



TOLPUDDLE OLD CHAPEL TRUST

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Welcome

Friends of Tolpuddle Old Chapel Trust (TOCT) Newsletter – July 2018

The Trustees thank you for signing up as a 'Friend of TOCT' and welcome your support in our project to renovate this unique building as a 'quiet place in the heart of an historic Dorset village'. Much has happened in the last 3 years since TOCT purchased the Grade II* listed former Methodist chapel in Tolpuddle.



Planning Permission & Listed Building Consent

Our great news is that TOCT received planning permission and listed building consent to renovate and expend the Old Chapel.

We are extremely grateful to Architecton Bristol. Paul Richold, our lead designer and George Tasker his assistant have gone the extra mile in presenting imaginative and sensitive plans for the project. Historic England and David Chiplen, Conservation Officer at

West Dorset District Council have been invaluable in the development of the plans. The final building will not look dissimilar from Adrian Whittlesea's lovely original drawing.

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TOCT is grateful for all the individual donation, large and small. Every donation helps. We always acknowledge individual donations either by email or in the post. (Gift Aid adds to the value of each donation).

National and local bodies have also made donations towards the challenge of Match Funding in order to achieve the in-principle Round 2 grant from the National Lottery.

Grant pledges have been received from:

Historic England £64,600

West Dorset District Council £30,000

A Charitable Foundation £25,000

We still need to raise **£221,000** in Match Funding before September.



Our campaign poster for during the Tolpuddle Martyrs Festival and on our Twitter feed will hopefully attract not only attention but actual donations.

Tolpuddle Martyrs 'Festival

This year's Tolpuddle Martyrs' Festival takes place on Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd July.

If you are able to attend, please visit the Old Chapel, view the updated plans and meet the trustees and TOCT Link Volunteers.

Spread the Word

Please spread the word about this project and the unique building we are trying to save.

Visit our website - www.tolpuddleoldchapeltrust.org

Check out our twitter feed and please retweet



@TolpuddleOCT

How to get involved

Being able to show to funders the great support we now have from over 1200 'Friends of TOCT' has really helped our funding applications. As the project moves forward there will be opportunities to get involved and help in a number of ways. To have an informal chat contact Andrew by email to tolpuddleoctrust@btinternet.com

You have received this newsletter as we believe that you requested to be a 'Friend of TOCT' or are in some way associated with the project.

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