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Forty-first Annual Report 2007-08

# NOTTINGHAMSHIRE BUILDING PRESERVATION TRUST LIMITED

# **COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT**

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Mrs E A Mays

Ashfield District Council

Cllr K Sheppard

Newark & Sherwood District

Council

Mr G A Turner RIBA

Mr A Wahlers

# ADDITIONAL CO-OPTED MEMBERS

Mr B M Allebon

Mr G Beaumont

Mr J Mordan

# NOTTINGHAMSHIRE BUILDING PRESERVATION TRUST LIMITED

## REPORT ON THE YEAR'S ACTIVITIES: APRIL 2007 - MARCH 2008

This has been a significant year in the life of the Trust, for as one of the earliest building preservation trusts in the country, we celebrated our fortieth anniversary. On a glorious day in early October we marked the event with a lunch held at Langar Hall. Not only was this a lovely venue, but it was also a most fitting choice as Imogen Skirving has been a member of the Trust for many years, and also served as Vice-Chairman and Chairman for a period in the 1980s. The occasion was well supported, with forty members attending - and as so often, Graham Beaumont gave a stimulating illustrated talk on the work of the Trust, focussing on its formation in 1967 and early projects in the years thereafter.

The start of this year saw the completion of the sale of 10 Asher Lane, Ruddington. Following the successful conclusion of this project, members of the Trust, together with representatives of Rushcliffe Borough Council and the local community, as well as a number of people with historic links to the property, enjoyed an opportunity in early September to view the restoration and further work being undertaken by the new owner.

Since then, attention has turned to Thoroton Dovecote, currently the only building owned by the Trust. Dating from probably the 14<sup>th</sup> century, this is the single example of a thatched dovecote remaining in Nottinghamshire, its robust stone walls originally housing 600 nesting boxes. The Council of Management in the autumn took the decision to allocate funding for repair of the thatched roof, and Brian Allebon generously undertook to complete the restoration by providing a glover. We were also extremely grateful to receive a donation of £1,000 towards the cost of the project from Councillor Martin Suthers, member for Bingham, under the County Council's EDI scheme. However it has taken some time to secure quotations from suitable thatchers, and insurance for a building whose value is difficult to quantify.

Listed Building consent will also be necessary for the glover. Together, these considerations have led to delay in the project coming to fruition, but we hope that restoration can be completed in the coming year.

Since the summer, Graham Beaumont, Alan Wahlers and David Atkins have been closely involved with plans to restore part of the north range of *The Saracen's Head Hotel in Southwell*. The Southwell Heritage Trust is keen to restore the upper floor of this part of the building, which features a historic crown post roof structure, for use primarily as a heritage centre. The scheme is still at a very early stage, but through Graham, Alan and David, NBPT is providing significant knowledge, expertise and advice in support of what – if successful – promises to be a restoration project of great significance in this region.

During the year concerns about a number of other buildings have also been investigated by members of the Technical Panel and discussed at meetings of the Projects Committee. These include *Kimberley Brewery*, *Colwick Manor Farm*, *Manor Lodge Worksop*, the *Kennels at Kings Clipstone*, *Calverton Folk Museum* and *Oxton Ice House/Cock Pit*. All will continue to be kept under review. Technical Panel members have also continued to support local councils by making observations in response to planning applications where these have been invited, particularly in the areas of Gedling, Bassetlaw and Mansfield.

2007 also saw the *Trust's office* move to Southwell. This was necessitated by the desire of our previous landlord in West Bridgford to extend his business, and in doing so, to absorb the room we had hitherto occupied for many years. Finding suitable premises which met our requirements in terms of both space and cost was not easy, and we were fortunate to acquire the one remaining office in The Minster Chambers – a convenient venue because for many years both Council of Management and Projects Committee meetings have been held in conference rooms in the same building.

The *AGM* in 2007 was held on 5<sup>th</sup> December at The Minster Centre in Southwell. Following the formal business and refreshments, members attending were invited to remain as observers at the Council of Management meeting which followed immediately afterwards.

It was with sadness that we received Geoff Turner's decision, announced at this meeting, that he would not be seeking re-election as Hon. Secretary, a position he has held for a considerable time. Geoff's contribution has been immense: to many people reading this report, his name will be synonymous with the Trust. In his role he oversaw activities in the office, including the work of the administrative assistant. For many years he also took on the responsibility of company secretary and prepared the annual report. He organised social events for members and recorded minutes of all meetings of the Council of Management and the Projects Committee. We plan to hold an event later in 2008 to mark Geoff's retirement, and are very pleased that he is both willing to remain on the Council and also to continue to scrutinise planning applications received from Gedling Borough Council with whom he has had a long association.

Following Geoff's retirement we were delighted that David Atkins agreed to accept the nomination to succeed him as Hon. Secretary.

The Trust is once again indebted to Gedling and Rushcliffe Borough Councils for their continuing financial contribution to its activities. And to those – in particular the members of the Technical Panel – who willingly give their time and expertise on its behalf. It is also hard to believe that Marion Edwards, our Administrative Assistant, only joined us just before the start of the year. She bore most of the burden of the considerable disruption caused by building alterations at our West Bridgford premises prior to the move to Southwell, and we appreciate the energy and enthusiasm which she brings to her role.

We have taken steps to extend publicity for the Harry Johnson Award, next due to be staged in 2008, and anticipate increased interest and entries. With these, the restoration of the Thoroton dovecote and the prospect of continuing involvement in plans for the Saracen's Head in Southwell, we are looking forward to another interesting year ahead.

Sue Summers Chairman

### LIST OF MEMBERS 2007-2008

Mr D L Adlam Mr B Allebon Mr & Mrs D D Atkins

Mr & Mrs D Bagley
Mr L Barlow
Miss M Barron
Miss I N Basford
Mr G Beaumont
Mrs J W Bennett
Bingham Local History Society
Mr H S Blagg
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Mr C Booth RIBA
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Mr & Mrs B P Bradley
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Burton Joyce & Bulcote Local History

Society

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Caunton Local History Society
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Mr T M Fenning Mr H Fisher Mr G M T Foljambe Franklin Ellis Architects Ltd Mrs V Fry

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Cllr N Lawrence
Miss M R Leach
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Mrs B Lees
Miss L Lewenz
Mrs B Llewellyn-Lindsay
Local History Society
Dr & Mrs J K Lloyd-Jones
Mrs J Lythqoe

Mr K E Martin
Mr D G Martin
Cllr Mrs E A Mays
Mr H J McClintock
Mrs J McConnell
Mr P McGowan
Mrs J S Messom
Mr & Mrs A J B Mitchell
Mr J R Mordan
Mr D C Morris
Mr & Mrs C D Muirhead
Mr A Mulcahy

Newton Greenwood Architects
Mr J L Noble
Mrs M A Noble
Nottingham Civic Society
Nuthall & District Local History Society
Mrs J M Nutting

Mr & Mrs G M Olifent Mr & Mrs D Ostick

Mr M E Pennington Mr & Mrs R Phillips Dr & Mrs M A L Pringle Mrs S Punt Miss S Pynegar

Mr H V Radcliffe MBE
Mr A E Ranshaw
Mr E V Royle
Ruddington Local History &
Archaeology Society
Ruddington Parish Council

Mr P H Saunders
Mrs J Seagar JP
Cllr K W Sheppard
Mrs S Sinfield
Mrs I M Skirving
Mrs E A Staunton
Mr R Stewart
Cllr Mrs M Stockwood
Miss S A Summers
Sutherland Craig Partnership

Prof R B Tate
Mr J F Taylor
Miss M Thornley
Thoroton Society of
Nottinghamshire
Mr S C Thrall
Trowell Womens Institute
Ms G M T Turland
Mrs C Turner
Mrs I Turner
Mr G A Turner RIBA
Mrs E M Tutin
Tuxford Parish Council
Mr P M Tvers

Mr A J Wahlers Mr J M Walker RIBA Mrs M Wallwork Mrs E Ward-McQuaid Mr N M Waring Mr A E Woolrich Worksop Manor Estates

## Nottinghamshire Building Preservation Trust Limited

#### Report of the Auditors to the members

We have audited the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2008 in accordance with auditing standards, having regard to the following matters:

The Trust, in common with many Charities, derives a substantial proportion of its income from legacies and other voluntary donations. These cannot be fully controlled until they are entered in the accounting records and are not therefore capable of independent audit verification.

Subject to the foregoing, in our opinion the Financial Statements, which have been properly prepared under the historical cost convention, give a true and fair view of the state of the Trust's affairs at 31 March 2008 and of the results shown on the Income and Expenditure Account, for the year.

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John N G Howitt

Chartered Accountants: Registered Auditors

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3 December 2008

#### NOTTINGHAMSHIRE BUILDING PRESERVATION TRUST LIMITED

### INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

	2008		2007 £	£
INCOME	£	£	L	L
Local Authorities Subscriptions Bank interest received Donations Miscellaneous – Events Less: Expenses	780 920	1,800 787 3,063 10	0	2,800 1.092 1,529 165
		-140		0
Surplus on sale of property	_	53,891	_	0
		59.411		5,586
LESS EXPENSES				
Administration Printing, stationery & adverts Postage Annual Report & Newsletter Bank charges – commission Company registration fee Meeting expenses Harry Johnson Award Insurances Removal costs Audit fee Subscriptions	4,868 291 172 156 0 30 180 28 420 290 470 60		16,482 294 150 198 -407 30 322 0 569 0 450 60	
LESS OFFICE EXPENSES				
Rent, rates and utilities Telephone Depreciation	1,078 429 116 1,623		2,157 209 116 ——————————————————————————————————	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	,	8,588	<u> </u>	20,630
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR	-	50,823	-	-15,044

### NOTTINGHAMSHIRE BUILDING PRESERVATION TRUST LIMITED

## **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2008**

	2008		2007	
	£	£	£	£
I IXED ASSETS				
I urniture and fittings Written down value brought forward Additions	462	_	578 0	
Less: Depreciation for the year	462 116	346	578 <u>116</u>	462
CURRENT ASSETS		0.0		
Cash at bank and on deposit Project in progress Asher Lane Debtors: VAT repayable Prepayments Cash in hand	91,798 0 646 60 20	_	52,191 2,432 3,795 0 20	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	92,524	_	<u>5</u> 8,438	
CURRENT LIABILITIES  Deposit on Asher Lane Creditors and accruals	0 475	-	16,250 1,258	
	475		17,508	
	-	92,049	-	40,930
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES/ASSETS	_	92,395		41,392
CAPITAL AND RESERVES : FUNDS REVOLVING FUND:				
Balance brought forward Add: Receipts Less: Expenditure Transfer to Accumulated Fund	33,944 0 0 0		48,988 0 0 -15,044	
ACCUMULATED FUND:		33,944		33,944
Balance brought forward Transfer from Revolving Fund Excess of Expenditure/Income for year	0 0 50,823		0 -15,044 15,044	
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DOVECOTE FUND:		50,025		Ü
Balance brought forward Income for year	7,448 180		7,273 175	
		7,628		7,448
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