

SOUTHWELL CIVIC SOCIETY CIO

TRUSTEES REPORT 2021/22

The Board met regularly during the year as did the Planning Committee. All meetings were virtual.

The Society monitored all planning applications received by the District and County Councils and made representations where necessary. Amongst the applications was one for a large solar farm lying between Halloughton and Westhorpe which the Society strongly objected to. It was refused by the District Council but was successful upon appeal. The Society gave evidence at the Public Enquiry. Another application is the ongoing controversial plan by Sainsburys for a retail store on a gateway site off Nottingham Road. This has been strenuously opposed by the Society at all stages. Objections have been made on policy, highway, environmental and adverse retail impact grounds.

The Trust has decided to remain as a member of Civic Voice for the time being following that umbrella organisation ending insurance of individual societies.

The Trust is actively trying to regain occupation of its former storage space at the Old Court House which would save having to pay rent for a shared room in Minster Chambers.

A tea party in the State Chamber was given to mark Christine Measures retirement to Shropshire after many years of design and drawing work for the Society.

In July tours were organised, by courtesy of the current owners, of the renovation work going on at the two houses comprising the former Norwell Prebendal house.

Most recently the Society had a talk at Brackenhurst by Julia Davies on the history of the Hall and its former residents.

The Society has 152 members.

It continues to care for its large archive of historic photographs which are available to the public online and in person. The Society also has a growing collection of historic prints, paintings and books which have been bequeathed to it.

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31st July 2022

BALANCE SHEET at 31st July

Treasurer

Date: 28/9/2022

..... Auditor

Date: 29/09/2022