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# Changing the lives of Birmingham children since 1915

## Newsletter – Edition 7, June 2021



### News from the Bat Cave

The presence of bats has been detected in our loft spaces requiring three very expensive surveys by local Batmen (and women) before we can submit our application for listed building consent and planning permission.

We will update readers about the species of our tenants when the final report comes through.

### **£20 000 grant awarded!**

Postcode Community Trust is a grant-giving charity funded entirely by players of People's Postcode Lottery. We have received £20 000 from the Trust to refurbish and redevelop Bryntail.

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**Sheldon School  
Charity  
granted us  
£1000 towards  
ongoing  
refurbishments**

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## **The Arconic Foundation increase their support for the charity**

**In an extremely generous gesture the Arconic Foundation has awarded the charity a grant of \$50 000. This is split into \$25 000 of revenue funding to enable our first year of reopening to be free of cost to schools and youth groups, and \$25 000 of capital funding to install a heat recovery ventilation system and a domestic electric battery storage system. This builds on the \$35 000 grant from 2020 for an air source heat pump system and means that the buildings will meet very high sustainability standards. Educating visiting children about how these STEM technologies can combat climate change will be a key feature of future visits.**



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THE CLOTHWORKERS'  
FOUNDATION

## **£16 000 Grant awarded by Livery Company**

**City of London livery company, The Clothworkers', have generously granted the charity £16 000 towards the refurbishment and redevelopment of the Property.**

**29<sup>TH</sup> MAY 1961** CHARITABLE TRUST

## **£5000 from Local Charity**

**With the possibility of another £5000 each year for the next two years!**

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## From the archive

Trips to Bryntail lend themselves to group photographs. Fashions change but the smiles stay the same!



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## Bryntail Sandwich Making

**What's your flavour?**



## 2021 Reunion

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

We are cautiously optimistic that, barring a major catastrophe, we will be able to meet up at Bryntail on Sept. 18th. Catering options at the cottage are now limited so it is likely to be a "Grand Bryntail Picnic" (bring your own jammy one, cheesy one, fishy one, and an orange). We will send final details and a booking form soon.

### Packed Lunch:

Selected from

Fresh Fruit - apple, banana, orange

Cheese - buy slab.

Dates.

Egg/Meat/Paste/Jam Roll.

Crisps.

Chocolate.

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# The redevelopment programme

The charity's plans for the cottage fall into two phases:

1. Refurbishment. This will repair the fabric of the buildings compliant with their grade two listed status.
2. Redevelopment of the buildings and grounds to make them fit for purpose in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. This will create two twin ensuite rooms for staff and two upgraded dormitories. The current ablution block will be replaced and the kitchen modernised. The grounds will be landscaped to allow limited camping. The hedges will be replanted and the garden fenced.

All improvements will be phased and meet the highest sustainability standards.

The total cost is in the region of £300k. So far we have raised £158387.

## Use CAF Donate to help us make a difference

Through our bank we have set up a donation page that enables supporters to make online gifts and automatically enable Gift Aid. If you are feeling generous, follow this link

<https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/15185#!/Donation>

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