

Minutes of **Old School Development Committee** held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2012 in Messingham Village hall commencing at 6.30pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillors N Poole (Chair), Mrs J Briggs, Mrs B Todd, Mrs G Sherwood & J England, Mrs Val Newman of North Lindsey College and the Clerk.

**158 . APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Received from Councillor T Foster & W Elsome

**159. NORTH LINDSEY COLLEGE**

The Chairman gave a brief summary of the school development ideas to date and asked Mrs Newman if North Lindsey College would be interested in bringing adult education to Messingham. Mrs Newman explained that the timing for this enquiry is perfect as North Lindsey College are working in partnership with North Lincolnshire Council to take adult education into rural areas.

Bricklaying, plastering, vehicle maintenance, hair and beauty courses are some that are currently on offer in the Brigg & Barton area. It was noted that the old school had an IT suite installed which would be ideal for computer courses. It was noted that some market research would be needed for the Messingham area to establish the kind of courses to consider.

It was also noted that a minimum class size of 10 for at least two days a week would be needed to make it viable. Ten week courses or four week taster courses could be available. It was also noted that ideally the school should be available from September 2012 to coincide with the launch of the new prospectus.

All members thanked Mrs Newman for attending and for the positive outlook she had given.

**160. BUILDING REPORT**

The report from Chris Ramsbottom had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. It was noted that the structural condition is sound but that the interior needs a facelift – decoration, heating etc. It was agreed this was better than initially anticipated.

**161. STAGE ONE PROPOSALS**

- a) It was agreed to invite a representative from the Youth Service to the next meeting to discuss possibilities.
- b) Costs needed for the annual running of the building – to be obtained via Chris Ramsbottom or the Education Dept.
- c) Write to NLC to outline initial development ideas, making reference to involvement with North Lindsey College and consultation with the Youth Service.

**162. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2012