



**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**REF: PNF13 APRIL2018**

**SUBJECT:** Pyrford Neighbourhood Forum Committee Meeting

**DATE:** 7.30pm Monday 13 April 2018

**VENUE:** Green Room, Pyrford Village Hall

**PRESENT:** Geoff Geaves (GG), Ian Mills (IM), Martin Doyle (MD), Tim Matthews (TM), Graham Chrystie (GC), Joy Sachak (JS), Andy Grimshaw (AG), Ian Whittle (IW)

**APOLOGIES:** Cliff Bolton (CB) Pat Barnes (PB), Pauline de Marco (PdM)

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	1.0	<p><b>Welcome</b></p> <p>GG welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>GG reported that he will be away on holiday from 18 April to 2 June and that MD will act in his absence as Chairman</p> <p>It was reported that Carole Gale has now moved from Pyrford to Marlborough. A vote of thanks was agreed by the committee for all the good work Carole did for the Forum since it was first founded and in particular for all the hard work she put into developing the Open Spaces section of the Plan that was finally approved.</p> <p>Thankyou Carole.</p>						
	2.0	<p><b>Minutes for Approval</b></p> <p>The minutes for the meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> March were voted as accurate, complete and ready to publish on the web site.</p>						
IM	3.0 3.1	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p><b>Treasurer's Report</b></p> <p>JS summarised the account balances as:</p> <table data-bbox="456 1599 986 1704"> <tr> <td>General Operating Account</td> <td>- £3189.58</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Campaign Fund</td> <td>- £3294.04</td> </tr> <tr> <td>200 Club</td> <td>- £ 828.90</td> </tr> </table> <p>NB these figures include a total of £2750 received from SCC Members Allocation</p> <p>IM reported that the final account for the money received from the RA was now available and a small refund would be due to the RA as a result of an overall underspend. It was advised that to finalise the end of the first year of grant from RA the account be sent to the RA Treasurer with a request for instructions on</p>	General Operating Account	- £3189.58	Campaign Fund	- £3294.04	200 Club	- £ 828.90
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	<p><b>3.2</b></p>	<p>returning the grant surplus.</p> <p><b>Fund Raising Events - CB</b>                  As CB was absent GG reported that Cliff was seeking helpers with the stand planned for the Pyrford Flower Show and that any suggestions for fund raising would be gladly received and these should be directly to Cliff.</p>
	<p><b>4.0</b> <b>4.1</b></p> <p><b>4.2</b></p> <p><b>4.3</b></p>	<p><b>ESSO Pipeline – Response Planning.</b>  <b>Forum Resolution</b>                  The committee unanimously ratified the email poll to oppose the ESSO Pipeline proposals for Pyrford. Specifically, the Forum Committee ratified that:</p> <p><i>‘PNF regard the new ESSO Pipeline as a serious threat to the environment, in and around Pyrford, and will oppose it whilst supporting the alternative route beside the old pipeline where planning and environmental precedents are already well established ‘</i></p> <p>It was however unanimously agreed that we need to understand and agree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why the Forum is opposing the pipeline through Pyrford.</li> <li>• What the issues are with the corridor defined by ESSO and within which the pipeline is intended to be routed.</li> <li>• What the impact of the issues might be on the suitability of a route through Pyrford.</li> </ul> <p>Based on this we can then provide objective information to mobilise the community against ESSO proposals in Pyrford:</p> <p><b>Grounds for Opposing the Pipeline through Pyrford</b>                  The main grounds for opposing a pipeline through Pyrford were agreed as:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Impact on landscape and ecology</li> <li>2. Impact on local Heritage</li> <li>3. Impact on the built environment</li> </ol> <p><b>Landscape and Ecology Issues</b>                  The landscape and ecology of Pyrford are two key concerns of the community:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Laying the pipeline across the floodplain south of Old Woking</li> <li>2. The corridor threatens the most scenic part of Pyrford Escarpment.</li> <li>3. The corridor intersects ancient woodland in The Hanger and any</li> </ol>



	<p><b>4.4</b></p> <p><b>4.5</b></p> <p><b>4.6</b></p>	<p>damage would be irreparable</p> <p>4. Threatens important local footpaths and bridleways enjoyed by a great many local people and many others from across the borough</p> <p><b>Heritage Issues</b> A great deal of time, effort and money is currently being invested in the heritage of Pyrford and heritage protection is a key concern of the community. The proposed corridor however cuts through:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 2 * conservation areas</li> <li>2. 1 * G1 12c Church</li> <li>3. 9 * G2 listed buildings</li> <li>4. 10 * Buildings of Architectural Significance</li> <li>5. 4 * Buildings of Townscape Merit – listed locally</li> <li>6. 2 * other barns that are currently unclassified and which many in the community seek to save for posterity.</li> </ol> <p><b>Built Environment Issues</b> The corridor cuts through the middle of the community and will impact and:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Impacts on approximately 300 homes within the corridor</li> <li>2. Will disturb gas, water and electricity utilities in Boltons Lane and Pyrford Road.</li> <li>3. Will be very close to the new 33kv electricity cable laid with unexpected difficulty with utilities already laid in Pyrford Road.</li> <li>4. Proximity to the gas main for the area.</li> </ol> <p><b>Conclusions</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The floodplain is strategic to local flood defences and also Thames basin drainage into the River Thames raising the risks associated with laying the pipeline across it.</li> <li>2. The terrain and ecology poses difficulties that will cause costs to rise if it is not to be permanently damaged.</li> <li>3. Corridor M/Q directly threatens both conservation areas in the area and damage to them and the curtilage around them will raise costs.</li> <li>4. 26 heritage buildings lie in the corridor and representing 50% of such sites within the community. The cost of any damage and</li> </ol>
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	<p><b>5.0</b> <b>5.1</b></p>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b> <b>Brief Workstream Update</b></p> <p>Due to the focus of the evening on the ESSO Pipeline consultation only a very brief update on the progress of other workstreams under AOB was planned:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The constitution will be finalised later in the year now, after positive external reports on changes made.</li> <li>2. After the announcement by Ashley Bowes it appears that final proposals for development site allocations will emerge in September and the final consultation will start in October.</li> <li>3. A letter to SCC concerning traffic analysis reports has been drafted asking for more information.</li> <li>4. Conservation assessment will be put on hold until completion of</li> </ol>



	<p><b>5.2</b></p>	<p>the ESSO pipeline consultation.</p> <p>5. The Heritage display has been ordered for delivery in 8 weeks.</p> <p>6. 2 more Pyrford Portraits have been recorded and these will start to appear on the website in June/July</p> <p><b>200 Club Draw</b> The following winners for January to March were drawn:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Jan-2018</th> <th>Feb-2018</th> <th>Mar-2018</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Lionel Barnes</td> <td>Mrs LMA Humphreys</td> <td>David Thompson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£11.20</td> <td>£10.80</td> <td>£10.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pauline De Marco</td> <td>David Thompson</td> <td>Brian Kirby</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£5.60</td> <td>£5.40</td> <td>£5.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Wingate</td> <td>Ian Mills wife</td> <td>Ann Stone</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£2.80</td> <td>£2.70</td> <td>£2.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mrs M Key</td> <td>Grubb</td> <td>B Dodd</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£2.80</td> <td>£2.70</td> <td>£2.50</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b> The next meeting will be on <b>Friday</b> 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.</p> <p>Further Committee Meetings are scheduled below and will start at 7.30pm in the Green Room of the Pyrford Village War Memorial Hall:</p> <p>Friday 11 May 2018 Monday 4 June 2018 Monday 2 July 2018 Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November - AGM</p> <p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:45pm</p>	Jan-2018	Feb-2018	Mar-2018	Lionel Barnes	Mrs LMA Humphreys	David Thompson	£11.20	£10.80	£10.00				Pauline De Marco	David Thompson	Brian Kirby	£5.60	£5.40	£5.00				Wingate	Ian Mills wife	Ann Stone	£2.80	£2.70	£2.50				Mrs M Key	Grubb	B Dodd	£2.80	£2.70	£2.50
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