Save Our Stute Monthly Meeting - 12th July 2022

Attendees: Dave Reynolds (chair), Michelle Armstrong, Colin White, Paul Harle, Kelly Ambrosini (minutes), Sue Clarke, John Raw, Trevor Horner and Jane Hackworth Young.

Apologies: Lisa Knight, Anth Knight, Samantha Townsend, Dene Clarke, Hazel Johnson and Lisa Turnbull.

<u>Minutes</u> – accepted. Some actions still to be addressed: C34 form to have last few amendments made. A meeting has been set up with Tracey Emery (CAT) for early August

Financial update

Current balance - £2275. Accountant has been paid SC –Accounts on track for submission

Volunteer hours update

Hours logged for May (updated) – 43 ½ hours. June – 48 hours. Group were reminded to log any outstanding hours

Events

July Quingo – Quiz is written. No quiz in August due to holidays. KA asked if anyone would like to write September's quiz.

Heritage Rail Event (17th July) – JR updated the meeting on how the event has been well advertised but unfortunately would be low on volunteers. Offers of help were given to help set up the night before.

Fun 4 All (Hackworth Park) – SHA has a table booked, as do BIG. From 11-3pm

Ska Sunday – CW and DR keen to give this a go, date tbc

Darlington Big Band - DR looking at dates

Live Lounge – CW keen to promote these events well. Suggestions were made to have small monthly ads in the Town Crier.

Heritage Compass update

DR updated the group on the course so far and will disseminate notes on courses recently completed (fundraising) DR highlighted the need to look at drawing up the case for our support through membership and the wider community.

A zoom meeting has been set up with our 'critical friend' in August. Details to be emailed out nearer the time. There will be a symposium gathering in Coventry on 18th September where some of the other groups in this year's HC intake will be attendance. A good opportunity for networking!

Committee update

DR updated those not in attendance of the joint committee / SOS group held on 27th June.

JHY advised that there should be more trustees involved in any new group formed, along with a new constitution. She reminded and advised that we already have a good literary collection and could add to that which could be a useful educational offer and research facility, something that Locomotion currently doesn't offer. Bonds could be forged with Durham Record Office / NRM and Beamish to help achieve this.

AOB

DR thanked PH in referring the group to Mitchell Kent at DCC (Regeneration team)

DR advised the meeting that he has begun to collate an asset register of properties. SC will use funds from the account to reimburse DR for resources bought for this purpose on production of receipts.

Next meeting Wednesday 10th August at 7.15pm, middle room, first floor, SRI