



BATHS TIME: Rob Wilson MP and Stuart McLeod at King's Meadow Baths

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MP makes waves over baths restoration

A SUMMIT over the future of the King's Meadow Baths is being planned by the Reading East MP.

Rob Wilson met the head of the Heritage Lottery Fund, Stuart McLeod, to discuss the potential restoration of the King's Meadow Baths last Thursday. They then went to the baths to meet local campaigners.

The King's Meadow Campaign has been battling to save the baths since 2002 and in 2004 secured Grade II-listed status for the building, preventing its demolition.

The Edwardian baths were opened in 1903 and closed to the public in 1975.

The volunteers open the baths most weekends to allow people to go

inside and look at the historic site.

Mr Wilson is planning a King's Meadow Baths summit, bringing interested parties together to discuss options.

After the meeting he said: "The baths were given to the people of Reading over 100 years ago and it would be great to turn them into a viable attraction."