Terry was to produce forms on which the public could then make comments at the display. The results will be announced in "Flowers by Sarah", the village P.O. and in the Village Notes column of the Loughborough Echo. Key Fobs @ £1.00 and Car Stickers @ 50p were to be on sale at the exhibition.

ii) Further steps towards our ultimate goal.

Terry was to approach Peter Gamble about supplying ecological details of the village, these to include photographs and any necessary commentary. Don Wix was likewise to be approached about the history of Quorn..

6. Web Site.

- i) Ian said that the Quorn Village Website now included QVDS. Many of the photos taken on the "Walkabout" were already available for viewing.
- ii) Terry was to approach Julia to try and find out how much she had spent on behalf of QVDS.

7. Finance.

- i) Our bank account was now fully functional. The Quorn Parish Council cheque had been paid in.
- ii) Ian submitted the draft expense claim forms to the meeting. They approved his efforts and a number were submitted for small amounts.
- iii) The fundraising letter to local builders had not yet been drafted and therefore could not be placed before the meeting. It was hoped that this could be done in time for the next meeting.
- iv) Charnwood BC official acknowledgement of QVDS. Discussion of this was deferred to the next meeting

v) Further fundraising for our activities. Discussion of this was deferred to the next meeting.

8. AOB.

i) Rob was to print out an updated copy of our contact sheet and distribute.

ii) At our next meeting it was to be decided what our future priorities were to be and how these were to be taken forward (e.g. sub-committees). In the light of this decision the frequency of future general meetings was to be discussed.

9. 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 6th July 2006.

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.