

Minutes of the **Old School Development Committee** held on Monday **12th December 2011** in Messingham Village Hall at 6.30pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), Mrs B Todd, W Elsome, Mrs G Sherwood, Mrs J Briggs, T Foster and J England and the Clerk.

129. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None received.

130. DEVELOPMENT SUGGESTIONS

- a) The Chairman reported that Lesley Potts of the NLC Regeneration Team is willing to attend a future meeting to discuss funding options. It was agreed to invite her to the January meeting of the Parish Council.
- b) It was noted that a business plan will be needed and that potential income and expenditure will need to be predicted.
- c) The Clerk reported that the old school development at Winterton has been led by members of the public rather than the Town Council, although it receives financial support from the Town Council. It was suggested that a private organisation may be more eligible for grants than the Parish Council.
- d) Suggested uses for the building included:
 - IT centre
 - Outreach base for education facilities
 - Library service moving from Wendover Road building
 - Youth centre
 - Additional clinical facility – it was noted that Dr. Newman has voiced concerns regarding the existing split level of the school building and that ramps for disabled access would be needed.
- e) A letter had been received from North Lindsey College offering to be involved in local projects and activities. It was agreed to respond asking for a representative to attend the next meeting of the School Development committee (copy for information to Cllr. John Briggs)
- f) It was suggested that there would be potential for students to use the building work etc for work experience. The cost of building repairs was agreed to be crucial to any business plan – it was agreed to contact Chris Ramsbottom of Building Services for a current building report.
- g) The Chairman insisted that the first phase of the development programme is to outline the preferred use for the building.

131. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 16th January 2012 at 6.30pm