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| 22nd November 2017 | Magor Action Group on Rail (MAGOR) | 22/11/17 |
| Subject: | Committee Meeting | |
| Location: | Golden Lion Bar, Magor Square, Magor | |

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

| | Actions/Notes | Action By | Target Date |
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| 1 | <p>Previous Meeting Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted as a true record.</p> <p>Matters Arising:</p> <p>Geoff Cook designate of MUCC was welcomed.</p> <p>Confirmation of a written resignation of Keith Plow was announced by LH</p> | | |
| 2 | <p><u>Committee Report</u></p> <p>Rail Industry</p> <p>TH described a workshop on 8th November with Abellio, who are "very enthusiastic of MAGOR". And want to talk with us again if they achieve the South Wales Rail Franchise next year. They would like their timetabling people to see us about stopping schedules.</p> <p>TH also met Jessica Morden & John Griffiths in Newport on 17th November. He updated them on our progress thus far especially our DfT meeting in Cardiff last month, following our New Station Fund application rejection. Both were very positive about our progress and JM promised to ask a question of the Transport Minister in Westminster if he would look out for our revised NSF application once we have secured Grip 3.</p> | JM | |

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| | <p>Community Rail Consultation</p> <p>Following a recent consultation on Community Rail, it appears Community Rail Partnerships are back in favour. It was suggested recently, by PI, that we should look into this and possibly contact the Association of Community Rail Organisations. Although it appears most CRP's are Line based, LH agreed to make further enquires with PI as to the benefit of this action.</p> <p>Welsh Government Grip Update: Subsequent to our DfT meeting last month via Monmouthshire CC we have reapplied to the WA for £110,000 GRIP 3 funding. Thanks was given to LD for forwarding communication between Mark Reckless and Ken Skates at the WA, following our DfT meeting. Mr Skates appears interested in our case and has asked his people to look into our GRIP 3 funding application.</p> <p>FT confirmed that she had spoken with Paul Mathews who said he would network with his WA contacts on our behalf to expedite matters. Also, FT spoke with JM prior to TH meeting. FT will follow up with Peter Fox to see if he can network on our behalf. FT has been tweeting Sophie Howe of Future Generations Commissioner about sustainable interest, with a view of meeting us. TH will take forward and try to arrange a convenient meeting.</p> <p>MUCC</p> <p>LH described the recent communication between MUCC and MAGOR, notable from 13th Sept MUCC letter, previously discussed declining our grant application.</p> <p>This was followed by our letter of 26th September expressing our regret.</p> <p>Subsequently we were invited to a meeting with MUCC chair Donna James & Cllr. Andrea Boyland on 1st November at the Magor Police Station Council office. Along with the Council Clerk and TH, a frank and open discussion took place to smooth out any differences. MUCC expressed their support for MAGOR and were happy to look at future grant applications from us. They were also concerned that we portray, in our media, a positive true spirit of working collectively. All representatives thought that a Council representative attending our meeting would be a good thing and LH confirmed he would officially request this. The Council offered to arrange a meeting of the full council for our representatives to outline the progress we've achieved to date. We confirmed our acceptance.</p> <p>The Council followed this meeting with a letter of 2nd November detailing the facts mentioned above.</p> <p>On the 8th LH responded to the council accepting their offer of a full council meeting at a convenient time.</p> | <p>LH</p> <p>FT</p> <p>TH</p> | |
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| <p>3</p> | <p>Projects</p> <p>SK agreed to organise the "strapline" questionnaire at the forthcoming Frost Fayre.</p> <p>TH has issued an article for the next edition of the "Villager" PI knows a journalist of the <i>Modern Railway</i> magazine, TH will try to arrange an article with this contact.</p> <p>Frost Fayre</p> <p>We appear to be a short-handed for the Frost Fayre, with only TH and SK indicating their availability for the entirety. Please can all that haven't yet, notify LH if you're able to attend/not.</p> <p>If anyone has any raffle items for the Stall, please drop off at Paul's house. We are also struggling for good raffle prizes. If you have any retailer contacts, can we see whether donations can be sought.</p> <p>Any Other Business</p> <p>PT has acquired an old 3rd Class rail ticket from the old Magor Station, which it was suggested could be displayed in the new Station on opening.</p> <p>LH announced that a UWE masters student studying journalism is interested in writing an article on the MAGOR campaign.</p> <p>There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8:30PM.</p> | <p>SK</p> <p>TH</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>LH</p> | |
| | <p>NEXT MEETING</p> <p>14th December 2017 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor 19th January 2018 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor 15th February 2018 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor</p> | | |