



**SAVE OLD SCHOOL:
Informal Meeting at Wellcroft Cottage, Ivinghoe,
21st November 2011 at 11.00pm**

PRESENT: Carol Tarrant
Bob Corn
Jackie Wesley Bucks CC

The meeting was called to discuss the recently submitted Initial Proposal for Community Asset Transfer of Ivinghoe Old School to the 'Save Old School' Steering Group.

1.0 Jackie noted that Graham Morley, Head of Property Services, and Graham Winwright, Head of Planning and Environment at Bucks C.C. had asked that the Property Board determine the Asset Transfer; they will need to take the full proposal to the 'BIG' Board – although Jackie stressed that everyone is still new to the Community Asset Transfer system.

2.0 Stage 2 needs to be convincing – we need to show implications of future maintenance, etc.; the Initial Proposal was well received. 'BIG' needs to see that the proposal is good – and that we are not duplicating the existing work of the County Council, but that we are supporting and complementing it – we need to show the cost effectiveness of the proposals. (Jackie noted that Jane Custance knows Graham Winwright from his work at Watford Borough Council – she will know 'which boxes to tick'!).

We need to make the case stronger, and include the email from Mark Aughterlony, the Planning Officer, who feels our Planning status is OK, subject to further detail. Decision in principle – why do we need it? 'BIG' Group meets 8th December and then every four weeks; are we a Charitable Trust – Bucks C.C. will need to see the Constitution and Timeline leading towards acquiring Charitable Trust status.

3.0 Figures – sinking fund for maintenance – funding – remove text in error below funding paragraphs in the Initial Proposal. Demonstrate more about fundings – what do we need from Bucks C.C.? Demonstrate how the benefit will be to Bucks C.C., and how we would benefit Adult Social Care.

Look for a 'Peppercorn' rent – subject to rising rent if profits from the participating companies are excessive; Bucks C.C. would wish us to operate an 'Open Books' policy to monitor rents. We might look to Leader Funding re-Rural Economy Community Chest – Sarah Rothwell to be contacted – Vital Villages, Lottery Funding. COMMA – Quarry Funding – Buckinghamshire Community Foundation; ACRE – Village Hall Grant; refer to vulnerable folk in the Community. Stephanie Moffat at AVDC for funding, Lynne Maddox, Clare Payne (Community Engagement) and (Community Safety).

4.0 Jackie referred to Dave Clifford who evidently runs a Community Car Scheme in Pitstone; she will liaise with Anne James who administers Rural Transport; she

mentioned 'Youth' – apparently the Local Area Forum might commission us to carry out specific work – perhaps provide up to £10,000. Intergenerational Activities are a priority – we MUST NOT look as if we are replicating the Children's Centre at Brookmead School, but that we are complementing it – liaise with Jane Plested at the Children's Centre. 'Jarrad and Jackie will help with persuading from a Police perspective'. Speak with Trevor Boyd who administers Services for Adult Care.

5.0 Jackie will liaise within Bucks C.C. as to how our proposal might work 'structurally'.

