

# Save the Storey Arms.

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## *The “Storey” so far...*

The campaign to Save the Storey is gathering momentum, and we need to keep it going! The aim of this, the first of several newsletters, is to keep you up to date with progress.

## *Public meeting*

The public meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> February 2014 had an encouraging turn out with over fifty people in attendance. Many questions were answered and ideas shared. Plans were on display showing some of the possibilities achievable in the bar and lounge areas. These plans are just ideas and are not set in stone. Your input and ideas are key to the development of the pub.

The level of interest on the social media sites almost tripled over night following the public meeting showing there is great interest in saving our village pub. The possibilities for our ‘Storey ‘reaching far and wide are endless.

We now have four working groups made up of volunteers from around the village who have very kindly offered their time and expertise. The groups are Business planning, Building, Marketing and Funding. By dividing up the tasks each group will be able to focus on developing the plan much more quickly and comprehensively.

## *Shares and pledges*

After some debate, the price at which you can buy a share and a vote is to change to a minimum of £250 and a maximum of £20,000 although we believe the maximum could soon change to £100,000. All donations of greater and lesser amounts are all welcome.

The setup of the share platform Microgenius ([www.microgenius.org.uk](http://www.microgenius.org.uk)) is on-going and a further update will be published as soon as we have a launch date and have finalise the prospectus. This will enable you make your pledge/donation online. Please note that when Microgenius is active, no money will be taken until pledges/donations reach an agreed target figure. When the target is reached, you will be notified of a date that your pledge/donation will be taken. The target figure is yet to be set as we are still gathering information regarding the level of financing required although figures of £190,000, to be raised by pledges and donations and £78,000 via grants and funding look likely.

## *Save our Storey*

We have also enclosed a small poster with this Newsletter. Please show your support by displaying it prominently in your window. This is the first of many ideas we have for getting the message out to SAVE THE STOREY!

Don't forget to follow our progress and keep up to date with events at The Storey Arms via our Facebook page (Save The Storey Arms) on Twitter (@storeyarms) and on the website [www.TheStoreyArms.co.uk](http://www.TheStoreyArms.co.uk). There is lots of information on the website, including the presentation made at the public meeting, but if you don't have internet access, then please call Jon Clarke on 07887767172 and he can provide you with a printed copy.

We have had lots of volunteers come forward after the meeting, so we would like to thank them, but if anyone else is interested in helping, then please let us know. Details are on the website.