

## **Notes from meeting with MKC re Bradwell Windmill 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017 at MK Museum**

**Present:** Cllr Kirkham, Cllr Wright, Lisa Emmanuel, Richard Wilde, MK Museum Rep

### **Introduction**

LE explained the background to the development of the NP. BG confirmed he is familiar with Neighbourhood Planning, although to date had not engaged re Stantonbury's Plan.

BG explained that the responsibility for the Mill had now passed to MK Museum. They have been awarded a grant over a 12 year period, but now have full responsibility for the upkeep of the mill. The site also relies on a key group of volunteers who run the open days.

### **Proposed Sports & Heritage Policy**

LE outlined the principles behind the proposed policy, including highlighting discussions which had been held with New Bradwell Sports Association. The Committee members had expressed support for the windmill and the potential for increased joint working for events etc.

Discussion followed on future plans for the windmill. BG confirmed a need for more investment to encourage more people to visit. There is a need for toilets, somewhere to serve refreshments and also somewhere to display artefacts.

Future plans to explore grain from local farmers being milled, however it would always remain a visitor attraction and not a commercial mill.

They are currently at the legal stage where a new 50 year lease is due to be signed.

The group then looked at the boundaries of the windmill and surrounding properties. RW pointed out some anomalies in the current policy drawings. There is a strip of land between the sports association grounds and the windmill which we need to determine land ownership. Access across this land is vital for increased accessibility between the sites.  
**LE/HM to check with Land Registry**

Further discussion then followed with regard the access issues at the sports ground, including car parking and plans for future extension. It was agreed that a meeting between SPC/NBSA and MKC representatives from both the Museum and Leisure Services be arranged ASAP. The issue of car parking, access to both sites and also the potential for additional buildings has implications for the Neighbourhood Plan Policy, therefore any support SPC can give to facilitate the meeting is vital.

**Action LE/HM**

Other issues highlighted included the need for better signage to the mill from railway walk.