

Community News



SPECIAL DRAGON Issue - JULY 2023

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"Working Together For Our Community"*



The Sleeping Dragon - update by Pete

After extensive work by me to allow the dragon framework to be galvanised it was finally ready to go for treatment at Western Galvanisers Oswestry, who did a fine job of cleaning and galvanising the dragon armature. Transport to and from Oswestry was provided by Logistics Aid from

Shobdon, whose normal runs with the lorry involve humanitarian aid to war and natural disaster zones. We were particularly pleased to accept their offer of transport, well ... because they were that keen to do it, and I knew it would be in good hands.



A week later, Logistics Aid collected a very silvery shiny dragon from Oswestry and delivered him safely back to Bluefoot Forge for reassembly and the next phase of the project, which is to cover the armature with stretched rabbit wire to define the form.

This job will require a few volunteers as it takes a while, two rolls of rabbit wire donated by John the Gates, (Presteigne Gates), and about 3000 cable ties. If you're up for a few hours helping to fix the rabbit wire (tea/coffee/beer available!) you'll be very welcome - just email presteignesleepingdragon@gmail.com or bluefootiron@btinternet.com.

As far as fundraising goes, the response has been brilliant and bit by bit with financial and "in kind" donations we are nearly there. We did have a few issues with our fundraising platform but it still accepts donations and we could do with probably another £1000 to hit the target of £7,000. So if you haven't donated already and you would really like to be part of the return of the Sleeping

Dragon, here is the funding link, you can also follow the progress on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/sleepingdragon>.

Pete Smith: July 2023

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