

# Purfleet on Thames Community Forum.

## Minutes for 24<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

1. JR welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. JR invited all who attended Novembers meeting to agree minutes. All agreed.
3. JR confirmed that as is our way matters arising would be with AOB. Agreed.
4. JR introduced Steve Lines from Highways who proceeded to give an update on the proposed parking restrictions in London Road. The area covered by the restrictions stretched from the Board Mill right up to the Royal Hotel and is designed to stop uncontrolled commuter parking. In addition to the London road restriction there are several areas that are subject to residence parking. Steve also confirmed that Cornwall house site is going to be made available for commuter parking. There were concerns raised, Steve confirmed that a further consultation would follow concerning the detail of the proposed restrictions. It should be noted that Steve would not leave the drawings of the proposed restrictions so that the group could study at a later date.
5. Mathew Essex head of regeneration and Garrett Dorane from Kyanite Advisers were invited to say a few words. I would like to point out that they came along to offer support in case the subject of the regenerating was raised and not to speak.

Mathew accepted my invitation to update us on how the signing of the agreements were going. Mathew confirmed that all agreements were now signed and that there was now a 4 week cooling off period {my words} this would mean that after the 23<sup>rd</sup> community involvement could start. It is hoped that by the end of the year plans will be submitted and in place. On a final point it was confirmed the council in conjunction with education were also looking to build a secondary school in addition to the primary school already planned.

JR Thanked Mathew and Garrett for their continued support.

#### 6. M/A & AOB.

JR outlined the forthcoming consultation regarding the proposed new Thames crossing.

JR explained that the preferred route for the crossing would be from Tilbury to Kent and that there were 3 options on how the M25 would link up. One involving the A127 and a new road to the crossing via Orsett, the other is a new road linking up with the M25 somewhere between the A127 & the A13 again crossing green belt and Orsett.

7, Another issue for attention is the proposed community hub to be sited in the old housing office on the Garrison est. It is generally agreed that this is not ideal but better than nothing.

Housing are looking to finance refurbishing the offices to facilitate a small library, internet access, advisory and

support services this will be open to all irrespective of where you live in Purfleet.

8, as always time is not on our side. JR reminded everyone that the next meeting would be the 29<sup>th</sup> March and would be our AGM where hopefully we can vote in a new committee as all positions were available.

9, JR thanked the group and closed meeting at 9pm ish.

Minutes, agenda, posters etc by JR chair