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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**including September addendum**

between

**The Brill Society**

and

**Brill Parish Council**

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This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) sets down the terms and understanding between The Brill Society and Brill Parish Council in order to raise funds and purchase Hartwell's Barn and Saunders Field, to be known as *The Property* for the purpose of this MoU.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Parish Council have decided after a meeting on 23/8/2023 that they are not the appropriate body to purchase *The Property* but The Brill Society is a more suitable vehicle as it is a registered charity. Purchase of *The Property* also align with the Brill Society's governing document, which states it is:

*For the public benefit for the following purposes in the area comprising the parish of Brill in the County of Buckinghamshire (hereinafter referred to as the area of benefit):*

- 1. to educate the public particularly in the geography, history, natural history and architecture of the area of benefit;*
- 2. to secure the preservation, conservation, protection, development and improvement of features of historic or public interest in the area of benefit;*
- 3. to promote high standards of planning and architecture in or affecting the area of benefit;*
- 4. to or for such other charitable purposes for the benefit of the inhabitants of the area of benefit as the charity through its executive committee may from time to time determine.*

## **PURPOSE**

The goals of the partnership will be to jointly promote and explore all opportunities to raise sufficient funds for the purchase of *The Property*.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- The Brill Society will set up all fund-raising streams and collect all donations into a designated bank account.
- The Brill Society will record all donations to ensure the return of any donations should the purchase be unsuccessful.
- The Brill Society will setup a protective Trust that will enable the transfer of *The Property* immediately on completion of the sale.

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- The Brill Society will draft a governance document for the Trust.
  - The Trust governance document will designate a number of Trustees from the community, this will include, but not limited to, two members of The Brill Society and two councillors from Brill Parish council.
  - The Brill Parish Council will inform the seller of this agreement and introduce The Brill Society to the seller no later than the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023.
  - The Brill Parish Council will set out an agreement to permit the Trust an easement for limited vehicle access to *The Property*.
  - Brill Parish Council will assist and support the reclassification of *The Property* as a Heritage and Cultural centre.
  - Brill Parish Council will enter into consultation with the Trust to agree to the appropriate upgrade of *The Property* to insure it is suitable for disabled access.

## FUNDRAISING

It will be made clear in all fundraising publicity and documentation that Brill Parish Council endorse the project led by The Brill Society for the purchase of *The Property*.

Both parties will make clear to donors that all gifts will go solely toward the purchase of *The Property*.

### Addendum September 2023

Further to a Parish Council meeting on September 19<sup>th</sup>, which was attended by several members of The Brill Society, the partnership of TBS and BPC insofar as it relates to the purchase of Hartwell's Barn and Saunders Field was debated in the open meeting and the following addendum was proposed by BPC.

All parties agreed that the most important issue is that the site is purchased for the village.

After discussion, Brill Parish Council proposed that instead of the August MoU agreement, that upon purchase the site is owned 50/50 between The Brill Society and Brill Parish Council and the original proposed Trust is then set up to manage the site in perpetuity.


## REVISED RESPONSIBILITIES

- The Brill Society will set up all fund-raising streams and collect all donations into a designated bank account.
- The Brill Society will record all donations to ensure the return of any donations should the purchase be unsuccessful.
- The Brill Society in partnership with Brill Parish Council will setup a protective Trust that will be responsible for the site in perpetuity.
- The deed of sale will be signed by both The Brill Society and Brill Parish Council.
- The Brill Society will draft a governance document for the Trust – final version to be agreed by the Partnership.

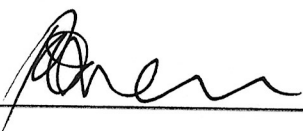
- The Trust governance document will designate a number of Trustees from the community, this will include, but not limited to, two members of The Brill Society and two councillors from Brill Parish council.
- The Brill Parish Council will inform the seller of this agreement and introduce The Brill Society to the seller no later than the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023.
- An easement is no longer required if Brill Parish Council are part owners of the site.
- Brill Parish Council will assist and support the reclassification of *The Property* as a Heritage and Cultural centre.
- Brill Parish Council will enter into consultation with the Trust to agree to the appropriate upgrade of *The Property* to insure it is suitable for disabled access.

Signed and Witnessed by:

**Chair The Brill Society:**


Signed:  Printed: A FISHER Date: 21/9/23

**Witnessed by:**


Signed:  Printed: P B NORMAN Date: 21/09/23

Position: TREASURER

**Chair Brill Parish Council:**

Signed:  Printed: E SPRINGS Date: 21-9-23

**Witnessed by:**

Signed:  Printed: BOBB DAMERELL Date: 21/9/23

Position: CLERK TO BRILL PARISH COUNCIL