

# Update from Nympsfield Community Pub Group – February 2026



Hi All,

Following the exciting announcement in our January update that our purchase of the Rose & Crown had been completed, please see a summary of this month's progress below.

## Renovation and reopening: progress update

With the completion of the purchase, our project is progressing into the renovation and reopening stages as there is still a lot to be done before we can reopen the pub. To help progress things as quickly as possible, we are establishing a temporary management structure with designated roles and responsibilities.

Chris Jenkins has stepped in as project manager for this initial phase of repairs and is developing and maintaining the master plan. Our Leads, Paul Beeston for internal work and Paul Francis for outside, will oversee the delivery of work within their respective areas and manage volunteer teams. We are still looking for a volunteer to lead on the 'external building' work e.g. roof repairs, drainage, repointing and windows/doors so please get in touch if you'd be happy to take on this role – you don't need to have the skills to complete all the work on your own!

A summary of the temporary structure is below:



## **Get involved (please)!**

We are now in need of additional, short-term, volunteer support to help with phase one of our renovation and reopening plans. The initial tasks will be mostly clearing and stripping out the pub and garden. If you are interested in joining, please email [nympsfield.community.pub@gmail.com](mailto:nympsfield.community.pub@gmail.com) to share what support you're able to offer and any relevant skills you might have for specific tasks.

We are also looking for someone to join our comms team on a longer-term basis – specifically to lead on our website - [nympsfieldcommunitypub.co.uk](http://nympsfieldcommunitypub.co.uk). Amy Proto has been managing the site for the last couple of years but is stepping down as she is moving away. Thank you, Amy, you'll be missed!

## **Grants and Funding News**

We recently received confirmation from the National Lottery Heritage Fund that we are now able to submit a full grant application. We anticipate submission in mid-March, with results expected 8-12 weeks after this. If successful, this grant will enable a complete roof replacement for the pub. We are continuing to explore alternative funding sources and temporary repairs alongside this as a precaution.

## **Media Coverage**

Following the purchase of the pub last month, we've benefitted from significant local and national media coverage. The story was covered in the [Stroud News and Journal](#), [Stroud Times](#), and [BBC News Online](#) along with interviews on BBC Radio Gloucester and [video interviews for BBC Gloucestershire](#).

Links to previous media coverage can be found [on our website](#).

## **Keeping in Touch**

We will continue to share updates through our various communication channels as progress is made. If you haven't already done so, please:

- Join our Facebook page: Nympsfield Community Pub
- Follow us on Instagram: [@the\\_nympsfield\\_community\\_pub\\_](#)
- Visit our website: [nympsfieldcommunitypub.co.uk](http://nympsfieldcommunitypub.co.uk)
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If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch via email, social media or by speaking to one of the team members in person!

Kind regards,

## **Nympsfield Community Pub Group**

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