

Minutes of meeting held at Crich 7th. July 1985

Present: A.W.Bond, J.B.Brooke, W.G.S.Hyde, M.C.Wright.

Discussion centred on the necessity of some short term work to improve the general presentation of the Museum but without diverting effort on completing the bridge and surrounding area.

Poles
Steps

Wakebridge - Recommended that workshop resources be deployed on refurbishing the octagon including a new counter, new flooring and repainting. Attention be given to refurbishing the various PW items displayed at Wakebridge, providing descriptive labels and mounting them on small plinths. Attention to be given to works car W21 which is suffering from exposure to weather.

JBB

Workshop - Consideration was given to cladding the workshop wall and John Brooke to investigate the possibility of fixing an expanded metal trellis to the wall and rendering this to give a stucco effect. Tests to be carried out ~~on~~ on a small section of corrugated asbestos.

2 Holes
? new

PW work - Recommended that priority be given to removing the disused turnout and track in front of the stone workshop and to instal a kerb line in order to give an effect of continuity to the street. Recommended also that the spur on the west side of the depot fan be re-aligned to give access in future to the proposed traverser, thus allowing a general tidying up of the VPA.

East side of main line - Complete excavation of bank behind and south of oil store and instal kerb at a distance of 9'6" from tram track.

Bridge area - It was recommended that work be carried out to allow road vehicle access to the main areas of the Museum under the bridge. ~~Refuse~~ The work to include construction of a vehicle access ramp north of the present ramp, John Brooke estimated that the cost of this, including the necessary earthmoving, surfacing and landscaping would be app. £1,000. Following this the trackbed from the foot of this ramp to the area of the present setts be filled to rail head level for road vehicle use. Before any work on this area could be started it is imperative that the alignment of the quarry access road be finalised. The Board be asked to report on the present position.

At this point Alison Isaacs was asked to attend the meeting to discuss proposals for refurbishing the Tea Rooms.

It was proposed that costings be obtained to purchase new wooden tables and chairs to replace the existing seating, to cut back the two T shaped shelves at the back of the building and to lay down new flooring. Miss Isaacs was asked to investigate the cost of acquiring new crockery to replace the plastic items at present in use, a dishwasher and a new oven. She was also asked to give thought to the staff wearing uniforms. Further improvements to be considered were the re-siting of the storage freezers away from the public area. Miss Isaacs drew attention to the poor state of the structure of the ice cream kiosk and it was agreed to consider replacing it and also re-siting it. At her request John Brooke was to investigate and obtain costs for getting a water supply to Wakebridge, thus allowing an expansion of the catering facilities there.

JBB

Finally it was agreed that Michael Davis be co-opted on to the committee and be asked to attend future meetings.

Next meeting - 21st. July with Mr. Soper to discuss proposed Town End development.

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