

The King's Arms – Community Update (July 2025)

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It's now more than seven months since The King's Arms closed its doors, and many of you have asked what's happening behind the scenes. This is a brief update to share what we know, what we've been doing, and what happens next.

Interest remains strong. We understand that a number of offers to purchase the pub have been made in recent months. These have not been accepted by the freeholder. From what we've been told, the offers were in line with professional valuation advice and would have given the pub a genuine chance of reopening.

Meanwhile, the building has remained empty through two seasons, with no active use, no heating, and no maintenance taking place. We are concerned about the long-term effect this could have on the fabric of a Grade II listed building.

As a Community Benefit Society, we have a responsibility not only to explore ways to bring the pub back into use, but also to advocate for its protection in the meantime. We are now writing formally to the freeholder to ask for clarity on their intentions. We are also in discussion with Rutland County Council to understand what measures might be available to ensure the building does not deteriorate further.

We will share both our letter and any response with the village, so everyone can see clearly what has been said. If no response is received, we will be open about that too.

If you have questions or would like to talk to us directly, we'll be at the Pop-Up Pub this Friday and very happy to chat.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

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