

BPSCP report 2024

Although as yet we are still waiting for the land to be transferred to the charity group we have still been moving forward with our plans for the transformation of the site .

Firstly we have had complete architects plans drawn for the site as a whole , with further individual plans having been completed for a larger and more environmentally friendly wildlife pond and completed plans for the information block for conversion into a café in order to enable the site to be self funding in the future . We have also been in contact with Cllr Chris Chambers and SCC education with a proposal to convert the workshop building into an early years education facility / Preschool

With both of those plans in mind we have applied for and are pleased to say we have had authorised amendments to the restrictive covenants on the site to enable these two projects to go ahead on the proviso that MSDC grant required planning permissions, we as a charity also insisted that included in those permissions was a clause that requires that any financial profit on the site must be put towards the maintenance and improvement of the site , we have also taken on board the request of the public and councillors to amend our constitution to the affect that if the charity fails the land will revert back to the BPC and intend to put this into place at our next formal meeting .

We have also had a full ecology survey completed on the site with the Assistance of cllr David Penny who kindly provided details of a professional who could complete this work for us

A complete business plan has also been commissioned to enable future fund raising and we are currently in the process of completing

all pre-project works in preparation for planning permission and grant funding applications .

Finally we would like to thank the Barham parish council MSDC and SCC for their continued support