

Date/Time of Minutes	Meeting Title	Meeting Ref	
17 th August 2017	Magor Action Group on Rail (MAGOR)	17/04/17	
Subject:	Committee Meeting	•	
Location:	Golden Lion Function Room, Magor Square, Magor		

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

Actions/Notes	Action By	Target Date
Previous Meeting		
Minutes of the previous meeting was read and accepted as a true record.		
Matters Arising: KP was asked to clarify the situation with regards to the Grant Application not being approved due to late submission. KP responded that it was not because of a late submission, as it was based on priorities given to other grants applications, and that this group had already received a grant last year.	КР	
Committee Report		
It was reported that regarding the 'New Station Funding Application', albeit our application was unsuccessful, it was announced by the DFT that they believe that our application has merit and that they will meet with our group. To be progressed by PT/TH.	PT/TH	
1 - Rail Industry		
TH confirmed that we have met with Network Rail who have agreed to set up a workshop at the end of August to look at sponsorship and that the GRIP 3 Report works for them as well as us.	ТН	

PT confirmed that he had been approached by Amey Keolis (one of the Bidders) (who is the Community Development Manager), to enquire further about this groups actual proposals. It was agreed that this was very encouraging and that this should be followed up sooner rather than later.

PT

It was also noted, that Chris Grayling had announced that he proposes that there should be more stations along the route leading to Cardiff. A statement which can only be favourable for our campaign.

PT confirmed that he had attended the Strategic Group Meeting, and was able to give the meeting an update on the progress that we have made in an endeavor to secure a station at Magor/Undy.

Finance

JW reported that there was no change since our last meeting in the funds currently held.

KP was requested to report back to this meeting on the members of the Community Council who sat on the 'Application/Allocation of Funding'.

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MUCH

PT announced that an Architect should be appointed at the end of August with a Launch of plans hopefully before the end of October.

PT

Committee Posts

LH asked if anyone wanted to take over a committee post. It was agreed that everyone should remain in their post for the next year.

LH confirmed that the Committee Posts for this Group are as follows:

Chairman; (Laurence Hando) Secretary; (Steve Lucas) Membership Secretary; (Paul Turner) Treasurer; (Julie Wilson)

Following agreement, the following individuals were co-opted to the Committee: Sam Knight; Frances Taylor and Jessica Morden.

It was agreed that no President would be reappointed at this present time.

Projects (Ideas)

It was agreed that this subject will be placed on the agenda of the next meeting and the following ideas will be discussed (together with any additional ideas presented at the meeting):

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Schools; Strapline; Car Bumper Stickers; Slap Rulers; Portable Shop; Supporter letter; Articles (Villager/Railway Magazine; Three Field Signage; Raffle / Bottle Stall and the need to increase awareness of our campaign.

Any Other Business

SK suggested that maybe we can produce a video showing where we are now and where we are heading. PT informed the meeting that if you access U-Tube and search for 'Magor Station', this will give access to a previous video made by the group.

KP offered his help with regards to contacting and using the local schools, where appropriate to advance our campaign.

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LH produced a copy of a letter that was sent to Jessica Morden MP, dated 4th August 2017 and signed by the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Paul Maynard MP. An extract is as below:

"Thank you for your letter of 27 June to Chris Grayling, requesting a meeting to discuss Magor Action Group's business case for a new walkway station for the villages of Magor and Undy. I am replying as Minister responsible for rail issues.

As you are aware, Magor and Undy was one of 19 bids we received for NSF2 funding. The deadline for bidders for this round of funding was 25 November 2016.

The outcome was announced on 28 July 2017 and Magor and Undy was unsuccessful as the bid was missing the necessary financial data to allow a proper analysis of the business case to be undertaken.

We do however believe that there could be a strategic case for the new station and have offered further feedback or to meet Magor Action Group and Monmouthshire County Council, jointly with Network Rail, to discuss how the project could be further developed."

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8:35PM.

NEXT MEETING

21st September 2017 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor 19th October 2017 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor 16th November 2017 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor