



WELCOME

It's been a long hot summer and it's not over yet! Please take the opportunity to relax with a Pimm's or a beer as we will bring you up to date with the Old Police Station redevelopment.

FUNDRAISING

We need another £150k to complete the conversion and development.

We're applying for grants where we can but, even if successful, these will only take us a little way towards our goal, so we'll be working hard, with your help, to generate the remainder.

HATS OFF TO YOU!

You've been great, just think:

- you've saved this property and added it to the High Street stock
- you'll add anywhere between one and four new businesses to the High Street
- you're in the process of building two one-bedroom flats for someone local (at below market value)
- you're building a community hub and community garden
- you're adding disabled access

People won't necessarily know who you are, but now and into the future, people will appreciate what you've been part of and what you've done.

Membership is now at 150, a significant milestone, but please rally others to join.



WE NEED YOUR HELP

Many people are still not aware of what we're doing and why. It's clear, that although we're trying to communicate through many different mediums, we're still missing a lot of people. Can you please try and help us spread the word. For our part we're going to offer to pop along to local groups and reconfirm what we're doing and offer everyone a chance to ask us any questions to reinforce the great work that's going on.

PR EXPERTISE

Ours/Yours is a great project but we need to convey this better and wider. We are a small group with a wide and varying skillset and are driving the development forward well, but it would help us greatly if we had some PR expertise. If you can help or know someone who can, please let us know.

OUR EXCELLENT VOLUNTEERS

- WE CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH

The builder installed the structural steels and our 30 volunteers have spent well over 500 hours to-date on destruction. Stripping everything, clearing the site, cleaning and saving 3,500 bricks, barrowing hardcore and rubble to the rear for the car park base and breaking it down with sledgehammers.



There is more to do as we get closer to the point where destruction ends, and the internal build begins. But your volunteering is invaluable and we hope you will continue to help us going forward.

In recognition of this humongous effort, plans are afoot for our volunteers to receive a little thank you from the Directors!

BUILDING WORKS - NEXT STEPS

- Groundworks for the drains and extensions including archaeological oversight
- Studding for the two one-bedroom flats
- Wiring for the flats
- Soundproofing between the flats and also between the flats and the commercial units beneath
- Satisfy Planning conditions on the rendering finish at the front of the building, and agree the material to be used for the doors and the windows. Then source!

HIGH STREET STRATEGY GROUP - WOW, 432 RESPONSES!

432 responses were received – way beyond our expectations! – so thank you to all who completed it. Have a look at the response detail on the news section of our website: crickladefoundation.org.uk



The idea is to use the survey to help us to unlock funding from Wiltshire Council's 'Towns Programme.' This is a new scheme to help rejuvenate Wiltshire's market

towns. It's early days and details of the initiative are sketchy, so watch this space!

COMMUNITY AREA/GARDEN

After discussion with Cricklade Bloomers, we have approached landscapers to come up with a design for the community garden. When we have more detail, we'll share this with you.

WALKWAY

Some progress has been made on the timeline of the Queen's life/reign, which will be a feature of the new pedestrian walkway through the building, courtesy of lottery grant funding and the help of Cricklade Historical Society. Thanks to all for completing our short Facebook survey (there will be more!); the results are now with Pam Debenham.

CONTACT US

As always, if you wish to ask questions, offer advice or share your ideas, please feel free to get in touch. We will be pleased to hear from you! contact@crickladefoundation.org.uk



The RSJs (i.e. the "steels") being delivered - 13th June 2022



Some of the hardcore and rubble that has been moved and broken down to form the base for the extended parking area at the rear of the property - 10th August 2022

