

**Bulletin No 5 December 2017**

**We're on our way ...**

Dear Kate

At last all the paperwork has been signed and we have permission to deliver the changes at the Cemetery. Key players are the people pictured below.

New to the project, but not to Berkhamsted, **Kate Campbell** brings 20 years' experience at Ashridge Business School, local community activities and an early career at Oxfam to the role of Community Engagement Officer.

Familiar to most of us, **Dr James Moir**, who has masterminded most of the Rectory Lane Cemetery Project (RLCP) to date, is changing role. As the new Project Manager, he will be in charge of the physical changes that we will see taking shape, as well as overseeing the activities and being the main point of contact for the Heritage Lottery team. Contact him on matters relating to the space and landscape changes - [jamesmgmoir@aol.com](mailto:jamesmgmoir@aol.com).

And many of you will recognise **Paul Crosland** from Heritage Events and regular work parties. Paul has been a Trustee of the Friends of St Peter's since 2014 and now takes over as Convenor of the RLCP from James, who will concentrate on its day-to-day management.



James and Kate will be sharing updates on the conservation, landscaping and activity plans with the [Berkhamsted Local History & Museum Society](#) at 8pm on 21<sup>st</sup> February at the Town Hall – visitors are welcome at the door and it would be great to see you there. Similar presentations are being given to Berkhamsted WI, the St Peters and All Saints First Tuesday Club and GlaxoSmithKline Retired Staff Association over the next few months.

**Could you help to share the news** of the exciting developments at the Cemetery too? Do tell your friends, neighbours and colleagues to visit [www.stpetersberkhamstedfriends.org.uk](http://www.stpetersberkhamstedfriends.org.uk) where we will be posting regular updates, as well as our Facebook page, as we embark on a busy 2018!

To deliver our ambitious programme of events we will need the time and skills of even more volunteers – and can provide training and support. How about learning about the personalities buried there and leading tours for others? Do you work with young people and can see them inspired to use the Cemetery for stargazing /outdoor theatre / video making / wildlife study? Do you have connections with local photography, art, or storytelling groups? Kate would love to hear your suggestions relating to events and volunteering - [Campbellkate01@gmail.com](mailto:Campbellkate01@gmail.com). Our monthly Sunday work parties continue – the next one is on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2pm – 4pm**. Just come along – with gloves and secateurs!

We wish you all a happy Christmas spending time with family and friends and look forward to sharing the Cemetery with you as it begins its transformation from '**Dead Space to Living Place**' over the next year.

James, Paul and Kate

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