



MINUTES OF AGM AND OPEN MEETING

24TH April 2015
ALPHINGTON VILLAGE HALL

ATTENDANCE

**J.MEADOWCROFT,P.PHILLIPS,R.SPILLER,R.NAYLOR,MRSNAYLOR,D.LAKE,B.BROADBENT,
D.MOORE,M.WELCH,R.PURTELL,J.HARVEY,R.HILL,A.WILKIE,H.HOARE,M.CULLUM,
J.CULLUM,J.PAYNE,S.PAYNE,T.KEALE,W.PORTEA,S.TIMMS,J.MACLANDER,G.BROADBENT,
C.SANDS,J.SANDS,A.JONES,C.CONIBEAR,W.STONE,S.DAVIES,P.CUMMINGS,W.CUMMINGS
,G.CRAIG,P.SUTCLIFFE,M.CLARK,A.LATHAM,S.SCAIFE,R.COPPING AND T.RANDS**

ACTION

1.0 APOLOGIES

1.1 P.Croft, S.Ingram, J. Frost, A.Bell

2.0 MINUTES OF AGM

2.1 Approved Unanimously

3.0 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 No matters arising from previous minutes.

4.0 NOTIFICATION OF ANY OTHER BUSINESS

4.1 No other business

5.0 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

5.1 Welcome by JM

This is our third year and we have been plodding along but certainly stirring up embers of previous fires. We need to recruit more committee members as 3 members have stood down during this year and we need new blood particularly from the younger generations for our monthly meetings. Hazel Hoare agreed to consider joining.

Our views on the ECC adopted plan appear to have been received in a spirit of co-operation but the latest Exeter plans have not yet been published. When the approved plans have been finalised we will have 21 days to comment, so there is still a long way to go.

At the last A.G.M. we discussed traffic with traffic officers from Devon County Council. They responded to our comments on Traffic Regulation Orders in respect of yellow lines and we have achieved some success. We still have lots of things to keep our eyes on, particularly the Energy from Waste Plant. A group from the committee will be visiting the plant on Monday and there some spaces still available if anyone would like to join us.

In respect of Community infrastructure Levy we have done a survey of community organisations to try to get the money evenly distributed. Moving on to the proposed Park and Ride, Bovis originally proposed the Matford River Valley then changed to Newcombe's Horse Riding fields. The only object was to

take some existing cars off the road and replace them with new ones.
In respect of the Teignbridge plans Bovis have now submitted plans and when you have seen the illustrations displayed around the hall please fill out the opinion cards we will supply you with. There will be 500 houses built in the Alphington catchment and 2000 approximately on both sides of the A379.
It would appear that Teignbridge Council and Exeter City Council seem to have very different ideas on this development particularly about the ridgeline.
Councillor Roy Hill has contacted Chris Liversidge of E.C.C. who has been asked to hold them back for a few days whilst further discussion takes place. As soon as the Park and Ride application is submitted we will be informed.

6.0 TREASURERS REPORT – 26 FEBRUARY 2014

Rod Ruffle was proposed as Treasurer by Nick Southard and seconded by John Harvey and was elected unanimously.

C/F £170.22
Receipts: £95.00
Expenditure: £59.40
Funds: £205.82

Proposed by Diana Moore, Seconded by Peter Phillips – Adopted unanimously.

Ward councillors have agreed a grant of £215 but this has not yet been received.

7.0 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE – The current committee was re-elected by a unanimous vote having been proposed by Margaret Clark and seconded by Robin Naylor.

8.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Margaret Clark who is standing down as a councillor after the upcoming election was presented with a bouquet of flowers and thanked for all her help and assistance when attending committee meetings.

10.0 TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

10.1 Community Infrastructure Levy survey in Alphington presented by Diana Moore

The levy is used to pay for infrastructure and 15% is to be used locally. This was originally to be put into the big Exeter pot but we insisted on a discussion on what it should be spent on.

We did a community survey and talked to eleven community organisations and twenty nine people from the community. The Young people we spoke to were particularly enthusiastic.

We want:

The Village Hall renovation to be completed.

The Scout Hut to be improved and used for wider community projects.

The Sports Hall needs a ladies changing Room.

We need £450,000 for building upgrades to absorb the new residents.

It is felt that teenagers need particular support; perhaps with a Youth Worker and additional facilities. It is possible that the School Swimming Pool could be made available during holidays etc. The discussions about Pre School and Primary School integration are moving forward.

Looking to the future the AVF will try linking with other Exeter associations. We are still not clear as to how the 15% levy will be distributed but the councillors

want to engage with the community.

Following a question from the audience it was confirmed that the Forum will not terminate once the housing situation has been completed.

11.0 Presentation of Outline Plans for S.W. Exeter development by Bill Broadbent.

Juliet introduced Bill to the rest of the audience and said that the 2012 Master plan which would be referred to was available at the front if anybody wanted to peruse it.

Bill began with a short history of our Teignbridge relationship including our protests so far being ignored. He then detailed the number of houses in each building phase area. Our comments have focused on our side of the A379. We wanted a green wedge on our side of the A379, but this was ignored by Teignbridge as Bovis said a bridge and 3 zebra crossings traversing the main road would solve the problem!!

We can understand why Teignbridge are happy as they are not providing facilities but are receiving all the C.I.L. The County Council did not want A379 downgraded but Teignbridge ignored these concerns when drawing up new guidelines. The green areas on the far side are not objected to but there is very little on our side. There will also be more development in the near future which is already being discussed

12.0 **FINAL SUMMARY OF MEETING**

When asked how many people would object to the plans in their present form all 33 people present raised their hands.

Juliet pointed out that the Riding Stables accommodates 100 disabled riders every week and that Mrs Newberry does not want to sell but has never been approached by any council. If anyone wanted to raise a petition we would certainly support it.

The Exeter Board, which contains both City and County Councillors, will shortly be holding a meeting at which Juliet will be asking a question on why our objections are not being taken seriously and to contradict Bovis' statement that the Alphington Village Forum has raised no serious objections to their proposals.

