

2025 Menston Heritage Group - Sub committee of Menston Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting on Monday 30th January 2023 at 7pm at Kirklands

	<p>Present:</p> <p>Parish Councillors : Marilyn Banister (Chair) Judith Knaggs Lennox Towers Jon Mordey Suzanne Rennie Chris Steele Hazel Goulden Roy Vickers Vicky Hannam - on duty in Kirklands</p>	
	Apologies: Cllr Dale Smith, Cllr Goodith White; Catherine Meakin	
1	Minutes of meeting on 9.1 2023	
2	<p>Matters arising.</p> <p>Archive: Library space: shelving available and the room will be cleared once Jill Cooke knows when to expect the resources. LT and JM working on this. Desk also available from JM possibly.</p> <p>Trail: Cup and ring stones(late Neolithic?) now found in Menston and photographed by LT. Need ideas for story line .</p> <p>Roy Vickers happy to assist with filming and would work with interviewer to capture the story of Don Porrit and silversmithing in Menston - possible young person to do the interview? SR to take forward.</p> <p>Lord Fairfax story could link with Bolling Hall although they were Royalists!</p> <p>Could there be link to young people through D of E - link person in Burley . MB to follow up: email Lindsay at doe@burleyparishcouncil.co.uk.</p>	<p>LT, JM and DS</p> <p>RV and SR</p> <p>MB</p>
3	<p>4. Shanaz Gulzar - Creative Director of Bradford 2025</p> <p>Shanaz spoke of the joint role of her as Creative Director and Dan Bates as Executive Director which is a first for a City of Culture. The teams needed have almost been recruited and 99% of people are from Bradford.</p> <p>Huge desire to get people to shout about being from Bradford and develop a sense of community and civic identity. Activities are wanted in all 30 wards of the district and there will be people employed to engage with those communities. Mini seed money of up to £2.5k can be applied for before 5.2.23 to enable artists etc to be paid to develop their ideas.</p> <p>The themes for the City of Culture are:</p>	

	<p>1. City of the World- Bradford as a melting pot. Bradford was the centre of the Wool industry- Woolopolis- and a beacon of innovation for industry, including water supply and sewerage schemes! A proud history of welcoming people from all over the world. People who have made Bradford their home.</p> <p>2. Coming of Age - next generation thinking/science/stories. Youngest city in the country with 20% of the population under 18. Born in Bradford provides wealth of data from a longitudinal study with the cohort reaching 18 in 2025. Bradford needs to rediscover its entrepreneurial spirit, can do attitude and lifelong learning.</p> <p>3. Everything is connected- art and science not just arts and culture. Bradford was steam powered so don't take the arts out of STEM learning. Need to be creative to solve climate change/ live sustainably.</p> <p>4. "Welcome Home Sexy"- spirit of warmth and friendship. Graffiti outside the Interchange. Offering of hospitality - sitting together and breaking bread. So opportunities and challenges.</p> <p>Bradford is a microcosm of the UK. Possible "Bradford on Foot" programme from a Baildon walking group that we could link - do we share a boundary on the moor? Need to be creating legacy. People hold knowledge Try not to run out of steam. "Bradford is Lit "is coming back. Sports teams are backing it eg Bulls and Cougars but it is about culture not sport. Walking, food and fashion are considered to be culture! Sustainability - immersive experience?</p>	
4	AOB- none	
5	Next meeting: Monday 13th March at 7pm at Kirklands.	