

SLEAFORD CASTLE HERITAGE GROUP

Meeting held electronically, via Zoom on Tuesday 16th February 2021 at 11:00am

Present: Garry Titmus (S&DCT), David Marriage (S&DCT), Anthony Brand (STC Cllr & S&DCT), Faith Hopkins (S&DCT), Linda Edwards-Shea (STC Cllr), Mark Bamford (S&DCT), Brenda Hitchcock (S&DCT) and Alan Gray (Economic Development Manager NKDC)

The meeting was supported by the Temporary Deputy Clerk and Administration Officer (MW).

1. **Welcome**

GT welcomed all to the meeting and introduced Alan Gray (Economic Development Manager) from NKDC to the meeting.

2. **Apologies**

No apologies for absence were received.

3. **Minutes**

The notes from the last meeting held on 12th January 2021 were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.

4. **Proposed new public access**

GT summarised prior discussions regarding the proposed new public access to the Castlefield site together with the conveyances/covenants which had recently been acquired from the Land Registry.

It was noted that there are some areas within the site that need maintenance and clearance of litter and debris. It was also recognised that some fencing around the Castle site is broken.

There was a short discussion regarding standing water on the site and the possibility of erecting a bridge or raised footpath.

AG advised to make a business case for a new proposed public access.

Action: STC to note report of broken glass on site

Action: STC to note maintenance requirements for the dyke

Action: GT to continue to investigate implications of relevant conveyances and covenants.

Action: AG to supply GT direct Network Rail officers contact details

5. **Symposium**

It was noted that very little response had been received from those on the symposium attendee list.

It was recognised that material for a power point presentation is still needed and an expert will be needed on the day of the symposium to answer any questions that may arise.

Action: AB to forward MW a report. MW to forward the report and a Castlefield Map to all the symposium attendees and ask for them to confirm their attendance.

Action: Symposium rehearsal scheduled for Friday 19th February. Time to be confirmed.

Action: LES to keep Facebook updated.

6. **Date of next meeting**
Tuesday 23rd March 2021 at 11am.

The meeting closed at 12:05pm.