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**Hello everyone,**

This short note will advise you that the Board of Directors have decided to postpone our Annual General Meeting from March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 to Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015, as permitted by our Association bylaws. Notice of this change has already been posted on our website.

Quite honestly, time and extenuating circumstance have necessitated this postponement. In addition to introducing Volume III, Spring edition of Histoire Potton History, we intend to produce a special edition of HPH to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our founding. An extra three weeks may well allow us to meet these objectives more easily. We ask for your indulgence and look forward to seeing you on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> in the Town Hall for the [25<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Potton Heritage Association](#).

You can [download a copy of our letter](#) to Bell Mobilité and our municipal council regarding plans for a 74m telecom tower sited in the area of Sugar Loaf Pond. Concerted public pressure and refusal from our neighbours, Austin and East Bolton, appear to have forced Bell to consider an alternative site inside Potton territory. According to the best information we have found, this tower will do nothing to improve service to the very areas in Potton where no wireless service exists or is less than desired. The letters speak for itself.

Many of our members have asked if our commitment to the restoration of the Round Barn remains strong, especially in the absence of any concerted fund raising effort in 2014. The funds we have raised thus far remain available; however support from the Municipal Council seems tepid at best. We are uncomfortable asking for continued financial support in the absence of a statement of clear intent as to the future of this valuable community asset. Since limited repairs may be made this year, determining the theme and content of any exhibition has been challenging, and we have made no firm decisions as yet. The barn is administered by the Groupe Bénévole Municipal de Potton (GBMP) of which Hans Walser is current president.

Recently we learned that the reception hall attached to St. Paul's Church in Mansonville is in need of urgent repair. Although the building itself may easily be considered a heritage building, the adjoining hall does not enjoy the same distinction. It is, nonetheless, one of the few buildings still available for community events and used from time to time for holding our own events. For that reason, and quite exceptionally, we ask that you consider making a pledge of financial support to the Church wardens to help them reaching a modest objective of less than \$15 000.

Best wishes to all. See you on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>! Sandra

Sandra Jewett, February 2015