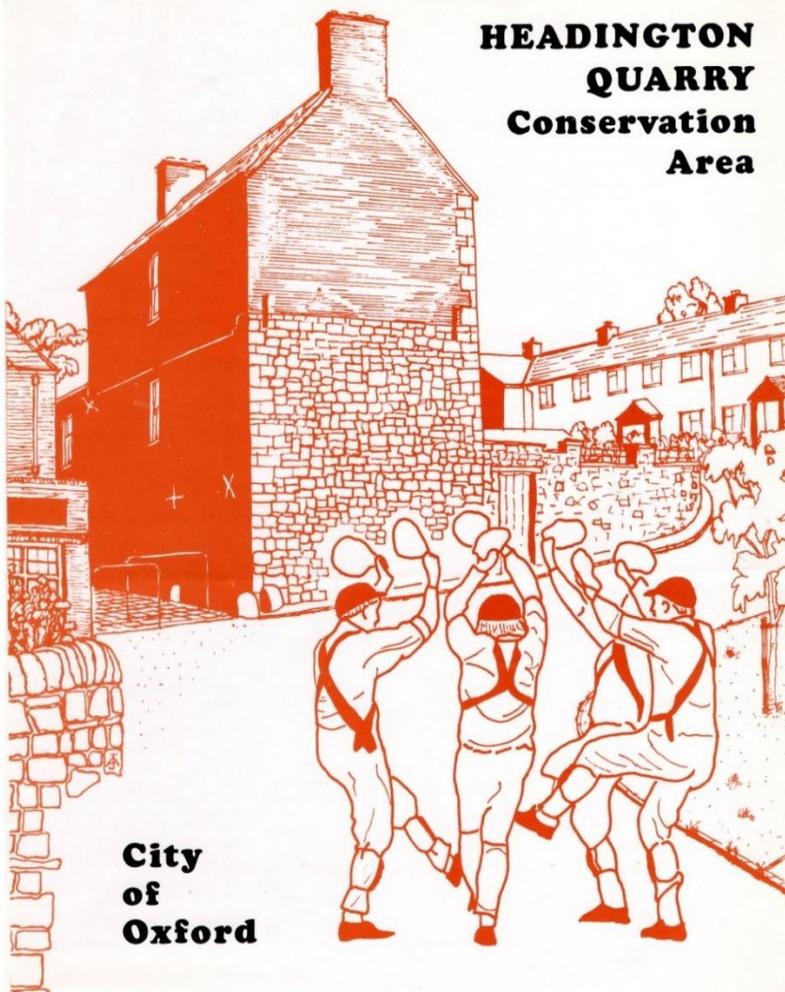




Friends of Quarry Newsletter October 2021

50th Anniversary



Friends of Quarry are celebrating the 50th year of the establishment of the Conservation Area in 1971. To celebrate this the illustrations on the 1971 leaflet, which was produced by the City Council, and describes the reasons for founding of the Conservation Area, are being used as the front and back pages of this newsletter. In that leaflet the Council described the principles of conservation to be used which included:

1. The Council will use their powers under the relevant Acts to ensure that the character of the area is maintained.
2. Where new development is involved, the scale of the new buildings and material used, shall be sympathetic, and in keeping, with the existing development.
3. Where change is considered necessary, it should be carried out by adapting existing buildings (with possible exceptions) in a manner which will be in keeping with the scale, materials and character of the area.

Friends of Quarry have worked with the Council to apply these and other principles to the development within Quarry over the last fifty years. This approach has generally worked well but as explained in the last newsletter we have had our differences with the City Planners over the egregious development at 1 Quarry High Street. Following two years of intensive lobbying and discussions of this development the Planners have accepted that what is built does not accurately reflect what was proposed in the original application. Following our persistent representations, they have asked for a retrospective planning application and if this is not forthcoming have indicated that they will then take appropriate enforcement action. We were also heavily involved in the campaign to prevent the installation of a 20m high 5G mast at the entrance to Quarry. Planning permission for the mast was eventually refused. These cases highlight both the need for careful scrutiny of planning applications within Quarry and the need for an organization like Friends of Quarry. If you are interested in protecting the character of the conservation area, please consider joining the Friends of Quarry and joining the committee.

Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) You should have received letters from the City Council about changes to the CPZ and can respond to these until the 12th November. If you have issues with the zone's

implementation or its enforcement let us know what these are, using the information at the end of this page.

Bulb Planting

We would like to thank all those who turned up on the 30th October to help plant the tulips and daffodils at the entrance to Beaumont Road. Especially as we had to postpone the planting until the afternoon because of the weather. There are a few spare bulbs which will be planted elsewhere in Quarry.

Annual General Meeting

Owing to the high infection rates of covid at present we have decided to have the AGM on line again. It will be on Monday 22nd November at 7:30pm, and a Zoom link will be sent out closer to the time. The major agenda items are to elect a new treasurer and co-ordinator and confirm the committee members who wish to continue. Anyone interested in joining the committee can be voted onto it during the AGM. The Treasurer's and Co-ordinator's report will be presented. Remember that all annual membership fees are due in November and details on how to pay are on our Website.

Communications

We will continue to produce Newsletters periodically, but would like to be able to communicate with you more regularly than that. There are a number of ways that you can engage with us to get our news and other updates including:

- Our website (www.friendsofquarry.org)
- Our Facebook page (The Friends of Quarry)
- NextDoor
- Subscribing to our email list

Our updates will continue to be available on the website and Facebook as well.

If you want to contact us or subscribe to the email list, the best way is to email friendsofquarry@gmail.com or send us a note via the 'Contact Us' page of our website or phone 01865 760026, or 01865 762418.

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