



Date/Time of Minutes	Meeting Title	Meeting Ref
21 <sup>st</sup> February 2019	<b>Magor Action Group on Rail (MAGOR)</b>	21/02/2019
<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, Paul Turner, Peter Wilson, John Crook, Geoff Cook
<b>Apologies:</b>	Frances Taylor, Lisa Dymock
<b>Minute Taker:</b>	Laurence Hando
<b>Distribution Copies:</b>	As Above

	Actions/Notes	Action By	Target Date
1.	<p><b><u>Review of Actions:</u></b></p> <p>The Minutes of 17th January were accepted as true and accurate.</p> <p>PT stated that a sign for the 3 Field Site is moving forward. And although little will be acknowledged about the Station, the signage will be designed to be amendable as matters progress.</p> <p>Ted's article in this month's "Villager" was complimented by all.</p> <p>JW confirmed that she has now received confirmation that Baptist Church has received our fee from last year's community meeting.</p> <p>We have heard from "Churchmen" that the May Fayre will continue but the 2018 Frost Fayre was the last.</p>		
2.	<p><b><u>Committee Reports</u></b></p> <p><b>Welsh Government:</b></p> <p>PT &amp; TH held a meeting with John Griffiths AM and Jessica Morden MP on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019 to discuss the funding of the remaining GRIP 3 costs. PT had made a proposal to MCC, that the if Welsh Government could cover the Network Rail costs then perhaps MCC could cover the consultancy costs. This idea was to be taken forward by John Griffiths AM.</p>		

3	<p>It was important that other AM's are brought on board. JM &amp; JG could broker a meeting with Ken Skates.</p> <p>It is believed that the DfT have instigated a Network Rail Survey in the Relief Line. This information is to be clarified by Jessica Morden MP with the minister concerned.</p> <p>PT &amp; TH have a meeting with Prof Mark Barry on 8th March 2019.</p> <p>PT will update Kellie Beirne &amp; Sophie Howe on developments, seeking their support.</p> <p>A meeting also took place on 18<sup>th</sup> January with Peter Fox and Paul Matthews MCC, to try to understand the AM's decline of our 200k Grant. Ken Skates subsequently sent a WG rail official who reiterated the decision already outlined in their original letter. The information was helpful and would help us to lobby influencers and decision makers within Welsh Government and other interested organisations.</p> <p>Mark Hand of MCC has suggested we apply for a Candidate site in the MCC LDP.</p> <p>PT &amp; TH attended the Strategic Transport Group on 20<sup>th</sup> February, where it was acknowledged MAGOR was 4th in priority for a £180,000 bid.</p> <p>PT acknowledged that there doesn't appear any movement on the MCC Transport survey. PT to follow up.</p> <p><b>Rail Industry</b></p> <p>JC had a useful workshop on the 24th January at the Young Transport Focus Event. He brought back many useful contact names and literature (to be circulated) relating to the AM's transport focus, This surround a £1 billion investment the Metro from Chepstow to up the valleys. As well as buses, with a focus on getting 14-19 year olds off the road.</p> <p>TH agreed to examine the Secretary of State "Review of the Rail Industry" survey, that we were invited to participate in.</p> <p><b>Community:</b></p> <p>LD was unable to attend, in order to update us on here idea for schools recycling initiative, although it was reported she is still chasing the schools with some struggle. TH said he would speak to the Eco champion Helen at the Magor school. Nor an update on the short story book from 2018.</p> <p>PT confirmed that the Community Centre has received agreed planning permission and is seeking financing. MCC lodged £5,000 to act as a float, so that MUCH could apply for charity status. It was also acknowledged that MUCC has provided a £500 grant.</p>	<p>PT / TH</p> <p>PT</p> <p>PT/TH</p> <p>PT</p> <p>TH</p> <p>LD</p>	8/3/19
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	<p><b><u>BBC Television Coverage</u></b></p> <p>PT confirmed no development has occurred so far, due to personal circumstances with the BBC contact. Never the less, interest is still strong and developments expected shortly.</p> <p><b><u>Any Other Business</u></b></p> <p>JW confirmed another contribution has been received from the RMT of £100, which was greatly appreciated.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 2030 hours</p>		
	<p><b>NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>21<sup>st</sup> March 2019 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor  18<sup>th</sup> April 2019 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor  16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 19:30 hours – Function Room, Golden Lion, Magor.</p>		