**The Patch in Potterne**

**19 Whistley Road**

**Potterne, Wilshire SN10**

# Minutes of meeting held on 14 January 2023 at Potterne School

**Present**: Robert Berry, Robin Jequier, Gill Berry, John Starling, Tina Perryman, Diane Harris, Bob Naylor, Geoff Palmer, Paul Moss, Sabine Moss, Andy Huntley, Tim Landergan, Sam Landergan, John Chandler, Robert Hunt-Grubbe

**Apologies:** Janet Church, Sally Baker, Jackie Sawyer, Adrian Birholt, Angela Rawlins, Rosie Goldsmith, Nicola Goves, Poppy Watson, Jacky Gay

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| 1. | Welcome & Opening Statement:Robert Berry welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised the attendees of the fire and safety regulations. This meeting is for a general update and not a formal meeting. For those who are interested there will be an opportunity to view the rest of the building after the meeting. At this stage Robert introduced Robin Jequier, Co-Director and fundraiser and handed the meeting over to him. |  |
| 2. | Robin told the meeting about himself and that he had moved to Potterne ten years ago. |  |
| 3. | Charity Status (CIO) The Patch in Potterne Ltd community interest company was formed to transform Potterne’s former village school into a thriving, multi-use space.In due course we plan to apply for charitable status in order to obtain a registered charity number enabling the Gift Aid option, but the issue is on temporary hold pending feedback from potential major funders. This option was put the meeting and there were no objections to looking into this further. |  |
| 4. | Fundraising: A Case for Support (version 10) was circulated to the attendees. Robin explained he used this report when approaching potential donors. Gifts and pledges now exceed £80,000, with responses still awaited from grant-making organisations. Wiltshire Council have run out of money but have said we should go back to them.We also have completed a lottery funding application.Note: the figures at the back of the report are showing what we could raise.A general discussion was held regarding the Case for Support.Robert thanked Robin for his work on this so far. Robin said he was impressed by the passion and enthusiasm. It is a team effort. |  |
| 5. | Devizes Half Marathon: On Sunday 2 April 2023 Director will run the Devizes Half Marathon in aid of The Patch in Potterne Campaign. Our warmest thanks go to all those who have already given.If you have not yet done so, please support Robin if you can – any sum, large or small, would be hugely appreciated. Simply go online to:RobinsRunUK click ‘DONATE’ and follow the instructions. Thank you!To find out more you can visit our website ThePatchInPotterne.org.uk |  |
| 6. | TeamsOffers of help and enquiries are always welcome! Be it fundraising, admin, and hiring space, please feel free to get in touch at any time. Bob Berry, Director info@thepatchinpotterne.org.uk Tel: 07714 550990Robin Jequier, Director robin@thepatchinpotterne.org.uk Tel: 07957 870721 |  |
| 7. | Questions from the FloorTim Landergan enquired on the Land Registry issue. John Starling stated Land Registry will be dealt with at the time of conveyance. |  |
| 8. | Paul Moss enquired if there is time to have a fundraiser event in order to sell the plan to the village. In principle this could be done. |  |
| 9. | Ransom Strip: John Starling stated we need to be careful of usage and we would need to see the deeds |  |
| 10 | Robert Hunt-Grubbe asked ‘Do the people of Potterne know this is happening’?There is a monthly article in the Potterne Magazine. When meetings are due placards are placed outside the village shop and dotted around the village. Robert Berry has been giving interviews on BBC Radio and Fantasy Radio who are very supportive. |  |
| 11. | Can there be an option to download the Case for Support on the Web and to view any change to the proposed site plan. This to be done. |  |
| 12 | It is planned to hold an AGM (Annual General Meeting) in June 2023 |  |
| 13. | The Meeting closed at 20:15.Signed Date: |  |

