



DT11 FORUM

community partnership

DT11 minutes

AGM

5th October 2016

1. Welcome	Hugh De longh, Sue Chandler, Ian Watson, Mike James, Barbara Thomson, Pam Eaton, Steve Adamson, Bobbie Church, Peter Slocombe, Nic Nicol, Julie Wigg	
2. Apologies	Helen Andrews (Winterborne Kingston PC), Joe Hickish, Doc Addison, Margo Kirk, Keith Yarwood, Sue Inman, Sara Loch, Sherry Jespersion	
3. Minutes Agreed and treasurers report	AGM minutes approved from 30.9.16 PS explains year end accounts – no questions SA approves, SC Seconds. Hugh points out that sinking funds are effectively long term reserves.	
3. Nominations	No nominations so everyone will continue as they are. Everyone in favour	
Approval of minutes from 27 th January 2016	NN runs through minutes and points out the success of Well & Connected event. He explains the meeting with Simon Hoare was cancelled due to finances. Minutes approved.	
Treasurers report	PS runs through the last quarters income and expenditure, No questions. Accounts approved.	
Future of DT11 Forum	NN explains that funding is under threat as the District Council needs to make a saving of around £174k and they plan on doing this by cutting the Citizens Advice Bureau and Community Partnerships We should know the outcome in December but we are preparing for the worst case scenario. NN asks that everyone completes the questionnaire. He points out that the questionnaire concentrates on the household – not communities and asks that people mention this in the free text box. The consultation is open until the 28 th November. To stand any chance of survival we need everyone to complete the questionnaire. HDI says the bigger feedback comes from the free text box so its worth completing this. HDI mentions that the District Council have to make savings of around £1.4m so we're not the only cuts. MJ asks why the consultation is only over 2 months (why not the normal amount of time – 3 months?). HDI will find out and let him know. Also, he feels that the questions on the	HDI

	<p>questionnaire are closed questions and are a self fulfilled prophecy. NN has requested that hard copies are made available.</p>	<p>HDI</p>
<p>Work plan</p>	<p>NN has spoken to Sherry Jespersen and she assured him that District Council do have a vision for a community hub which is planned at the lodge at Nordon. Black Lane Childrens centre is planned to be used for health related services.</p> <p>Fording point – An update from Jon Ivay:- <i>'Last December i started working with the students of Arts University Bournemouth and local architects Western Design on the development of a temporary theatre building for the Bere's Yard site.</i></p> <p><i>The cut off for this project was supposed to be the end of April 2016, but this was later extended to the end of June because of the students other work commitments and studies.</i></p> <p><i>I had everything I needed from Arts University Bournemouth by the middle of July, but this coincided with holiday season, so I decided to go with the flow and regroup during the first week of September.</i></p> <p><i>Everything is now ready for the printers (around 3 months later than intended) The brochure and prospectus for the Fording Point have been proofed this week and will go off on Monday.</i></p> <p><i>From here on in, it's all about the money, and i will be concentrating solely on this.</i></p> <p><i>I gave a print out of this document to a very well known patron of the arts on a national and international level two weeks ago and they replied to me this week. Their funds for new theatre building and infrastructure are committed for the next two years (in fact, they're spending way more than they intended on two major theatre refurbishments) but they were immensely impressed by what's been put together on the Fording Point, so much so, that they want to stay in contact with the project. They would like to arrange a site visit and if i make the temporary theatre happen, they would look to help me make the permanent venue happen. This was the first piece of material I have sent out regarding any form of funding, and I'm really pleased with the response.</i></p> <p><i>I have this week dropped more material off to another patron of the arts (so, fingers crossed!)</i></p> <p><i>If people would like to see the full document (which is in A3 Landscape format) and DT11 want to organize a space where i could put every page up around a couple of walls (maybe one evening - I'll throw some wine and nibbles in) I would be more</i></p>	<p>DT11 or Corn Exchange? We could fund.</p>

	<p><i>than happy to talk through and answer any questions people may have regarding the project.</i></p> <p><i>The students have been working on an exterior build budget of £100,000 - with a further £115,000 to equip and open the temporary venue. The building is designed in such a way, that the permanent venues can evolved in four stages from the temporary one: i.e -Main auditorium, Box office, Foyer, and back stage facilities.</i></p> <p><i>Once we get to the target of 125,000 i intend to start building’.</i></p> <p>DVAMP – Although this particular bid was unsuccessful the business plan will be used for other bids.</p> <p>NDLAG – nothing happening due to Brexit</p> <p>SA said at the last meeting it was said that if a full application was in a decision would probably be given before the autumn statement. However, EOI’s probably won’t be considered until after the Autumn Statement. Basically it’s on hold.</p> <p>NN mentioned the opportunity to apply for REP for Trailway signage. SA is scoping and costing with Dorset Rangers and others.</p> <p>IW asked about the mobile phone App. Steve said this this is something we were looking at but with the failure of DVAMP funding is not available.</p> <p>HDI said that in Gillingham they were looking to do this and were going to apply to LEADER but it has stalled due to Brexit.</p> <p>NN’s project was the tourist signs, a survey was paid for by interested parties (Leisure Centre, Museum etc...). The survey provides full details or ring-road, approach road and attraction signage and has been copied to the Town Clerk. Estimated cost is £148,000. Cllr. Barry Cooper said at the briefing on the survey to the Town Council that he would try to find funding to do some of it. Nothing heard so far.</p> <p>TAG – nothing new. Although it was suggested that PlusBus is not used enough. .</p> <p>BC asked if there’s anything back from parishes re: buses. PE said in Tarrant Keynston – 4 person using PlusBus</p> <p>In Pimperne everyone was contacted that used the 325. 1 person is using PlusBus. Peter is not sure what arrangements the other people have made.</p> <p>JW will contact DCT and find out routes and bus times forward details to PC’s.</p> <p>Health & Wellbeing - 40 organisations, over 400 organisations. Date pencilled in for next year but with the uncertain future of DT11 we’re not sure if it will go ahead.</p> <p>Blandford + - The Neighbourhood plan has been accepted by NDDC put out to public consultation which finished 30.9.16. Independent examiner appointed and once they have stuff from consultation they will pass it to examiner. Once this has been done a public meeting will be organised to share the</p>	<p>SA</p> <p>JW email DCT & PC’s</p>
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	<p>results.</p> <p>Town Team – the Town Council have taken on a markets manager for 20 hours per week. He’s very experienced.</p> <p>Ian asks what the outcome of the traffic planning consultation was. Some people weren’t in favour of some proposals (ie. 2 way Whitecliff Mill Street). The Town Team wanted to get an idea of what people thought and they got that. However, in order to go ahead a proper traffic survey would have to be carried out and the cost of this would be £50k</p> <p>Grant Applications – Most recent successful grant applications are Tesco Bags of Help for both Milborne St Andrew Sensory Meadows and Play area and Stour Meadows Outdoor Gym. In total over the past year JW has raised £108,000 for various projects.</p> <p>PS said Pimperne presented their neighbourhood plan on the 24th September and they are getting questionnaires back.</p>	
<p>Chairs summary and actions arising from item 4</p>	<p>The Management Group held a pre meeting to discuss the impact of closing, on Julie and on the Community.</p> <p>Without this funding DT11 would fold as of the 1st April and although some projects might continue there would not be someone to facilitate.</p> <p>Everyone agreed that Community Partnerships are great value for money and feel it’s a big mistake making these cuts.</p> <p>Hugh pointed out the loss of networking opportunities and the ability to respond quickly to any local issues.</p> <p>Community Partnerships have the ability to put together big project bids and smaller grants that District/County Councils can’t - all this will be lost.</p> <p>There has been a big contribution to health & Wellbeing and the Transport Action group was formed by DT11</p> <p>The consultation process has started and the deadline is the 28th November. NN encourages everyone to email all their contacts and ask them to complete the survey.</p> <p>Will also put together a joint letter seeking public support and will ask for Tony Bishops help to do this. Update – to save time the letter focused on DT11 rather than all Partnerships. Sent to FF and BVM. (Response to consultation and impact statement sent to Cllr. Jesperson on 16 Oct.) Also discussed was closing down cost, office rental etc.,.,,</p>	<p>NN</p>
<p>7. AOB</p>	<p>MJ said that it’s impossible to get any answers from Nordon at the moment as no one knows what’s happening with regards to selling the premises. MJ said when NDDC moves and (if) they go unitary local knowledge will be needed more than ever.</p> <p>The current proposal for Nordon is to keep part of the building (Lodge) and a large proportion will be affordable housing – this has been decided as they are then giving something back to the community. Some councillors think its a good idea, some not.</p> <p>PS pointed out that DT11 couldn’t continue in its present state anyway with the reduced core funding,</p>	

	PS and Steve have been involved with the Community partnerships since 2002 and will both be extremely disappointed if this much needed community asset comes to an end.	
8. Date of next meeting	Tuesday 10 th January 5 for 5.30pm Pimperne Village Hall (venue to be confirmed)	