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The Clerk
Tattenhall & District Parish Council
By email

Dear Ann

In early 2020, before the pandemic hit, the Parish Council granted the Barbour Institute a sum of money to purchase a shed which was to be used for storage on the Millfield.

It was not possible to use this money at the time and it is only now that the Trustees have started to look into the purchase and erection of the shed. The cost of the actual shed is, however, far outweighed by the cost of installing a solid base and putting up the building and we have concluded that our money could be put to better use and have decided not to go ahead.

The money has been ring fenced in our accounts and can be returned to the Parish Council but the Trustees would like to ask whether it can be repurposed for another project which would have community use and benefit, as well as reducing the Institute's carbon footprint.

In the main hall, there is a gantry with stage lighting which is used by TADS, by choirs, by wedding parties and by community groups. The lights use halogen bulbs and are now old fashioned, use a lot of energy and get very hot, posing a possible fire risk if they are in use for a long time. In partnership with TADS, the Trustees would like to replace these lights with LEDs which are much more energy efficient and safer.

Depending on which lights are chosen, and on whether a set can be obtained second hand, the cost is likely to be considerable and there will have to be much fund raising to cover this. The Trustees are proposing that the original Parish Council grant to the Barbour Institute could be put towards the cost of this project.

The Trustees hope that this proposal will meet with approval and look forward to hearing from the Parish Council in due course.

Yours sincerely

Patricia Black

Chair of Trustees (Tattenhall Community Association)

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