

Bridgnorth Art Trail Working Group Meeting 24 April 2023

1. Present: Emma Spenser, Robert Davies, Brian Jones, John Hart



Apologies: Nicky Cooper, Kathy O'Connor

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Agreed. Some outstanding actions. Waiting for better weather to complete "introduction" to the Arts Trail video. JB has contacted JSR, awaiting date for meet up to discuss removal.

3. Statue Repairs: 3 large white scratches on the statue outside Card Stores needs repainting. **Start by contacting Rory to see if available to repair – suggest £100.** Vulnerable location.

SVR has got affected by weather again – discoloured but not mottled. Will leave with different hue.

The plinth bases also need cleaning and painting. Need to repaint at least lids / plinths for 27 May. **First JB to request litter pickers to clean up. Then volunteers from group to paint lids, before 27 may**

New Plaques needed for the 3 statues officially staying – with wording for plaque to replace the old one. John H offered wording by email.

4. Wording for the Farewell leaflet – ready to draft up

Time to say Goodbye – Art Trail Farewell : Your last chance to catch them all

This September, the Bridgnorth Art Trail will be closing after 5 successful years, so now's your final opportunity to pick up a free map from the library or from participating shops, complete the tour one last time and vote for your favourite statue – to be crowned "The People's Choice".

Closing Date: 5th September 2023.

How to Vote: Just complete the voting slip on the rear of this leaflet and deposit at the library into the voting box, or alternatively email : info@bridgnorth-art-trail.org.uk

RD asked Eddie Brown if we could use the montage of the 12 statues (plus no.13 squeezed in) for the photo – said yes as long as we credit to EB underneath the picture.

RD to secure electronic file for use. – we will show final version of leaflet to check if happy.

To add pict no 13 if possible.

Once we have pics, JB to circulate draft. JB to seek quotes from printers, including Bridgnorth Print, and to agree quote if below £300 for 2,500 copies full colour, A5 double sided.

What's What – July/August edition. ES asking deadline for content to send

JB send to Pete Carroll to alert him to wanting story for end of May – support for community project.

SVR brochure in the train – me to email SVR

In time for 20 July, get flyers out to schools and wider press

22 May next meeting.

5. Statues removal – JB to pursue JSR by phone, invite BJ to join, not wed.

AOB.

Community Gardening Project – garden at Foundry site sponsored by Bridgnorth Aluminium. The Group want to move the statue further back into site, off the plinth.

Request to CGP, they need to consult with Civic Society on location and plinth as sponsors of statue. Equally Trevithick 200 society would prefer to keep the interpretation panel in its current location.

Update from Trevithick 200 society, interest in developing the legacy trail – Trevithick Trail – with stars/stones set in footpath (like Hollywood walk of stars) to replace the art trail, leading visitors to the locomotives.

Different themed walks starting from Library (wildlife, mindfulness, Trevithick).