

Minutes for CALM meeting Tuesday 9th September 2008

Attending

Paula Taylor
Andrew Goss
Andrew McClure
John Hyde
Colin Gibb
David Newman
Julian Holliday
Andrew Carmichael
Kevin Hanham

Apologies
Sara Powell

Chairman's Report

- Poole Unitary Authority seem to reject the Lychett proposed changes .This can only help strengthen the case against the proposal , however its vital that CALM members keep pressing their views against .
- A Government review of Sustainability questionnaire was produced by AC and it was suggested that it be adapted for our use locally . CALM can then use the outcomes to guage the evaluation of sustainability as perceived locally in their response to the Sec. of State. It was agreed **that AG would adapt the questionnaire for local use** and e mail a copy to AC. Collection boxes will be set up at Hanhams, Tescos and the Library . **Action PT**
- Demo at the BIC 14/9/2008 at 11.30. Hoping for national coverage. Annette Brooke MP will be speaking. Banners etc **PT to sort.**
- **AC to contact Guy Parker** re flooding and water issues.
- Coach to Westminster – **AC to liaise with Kerry Stewart.**

Finances

- Paula Taylor reported the balance in hand as £ 425.22 as at 15/8/2008 and passed around a statement showing the detailed transactions.

Volunteers

- Raise an open invitation for people to join the sub-committee meeting compiling a response to the Secretary of State's comments in the RSS. **Ongoing**

- Andrew Carmichael is standing down as Chairperson, due to work commitments as from mid October, and we would wish people to stand up to fill this position in the hope that more than one would stand, which will force an election
- Another 2 people to stand for – Vice-Chairperson and for an Events Co-ordinator.
- **JH agreed to stand in for AR** who is standing down , due to bad health.

Demonstrations

- The South East Dorset Defence Consortium (comprising of the 6 relevant Councils, 7 Action Groups and Dorset CPRE) have arranged a “Save our Green Belt “Mass Protest Demonstration march starting from the BIC at Sunday 14th September at 11:30 am to hear speeches from our Dorset MPs and CPRE on how this Housing Avalanche will Desecrate Dorset – CALM T-shirts and/or green clothes to be worn. (**See item in the Chairs report.**)

Website

- As at Saturday 6 September there were 674 signatures on the 10 Downing Street website e-petition. The web link is accessible from CALM’s website www.lytchett-matravers.net The 10 Downing Street web address is <http://petitions.number10.gov.uk/DorsetGreenBelt/>, being the Prime Minister’s official web site. **Noted.**
- September’s issues of Lytchett Link and The Parish Magazine refer people to our website for template letters and bullet pointed ideas on what to include when letter writing to object to the proposals. **Andrew Carmichael agreed to e mail SP about this and if a link can be made with the GOSW Consultation information pack, prepared by Purbeck DC.**
- Ask Sara Powell if it would be possible to detail Lytchett Matravers response to the Issues and Options questionnaire from the Purbeck DC and to explore and investigate if Advertisers and sponsors might wish to support our website. **Ongoing .**
- Martyn Colvey has sent Sara Powell a map detailing the green belt, can Sara let us know if it is possible to have this on our website? **PT to follow up.**

Ecology

- To ask Dick and Rosie Endecott what has happened in relation to the Dorset Environmental Records Centre and Dorset Wildlife Trust. **Ongoing.**
- Andrew Goss contacted www.footprint-ecology.co.uk and corresponded with **Dr Durwyn Liley**, Footprint Ecology, First Floor, Ryan House, Sandford Lane, Wareham, Dorset, BH20 4DY, 01929 552444, durwyn.liley@footprint-ecology.co.uk. Email contents:

Andrew,

Thanks for the email. We are being employed by Purbeck District Council to work on the potential ecological impacts of the proposal. We are local and have worked in the area for many years, so hopefully we are aware of all the issues and the background.

We have only recently started work on this and at the moment I don't think there is much you can help us with. It may be useful, as our work develops, to talk to Lytchett residents so I'll come back to you if the need arises. Many thanks for your offer of help.

Regards

Durwyn

Action now complete

- Colin Gibb contacted Dr John W Wilkinson of The Herpetological Conservation Trust asking "could you please advise if any of your studies have identified locations of Smooth Snakes or other endangered species in this general area and if so where." . **CG had a reply and will do a follow up letter to PDC to identify relevant protected species.**

Village Hall

- Paula Taylor to look into receiving a discount for the Village Hall, as the Parish Plan Group and Parish Council pay £18 for the Blanchard Room, a discounted rate due to village 'business', whereas the local and usual rate is £20. We are currently being charged £19 per night. **It was agreed to continue with weekly meetings for the time being and for PT to look into the fee charged for the CALM letting.**

Purbeck DC

- In response to a request from Paula Taylor, Richard Neudegg [RichardNeudegg@purbeck-dc.gov.uk] has provided details of Lytchett Matravers response to the Issues and Options questionnaire from the PDC:
 - The final number responses to the Council's Western Extension consultation was 1034 of which 436 were estimated as being from Lytchett Matravers representing a response rate of 31% of dwellings in the village, this was significantly above the average which was 19% within the delivery area. **Noted**
 - On another note, since the Council has been getting a few enquires regarding the government's consultation, we've put together a small pack for members of the public that want information on how to respond to the government's consultation on the RSS regarding the Western Extension. We have given several copies of this to be taken away from the libraries at Lytchett Matravers and Upton. I am also going to send out a few copies for reference to the Parish/Town councils in the area as well as relevant community groups. I will put a copy of this small pack in the post to you today. **Noted**

Andrew Carmichael forwarded the GOSW (Government of the South West) Consultation information pack, prepared by Purbeck DC, to the email distribution list on 2 September 2008. These can also be requested from Purbeck DC on telephone (01929) 556561

Letter Writing Group

- A letter to be prepared formally thanking Christopher Lees for attending meeting at the Lytchett Matravers Sports Pavilion on 19 August 2008. **Agreed**
- Thanks to Deidre Flegg for preparing letters to our MEP's. These were sent on Monday 7 September 2008. These were addressed to Mr Roger Knapman, MEP (UKIP), Mr Glyn Ford MEP (Labour), Mr Graham Booth MEP (UKIP), Mr Graham R Watson MEP and Mr Neil Parish MEP (Conservative). **Noted.**
- Whilst we have not been meeting for the last two weeks, due to the village hall having a new floor laid, a draft response to the Secretary of State's comments on the RSS has been taking place. **Noted**
- Potential people to write to:
 - Steve Dring to attend, as a guest speaker, a future steering group meeting to provide an updated position of Purbeck DC
 - Post Green Trust
 - Dorset Wildlife Trust
 - John Holland
 - Dave Bowsher – fungi study
 - RSPB – when was area last surveyed
 - Brendan Monk
 - Richard Drax
 - Tamsin Ormund
 - National Grid
 - Environmental Agency
 - Lord Rogers (Architect)
 - BBC Radio 4 Today Programme
 - Water Companies
 - Poole Harbour Commissioners
 - Poole Harbour Authority
 - Poole Hospital (capacity, waiting times, 2,750 new homes with multiple occupants and the knock on effect on their establishment and resources, will they be raising their own response)
 - Poole Ambulance
 - Dorset Fire and Rescue
 - Simon Ricketts
 - Brendan Monk – Ex-water board employee who has commented that the sewage system is at capacity at the moment – he lives at The Thatch Cottage, Lime Kiln Road
 - Jenny Haines (planner) – invite to interpret planning issues on the RSS

Noted

Annette Brooke MP for Mid Dorset and North Poole

Annette has also created an e-petition the web link can be found from her website: www.keepmiddorsetgreen.org.uk **Noted**

- Should we start to compile some specific questions that we could as Annette could raise in Parliament. **Agreed that members should try to focus on some questions that need to be raised .**

Dorset CC

- Richard Hiles asks “I was wondering what plans CALM and LMAG have with respect to the DCC Seminar on 17th Sep at Dorchester. Will you be attending? Will you be lobbying? Or will you just send a written submission? It would be good though to make sure that a few others join Fred in speaking up for our corner of Dorset. Work commitments will make it difficult for me, Andy or Simon to attend. It would be good to co-ordinate a presence/submission between our groups. I presume that what we want to achieve is unanimous opposition to the Western Extension among DCC councillors when they meet at the start of October to discuss the DCC response to the RSS.”

JH to ask MC if he will be attending as Chair of the PC and on our behalf.

Legal

- Ask Andrew Goss and Andrew McClure for an update.
Ongoing , need to await Government decision first.
- **AG** said that it may be possible to delay the proves by fair means and prevent it passing into law and then it may fall by the wayside. Also that any legal challenge would not be likely by groups but would need to be mounted by the public authorities. It is unlikely that any decision on the report will be made before Christmas or else the Government risks being challenged on the grounds that it has not given the report due consideration before making a decision.
- Graham Lee – has he heard back from the semi-voluntary legal practice (Law Works?) in London that was used for the Save the Library campaign?
Ongoing GL unable to attend at this time

Other

- Has Martyn Colvey provided Wendy Meaden’s email address (See minutes 10 June 2008, 6.4.1) to find out if Purbeck DC has made available map detailing land available for development **Ongoing**
- Discuss holding another mass meeting in Lytchett Matravers, perhaps at the end of September, early October – on the theme of have you written your letter yet? Posters, banners, telegraph posts (not street light so not to be accused of fly posting) and boards at entrances to village
- Discuss whether to utilise the Library display case for prompting villagers to reply (if display case available prior to 17th October) **Ongoing PT to follow up**

**D Newman
Sept 2008**