Meeting of Trustees of Martello Tower 24 30th September 2019

1. Present - Richard, Peter, Denise, Andrew, Barry, Maureen, Absent - apologies from Adrian illness.

2. Minutes of last meeting Agreed

3. Finance
3.1 Treasurer's report
Not a lot has happened.
Balance £5,0550. Includes 2 grants.
Estimated income to March 2020 £2996. Thanks to Adrian for report.
3.2 F and H D C grants
We have received two grants from our two district councillors which will be spent shortly.
3.3 F and H D C High Street regeneration fund
Denise to ask Ian if we were eligible. (We are). Fund applications open tomorrow.

4. Repairs to Tower

4.1 Update

Peter and Barry met EH. Large voids were found under coping stones. Work is on schedule. Main drain runs causing a problem. Windows have been completely replaced. Peter and Barry brought up hole in floor by stairs band also feet of stairs to ground floor which need repairs. Work should be completed by end of November weather permitting and no further problems.

4.2 Display panels

Old boards have been removed. Will be replaced by temporary boards. EH will replace boards, but would like input from us on content. Display committee will meet in next week to discuss and tell EH what we would like on temporary and permanent boards. Also how we envisage other displays in future. Old boards - to be kept for information if possible. To be photographed.

4.3 Limewash to ground floor

Not in original contract. Deb from EH to get job priced. We could volunteer to do it.

5. Tower openings

Stewards meeting Wednesday 27th November am if Tower renovations completed. Incite Ali from EH.

6 . Displays

6.1 Muskets

7 to be ordered plus covers.

6.2 AV display

We have a grant. Temporary - powered by extension lead. Permanent - proper installation by Sykes. 6.3 Mannequins etc

Display committee to investigate cost of 2 and uniforms. To apply to FHD C High Street regeneration fund, Magnox and our KCC representative for grants. Also replica food etc.

7. Marketing

W hen we reopen Peter will email historical associations and schools about bespoke visits. Richard suggested we invite BBC Inside- out to film a group visit.

8. Review of FOM 24 Will discuss at stewards meeting

9 AOB

Damian Collins MP wants to visit whilst works in progress. Grand reopening next April the Hidden Treasure happy to cater. EH tickets - Peter has sent a reminder.

10. Next meeting Monday 2nd December 10.00 DPC office