

TASK FORCE ESTABLISHMENT HISTORY

1. A Task Force convened by the council as a Forum and voluntary partnership between the Council and several community organisations interested in both:
 - 1) - seeking the full restoration of Broomfield House and
 - 2) - seeking a community based future for the House all on a self-financing basis was established in late 1999. **See: Terms of Reference CD/TF/1**
2. The Task Force was created after several years of abortive attempts to seek solutions for the future of the house and followed the decision by Bass Taverns to withdraw from a proposal acceptable to the Council and EH. Adverse community reaction from local residents to what was dubbed “ the pub in the park” in the local press prompted the withdrawal.
3. The Task Force also considered possible proposals for the restoration and future use of the stable block (also Grade II* listed and in a dilapidated condition) as a possible match funding scheme for the House in the context of the overall heritage landscape and for a masterplan for the public park and stable yard as stipulated by EH and HLF.
4. Keith Moss became involved with the Broomfield House Restoration Project in late 1999 and was appointed as a project co-ordinator to the Task Force chaired by the Leader of the Council Cllr D Taylor (Lab). The attendees and membership varied a few times between the early meetings.
5. In order to demonstrate to the tribunal the high level of council involvement and the breadth of community engagement the principle participants prior to the local Council elections of 2002 are listed
6. Following the local elections of 2002 a new administration took control of the Council. Stephen Twigg MP became the Chair of the Task Force. Following the General Election of May 2005, Stephen Twigg stood down and in August 2005, the new Council, Leader Cllr M Rye(Con) became Chairman.
7. Current Task Force Representatives:

Membership is made up of representatives from;
The Federation of Residents and Allied Associations;
The Conservation Advisory Group;
The Broomfield Historic Buildings Trust;
The Broomfield House Trust;
Cllr M Rye (Chairman)
Cllr B Charalambous;
Cllr A Zinkin;
and council officers.