

146 Werneth Hall Road Consultation Plan

Purpose

To seek stakeholders views on the proposal to widen the charitable objects of the original gift of 146 Werneth Hall Road.

Stakeholders

Voluntary and Community Sector organisations and charities through Action Together
Faith sector through Oldham Interfaith Forum
Children and young people through Mahdlo
Oldham Historical Research Group
Ward Councillors, West Oldham District Executive, Cabinet members
Archives, Early Years, Lifelong Learning, Youth Service, Assets, Policy, Communications
Public Services – Police, NHS CCG, Housing providers

Method of consultation

Document outlining:

- Background
- Proposal
- Purpose of consultation
- Response ticklist – plus open comments option

Emailed to above groups/recipients

Responses

To be directed to a specific address via email or letter

Duration

To be decided by Trustees

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Background

No 146 Werneth Hall Road was gifted to the people of Oldham in perpetuity by Sarah Anne Lees. The original purpose set out in the charitable gift was that the building was to be used for the teaching of housewifery and other domestic tasks for local people.

The Charitable Trust Committee holds the building situate in Trust. Owing to the poor condition of the building and the significant costs of repair and the fact that there is not a single charity in the borough with the same objectives as the charity, the Trustees are now considering selling the building. The sale value of the building would then be held by the Charitable Trust Committee to distribute for the purposes of the charity

The Proposal

Because the original charitable objectives are outdated the Charitable Trust Committee has approached the Charities Commission to widen the objectives of the charity from a school for housewifery and other domestic tasks to supporting organisations that work with local people on wider social and education and life skills.

Purpose of the consultation

As key local stakeholders in the community you are being consulted on the proposed changes to the charitable objectives of the original gift of 146 Werneth Hall Road.

Stakeholder Feedback

Please would you provide a response to the questions below by either circling Yes or No:

The original charitable objectives of a school for housewifery and other domestic tasks are outdated and should be changed **Yes / No**

Please would you tick your most appropriate response and provide any further comments that you may have about the proposal to widen the objectives of the charity to the following:

" To advance the education of the public by grant funding charities offering training and learning in the life skills necessary to manage financial hardship, social or economic deprivation, social exclusion or poor mental or physical health".

- I agree with the proposal to change the charitable objectives
- I **do not** agree with the proposal to change the original charitable objectives
- I feel the charitable objective should be changed to _____

Other comments: _____

