

A big society action group for Lowton East

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Kate Long Wigan Council Economic Regeneration Office Gateway House Standishgate Wigan WN11AE

Dear Kate Long,

We write to express our interest in saving Lowton Civic Hall from closure.

We are a community group and would look to be running the hall in exactly the same way as now, However to increase turnover we will be developing plans giving greater and more diverse usage for the future.

We have no funds and would be looking at obtaining a grant to get us over the first twelve months. After this we would expect to be self sufficient.

What we envisage is a management structure of six volunteers from community groups acting as the board; they will then employ a site manager and caretaker for the day to day running of the site. We will try to encourage local business to sponsor the hall and we will explore accessing whatever grants are available.

This will be a big challenge for those concerned, therefore we would be looking to receive a great deal of help from Wigan Council during the hand over period.

This letter does not Commit the group to taking over the Hall and we reserve the right to withdraw should it all get too complicated.

Sincerely,

Edward Thwaite Chairman Hesketh Meadows A.G.