

FOLLA

Friends of Lapwing Lane Arcade

Bulletin 20

November 2013

Getting the work underway

We are currently talking to the Heritage Lottery Fund to ensure we have satisfied all the conditions required for them to grant us 'Permission to Start'. This is essential before we actually get the contractor on site in January. The HLF are contributing £25,000 towards our funds – without which we simply couldn't go ahead.

Memories of 117 Lapwing Lane

During the month I received a letter from Ann Downs of Bovey Tracey near Newton Abbot. Ann moved into Danesmoor Road in 1957 and has fond memories of the arcade on Lapwing Lane. She writes:

"My daughter Jo Callans, who lives near me, is as intrigued as I am in the progress you're all making on the arcade. She and her husband Dave lived at 117 Lapwing Lane from 1997 to 2002. They were only the second family to live there.



Walter Carroll

Walter Carroll, the musician, who was the original owner, lived there from 1912 onwards with his two daughters, Ida and Elsie. After his death his daughters carried on in the same house until they died. When my daughter, Jo, moved in it was like a time warp, so much was still the original 1912 décor.

I think it quite splendid you have taken on the arcade. My husband, Sydney, tried to do something a while back in conjunction with the Didsbury Civic Society, but they can't have had your determination as it came to nothing. Congratulations and may you go from strength to strength."



117 Lapwing Lane

Christmas Craft Fair – December 1st – Old Parsonage

Just one more reminder to come along this Sunday between 11 and 4.30 to the Old Parsonage on Stenner Lane, Didsbury. There will be plenty to interest all ages – and FOLLA will be benefitting from the day.

Commemorative Plaque

We are lucky to have an expert local sign-writer as one of our 'Friends'. He has sketched out some ideas for the plaque. When we have developed these ideas we will use the bulletin to let you know what the plaque will look like.

A key consideration has been not to make it look like a War Memorial with lists of the deceased (even though a number of the names will be of past members of our community).

It's been fascinating to see what inscriptions you've opted for.

The list includes past residents who've played a leading role in our local community over the years, such as Rabbis Felix Carlebach and Maurice Gaguine, or Linda Chase and the Village Hall. Of course there's mention of parents, children or just the family name. Some are local businesses such as Folk from Burton Road, The Northern Tennis Club or Sterling Pharmacy. There are overseas supporters remembered (Margaret Buss from California, for instance) and local Councillors - and even a local Lord!

So, perhaps aptly, our plaque will celebrate the past, the present and the future.

The Bottom Line – as at November 30th

Items to-date	Out £	In £
Campaign costs (stationery, hiring, etc.)	1,184	
Fees (Legal, Architect, Planning, etc)	6,942	
Donations from 'Friends'		16,837
'Pay for a Pane' (112 lines on plaque)		18,347
Council grant		16,000
Net receipts from socials, raffles, etc.		7,523
Gift aid refunds from HMRC		4,255
TOTALS to-date	8,126	62,962
NET TOTAL FUNDS to-date	£54,836	
Items to come	Out £	In £
Fees (Legal, Architect, Planning, etc)	3,573	
Build work (inc. new metal & drainage)	67,249	
Shop signs & signwriting	2,000	
Plaque design & installation	550	
Heritage & Launch costs	1,560	
Contingency	5,000	
Donations/'Pay for a Pane'/Events (<i>est</i>)		1,000
Heritage Lottery Grant		25,000
Gift aid refunds from HMRC		2,500
TOTALS to come	79,932	28,500
Target & Currently expected Income	88,058	91,462
Currently expected SURPLUS	£3,404	

£90,000

£85,000

£80,000

£75,000

£70,000

£65,000

£60,000

£55,000

£50,000

£45,000

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