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## ***BRINGING THE SPIRIT OF LORD BERNERS BACK TO LIFE!***

*To all those who love FAQs (Faringdon, Art & Quirkiness..... )*

Faringdon has many claims to fame, but one that has international appeal is that it was the home of Lord Berners – “the last great eccentric”. As well as keeping a giraffe for a pet, he famously painted his pigeons in pastel colours.

We want to build on Lord Berners’ quirky legacy. We have therefore formed the **Pink Pigeons Trust**. The Trust brings together local artists and relevant voluntary groups (including the Town Council) with the primary aim of “bringing the spirit of Lord Berners back to life through public art”. Carefully chosen public art and sculpture will give Faringdon a unique identity while paying homage to one of its most notable residents, making Faringdon an even better place to live - as well as helping to sell Faringdon as a tourist destination for art lovers (with a sense of humour?) worldwide.

The **Pink Pigeons Trust** is a company limited by guarantee with charitable objectives. See [www.pinkpigeons.info](http://www.pinkpigeons.info) where you will also find the Trust’s Constitution. If you are amongst those who are supportive of the aims of the Trust but don’t have the time to take a more active role, then I would urge you to join the Facebook group that already sports more than fifty friends! (just search for **Pink Pigeons**) .

Lord Berners provides us with a wonderful opportunity to develop a public art collection for Faringdon that will be uniquely different; playfully surrealist; whimsically humorous; frivolously silly; surprisingly curious; not only attractive but also a real attraction.

Lord Berners showed us the way, realising that his eccentric behaviour was also extremely good for publicity. We now have the opportunity to build on Lord Berners’ legacy by developing and commissioning pieces that will make visitors laugh and want to take photographs to show their friends and post on the web. Viral marketing – here we come...

And our reputation as the market town capital of surrealism will be on its way to being assured!

I’m sure that we can count on your support, and please do immediately get in touch if you feel that you can help in any way in furthering the aims of the Trust.

Kind regards,



Chair – **Pink Pigeons Trust**