History Working Party Minutes

Minutes of Meeting on 12 May 2023 at 9.00am in The Pattern Hall, Charlestown.

Attendees: Cllr T Reynolds (co-Chair), Andy Trudgian, Charlestown History Group (co-Chair), Sue Facey and Cllr Nick Foster. Apologies Pat Smith.

The Nest

TR advised that there had been a recent meeting between the parish council and residents of The Nest about various concerns involving the development. There will be a further meeting with the parish council and the Planning Department. The residents have no problem with public access but do not like the proposed permissive route which on health and safety grounds would involve the public in walking on the main access road around a blind bend. The original route lower down would be a preferred option. Access to the Linhay has been agreed although access to the base of the chimney stack is not on the plans, Councillors thought that this should be extended. The pulic will be able to access the site on foot within the agreed hours through the partially open gate.

Update from Charlestown History Group

AT confirmed that the installation of the Flagpole was a success and other events are being planned to commemorate Charles Rashleigh's bicentenary. The group are planning to take part in the annual carnival and there will be a specially written drama performance in the village in September. Further details will be announced.

The Charlestown Information Board

The initial draft from the chosen designer was discussed in detail. Various amendments were agreed. The main concerns were the amount of text but it was difficult to leave anything out and it was decided that the content would remain. It was up to the public how much or how little information they read. The central position of the map was liked but the circular nature of the timeline was not.

TR will list the ideas and circulate to the group before sending to the designer.