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Organisation Details

Name: Monk Fryston Time Team

Address:
Monk Fryston
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Project Details

Project Title / Description:

DESIGN AND PRODUCTION OF A VILLAGE HISTORY TRAIL
BOOKLET INCORPORATING LOCAL WALKS

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Q1 In no more than 500 words please outline the key outcomes of your project.

It has spread awareness of local heritage and local walks – the booklet is titled *Monk Fryston Past and Present* at one end and at the other is titled *Monk Fryston Village Walks*

It has signposted visitors to key features and buildings to view and understand when in the area.

It has drawn attention to local hospitality services offered by six local businesses – these provide either take away food and beverages, or table food service and overnight accommodation as well as toilets for visitors.

It provides a written record of some of the research undertaken by the local history group – Monk Fryston Time Team

It provides a pictorial record of past and present scenes of village life. It provides a keepsake for former residents to link them to their past in the village.

It provides a souvenir for non-residents who visit the area.

Q2 In no more than 500 words please demonstrate how the project has met the Community Development Plan objectives that were identified in the original application for funding.

SENSE OF COMMUNITY The booklet commemorates the past and demonstrates to the reader that the village has a unique and special past and also that it is a vibrant community that organises events for local people to enjoy and take part in. It highlights the reasons for residents to be proud of where they live.

After the heritage information boards were installed in 2017, local people have been able to show them to friends and family and the boards are linked to the text in the booklet.

LOCAL SERVICES The booklet signposts readers to local services offering hospitality and to the heritage resource of the Grade 1 listed Church of St Wilfrid's.

The Time Team local history group has made a 3 year distribution agreement with six local marketing partners: The Crown Inn, The Village Stores, The Barn Bed and Breakfast, Monk Fryston Hall Hotel, Berts Barrow and The Cross Keys Pub to supply copies of the booklet. 1000 copies have been printed and over 200 copies distributed since publication in August 2018.

The Barn B&B and the Hotel are putting the booklet into their guest Welcome packs.

Q3 In no more than 250 words please give details of any additional benefits or objectives that the project has met that were not anticipated/ outlined in the original application for funding.

The project has triggered further research by members of the local history group and led to re-examination of the evidence already gathered.

The project has increased our appreciation of the value of having listed buildings (12 listings) and Conservation Area status for the village and the protection these measures provide for future developments of the built environment. It has also highlighted the need for more attention to be paid by the authorities to protecting the natural resources of our village green spaces, footpaths and trees.

The walking route planning highlighted the lack of traffic free routes for walking and the lack of maintenance on existing public footpaths.

The project gave Time Team members the opportunity to develop new skills in team working, drafting documents, preparing trails and taking photographs. They are now preparing a Village Trail for Burton Salmon.

Sales of the booklet have generated further history information being offered to Time Team – which is wonderful.

Any other comments on the project and its success:

We are grateful for the support of Western CEF and their patience in getting the booklet prepared and published. The printing by Regency Printers Ltd cost £691 and the design and layout by Martin Davies cost £550.

So far the booklet has been well received. It completes the aim of the local history group to find the past of a patently old settlement, to record it and make it more widely known.

This WCEF project complements the Heritage Lottery Funded *Finding Fryston: discovering our heritage from the Monks to the Victorians* project. This has published a comprehensive dig and project report, provided four heritage information boards on village streets, provided three history information banners in the local church and established a mini museum of local artefacts in the village hotel. The group have also researched the history of Monk Fryston Hall Parklands under the guidance of the Yorkshire Gardens Trust Selby District Historic Designed Landscapes Project.

The *Finding Fryston* report is available in local libraries and the *Monk Fryston Hall Park and Gardens* report is available on the Yorkshire Gardens Trust website and also at the Borthwick Institute York University.