



Chair's Report March 2020 - March 2021

As Terry pointed out, we are now able to meet and build on our previous successes. This has been a landmark year for several reasons.

- i. We welcome Father Daniel and Mr Stephen Done to our Trustees. Father is the vicar of St Columba's Church (and possibly others) and Stephen is the Senior Specialist Museum Curator of the LFC Museum. We hope they too will enjoy working with us, to give Anfield a better future.
- ii. Largely due to Stephen's and Christine Mounsey's (Senior Coordinator, CorpSocial Responsibility) efforts, it's pleasing to announce that LFC is now one of our Patrons.
- iii. Our National Lottery Heritage Fund (NLHF) £50,300 grant was completed within budget, has been submitted and (hopefully) it will be signed off soon. The details of the work done are summarised in the end of grant Project Plan. If the completed grant is signed off, we will begin a NLHF (Stage One) Development application. If successful, we'll then apply for Stage Two funding to build the Heritage Centre.
- iv. Our Find a Grave service, supported by Ray, Karan and Steve, continues to help people from all over the world. The time and effort devoted to each search, the detail given, how it's presented, are really appreciated by the families requesting the information.
- v. Three new projects are underway.

Firstly, Terry is pursuing a replacement clock for the clock-tower. The original clock was taken away decades ago. LCC and Historic England have agreed to the replacement as long as there's no obvious external changes.

Secondly, Graham has volunteered to explore the possibility of tree planting on the South side of the cemetery, to reflect Kemp's original layout to the North, East and West.

Thirdly, Jane is looking into the possibility of introducing wildflowers to the cemetery grounds to encourage wildlife, its ecology and its appearance.

vi. Planning Permission for the installation of two information boards has been applied for. If granted, the boards will inform visitors of our aim to build an International Heritage and Visitor Centre at the South Chapel. In particular, they will be seeking the opinions of grave owners within 100 yards of the build (a legal necessity) and those of visitors.

vii. A request for 'Pre Planning Application' advice about the Heritage Centre is being sort. This will help prepare the way for the actual Planning Application when a variety of organisations will need to be consulted.

viii. Interested Parties' meetings with LCC and Historic England have been put on hold due to C19. However, it is hoped they will begin again some time after 21st June. These meetings discuss the progress of our Heritage Centre and Friends' activities.

ix. LCC have provided £12,000 of temporary internal structural support for the South Chapel. This is a real indication of LCC's continued support for Friends' ambitions and will strengthen our future funding applications.

x. Our Facebook membership has increased to **xxxxx and** thanks to the vigilance of our Admins, **Karan, Jane, Ray and Terry**, we've kept our membership informed and avoided controversies.

xi. An Expression of Interest for the Asset Transfer of the South Chapel will be discussed, now that we have a 5 Year Business and Cash Flow Plan from our Chartered Accountants. Note, we are not pursuing an actual Asset Transfer at this time. That will take place when we are in a position to do so.

xi. Hard copies of the plans for the Ground Floor of the chapel and the extension, comprising of a Ground Floor and First Floor are to be made available during this meeting.

There is also a 3D 'fly-past and fly-through' video available which can be sent to anyone who wishes to see it.

Once COVID 19 restrictions are lifted we hope to attract new members / participants. Suggestions include: photography, Art, litter picking, cleaning, gardening, nature watch, Find a Grave, historical research, organising tours or events and generally supporting our aim to establish an International Heritage and Visitor Centre.

Jane Little-Smith (Chair)



Friends of Anfield



Treasurer's Statement March 31st 2020 - March 31st 2021

Bank Account

2020 - 2021	IN	OUT	
Balance brought forward	£3,269.46	Trustee Expenses	£28
Donations	£657.93	Planning Fee (Boards)	£132
		Insurance	£75
Balance to be Carried Forward		£3,692.39	

NOTE - The balance carried forward is held in reserve for Friends' future insurance, activities, commitments and unexpected costs.

Resilient Heritage South Chapel Project

	IN	OUT	
Balance Brought Forward	£3,946.58	Architecture fees	£8,642.01
NLHF Grant	£20,120.00	Accountancy fees	£4,200.00
Refund of solicitor's fees	£134.80	Financial training	£235.00
		Community engagement	£3,375.00

OUT

Information board design £360.00

Pre Planning fees £420.00

HLF Mentor	£840.00
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Balance to be Carried Forward	£6,129.37
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Balance at Bank (£3,692.39 + £6,129.37) = £9,821.76

NOTES - Two cheques not yet presented to bank by Mentor and Community Engagement Professional (£840 plus £3,375).

Treasurer: **Date:** **Audited by:** **Date:**