



# **IVINGHOE OLD SCHOOL COMMUNITY HUB SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING – all welcome!**

To be held at 2.00pm on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2016  
in the Community Space in the Hub

## **REGISTERED CHARITY STATUS**

The Meeting is called to discuss a change to the Constitution which your Trustees would like to adopt – specifically Clause 2 – which has been suggested by the Charity Commission in response to our application to become a Registered Charity.

**Currently, Clause 2 (OBJECTIVES) of our Constitution reads:** 'To preserve the 19thC Ivinghoe Village School by voluntary effort and by any other means exclusively charitable for the benefit of the entire local community as a Hub for social activities that will bring the community together, including opportunities for social enterprise, social interaction and enhance village life. To promote such charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined. To ensure a balance of users so that the premises will never be able to take on any particular majority that would overwhelm the wishes of, or make to feel unwelcome any minority.'

**whereas the Charity Commission have suggested a form of wording which reads:**

*'To further or benefit the residents of Ivinghoe and the neighbourhood without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents. In furtherance of these objects but not otherwise, the trustees shall have power: to establish or secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain or manage or co-operate with any statutory authority in the maintenance and management of such a centre for activities promoted by the charity in furtherance of the above objects.'*

**Please come along to give your views!**