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REPORT ON THE YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

During the past year, Conservation and Green issues have become generally, as well as politically, better known and socially acceptable. To this extent, the work of the Trust has assumed a higher profile. The increase in property prices also had an effect in that, whereas the Trust had once to encourage buildings to be renovated and brought back into use, the greater effort now is in restraining the pressure from over-enthusiastic developers.

The single Revolving Fund Committee, now meeting at Newark, has been very active over the year, probing and stimulating the controlled restoration and re-use of a number of properties. Some of the schemes in which the Trust has been actively involved are as follows:

- Shireoaks Station - British Rail's offer to sell the Station to the Trust for a nominal sum remains open, although the legal processes are taking rather longer than was envisaged. It is hoped to bring this building back into a new use during the coming year.
- St. Leonards Court Cottages, Newark - This proposal is part of the Bargate Scheme for Newark and involves the restoration of six cottages. The Trust has made an offer, subject to conditions, to purchase the cottages from Newark District Council at the District Valuer's valuation, in order to ensure that the cottages are properly restored, with on-going maintenance.
- Cottages at Willoughby-on-the-Wolds - An agreement has been made with the owner's widow to carry out the scheme as previously discussed. The layout is subject to the acquisition of some access land and this is being energetically pursued.
- 53 Moorgate, Retford - A feasibility and structural report was being carried out on the property, which has been under threat for some time.
- Icehouse at Annesley - With encouragement and advice from the Trust, the restoration of this structure, part of the Annesley Estate, was carried out and financed by Kodak Ltd.

The Technical Panel has held regular meetings to consider planning applications, buildings of interest, the recording of buildings and to arrange events, coach trips, slide evenings and the publication of the Newsletter.

The Technical Advisers commented on one hundred and forty planning applications which affected listed buildings or buildings within Conservation Areas in the County and gave evidence in a number of planning appeals. The Trust is gratified to record that some notice was taken of the views expressed.

The annual coach trip was made to Compton Wynates in Warwickshire. This house is not open to the public and the Trust was privileged to be shown round what is the home of the Marquess of Northampton. The trip was well supported and most successful.

During the year, a new form of Newsletter was produced, which included contributions from other Societies and was circulated to a far wider readership. It is proposed to continue and extend this publication.

Slide evenings were held, during the Winter evenings, at the homes of members to whom the Trust is very grateful. The culmination of these events was a barbecue held at Hickling which attracted a record number of members.

In memory of a founder member of the Trust, the Harry Johnson Award has now been launched in collaboration with the C.P.R.E. The award is for the best new building or the restoration of an old building within a village setting and entries have been invited for the coming year.

A grant has been paid to the Family First Training Scheme, in order that farm buildings in Laxton can be measured and recorded, whilst giving training to young people under qualified supervision.

The 1988 A.G.M. was held at The Lace Hall, Nottingham. Following the business meeting, an illustrated talk was given by Mr. John Severn on the work of the Trust.

CONTRIBUTIONS:

The Trust would like to record its appreciation of the grants made by Local Authorities for the year 1988/89. The amounts received were as follows:

Nottinghamshire County Council	£ 1,000
Nottingham City Council	£ 1,630
Newark & Sherwood District Council	£ 2,000
Gedling Borough Council	£ 1,580
Rushcliffe Borough Council	£ 500

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