



Date/Time of Minutes	Meeting Title	Meeting Ref
18 <sup>th</sup> May 2017	Magor Action Group on Rail (MAGOR)	18/05/17
<b>Subject:</b>	Committee Meeting	
<b>Location:</b>	Golden Lion Function Room, Magor Square, Magor	

<b>Attendees:</b>	Laurence Hando (Chair), Ted Hand, Steve Lucas, Peter Wilson, Paul Turner, Lisa Dymock, Frances Taylor
<b>Apologies:</b>	Julie Wilson, Jessica Morden MP, Jessica Crook, Sam Knight, Murray Ross and Keith Plow
<b>Minute Taker:</b>	Steve Lucas
<b>Distribution Copies:</b>	As Above

	Actions/Notes	Action By	Target Date
	<p><b>Review of Actions</b></p> <p>Minutes of Meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> April 2017 were confirmed as a true record and approved.</p> <p><b><u>Committee Reports</u></b></p> <p><b>1. Welsh Government</b></p> <p><b>1 – Strategic Transport Meeting</b> The last scheduled meeting was cancelled, due to the current election process that all parties were involved with.</p> <p><b>2 – MAGOR Campaign</b></p> <p>The meeting was informed that Mark Reckless (Conservative member) will be raising the question regarding the MAGOR campaign and its progress. However, a meeting was held with Ken Skates (Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure) to enquire as to where are we with reference to the development of a station at Magor. At that meeting, we were represented by PT and TH, along with Jessica Morden and John Griffiths. It was confirmed that (and followed up by a letter from Ken Skates) that the Magor Station scored well against the benefit to cost ratio criteria and would be taken forward in the next focused round of work.</p>	ALL	

	<p><b>2. Community</b></p> <p><b>1- 3 Field Site</b></p> <p>It was noted that the 3 field site plot of land was on the open market for sale. With a guide price of £8000. Bids being required to be placed by the 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017 of interested parties. It was pointed out that following discussions held with Monmouthshire County Council, they will be submitting papers to the Council Members recommending that the Council submit a bid for the purchase of this land.</p> <p><b>3. Communication</b></p> <p><b>1 – MAGOR Campaign</b></p> <p>It was agreed that we should be creating a suitable ‘strapline’ which we could use to help us to get our message across. The strapline should accompany a standard brief emphasising the environmental benefit of our walkway station. We would then be able to start to use this information when we create a much needed and timely press release.</p> <p><b>2 – Action Plan</b></p> <p>PT requested a review of the current action plan. Following which, the following amendments are to be made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Timeline for Full Funding for the Grip 3 to be moved forward from October 2016 to end of July 2017</li> <li>(b) Grip 3 to be delivered by the end of July 2017</li> <li>(c) Grip 4 date to be adjusted to January 2018</li> <li>(d) Land acquisition to be moved to end of July 2017</li> <li>(e) Details to be added on the Project Executive, giving structure and putting names in the frame</li> </ul> <p><b>3 – Additional Points</b></p> <p>It was agreed that we will need to be more proactive in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Contacting and creating greater involvement with the local schools who have in the past shown good support for the campaign</li> <li>(b) Take up the offer from CHF Estate Agent for publishing details supporting the campaign within their shop complex. (snap in board)</li> <li>(c) Regular articles to be included in the ‘Villager’ which hits every household within the community</li> <li>(d) Possible use of ‘Car Stickers’ to help spreading the aims of the campaign</li> <li>(e) Endeavour to place an article within the Railway Magazines</li> <li>(f) Pursue the idea of providing a sign on the proposed site which would say something in the line of “With Your Valued Support, this could well be the entrance to YOUR local Walk-on Railway Station”</li> </ul>	<p>All</p> <p>PT</p> <p>All</p>	
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	<p>(g) Creation of a letter to be drawn up and distributed at the frost fayre</p> <p><b>4. Funding</b></p> <p>JW was pleased to announce that we had received a total of £185.00 from the sale of prize tickets at the May Fayre. JW also confirmed that it is becoming very clear from those attending the May Fayre, that our campaign is growing from strength to strength in support.</p> <p>To date, we have received in £230 from the sponsors of the Colouring Book.</p> <p>It was reported that our Treasurer had been informed by the Local Community Council, that our application for funding was received too late to be considered at the last meeting. This caused the meeting some real concern as it was reported (supported by email) that our application was in fact submitted back in February 2017. It was agreed that KP would be approached as our representative on the Council, to seek clarification on this matter as clearly our application was not late.</p> <p><b><u>Any Other Business</u></b></p> <p>Going forward, it was recommended that Magor Churchman Committee were approached regarding having an official opening time, which will be adhered to, for the Fayres to avoid members of the public arriving and wanting to make purchases BEFORE the official time.</p> <p>LH indicated that nominations for the posts on the committee will need to be submitted by 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 in preparation for the AGM in July 2017. The format of the AGM will be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chairman’s Report</li> <li>2. Treasurer’s Report</li> <li>3. GRIP 3 Report</li> <li>4. Election of Officers</li> <li>5. Constitution of the MAGOR Group</li> </ol> <p>FT informed the meeting of the proposed development of the Rockfield area and the planned building of 265 houses. The report covering this development will be made available as from the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017 and it is recommended that members of this committee should obtain and read the report. LD agreed to provide the committee with the link to the report.</p> <p>There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9:05PM.</p>	<p>KP</p> <p>LH</p> <p>LH</p> <p>LD</p>	
	<p><b>NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>15<sup>th</sup> June 2017 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor  AGM 13<sup>th</sup> July 2017 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor</p>		