

Village Voice: for 11th November 2006

Pittville

The first meeting of the Executive Committee of the Friends of Pittville was held on 24th October. The Friends' Association was established in September to promote the public benefit and enjoyment of Pittville Park and the surrounding Pittville Estate and to support Cheltenham Borough Council in involving local people in pursuing a Heritage Lottery Fund grant towards maintaining and restoring the estate to Joseph Pitt's original vision.

The Friends of Pittville will liaise closely with the area schools, the University, St Vincent's Centre, the Pittville Area residents' Association, Park Watch and other interested parties to seek the widest public awareness of and contribution to current and future deliberations about the Estate's future. The Borough Council and Council officials are represented on the Executive Committee.

The Friends would like to encourage the local community to play an active role in this bid for a grant and one way everyone can have a voice is to join the Friends group. A membership application form can be downloaded now from the website at www.friendsofpittville.org/contact.aspx under the heading "Membership" and will be distributed in the area shortly.

The activities of the Friends of Pittville will be publicised in Village Voice, by leaflet, in the Park and on the Friends of Pittville website, www.friendsofpittville.org .

Diary events and other news from the Pittville area for inclusion in Village Voice will be welcomed.

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