Iver Action Group Minutes Friday 29 April 2022

Time: 5pm-6pm

Venue: The Jubilee Pavilion, Iver Recreation Ground, High Street, Iver SLO 9PW

Convenor: Joy Morrissey MP

Cllr Wendy Matthews in the chair and joined by 9 other members of the Iver Action Group.

1 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the January meeting were approved as a true and accurate record.

2 Pinewood Studio Update

A discussion took place on the new application that would be submitted, which would have to be a new application as so different from the previous one. It was not sure if this would be an outline application or a full application. The meeting discussed the development of the Farm area with part being donated to the community, but full details and financial commitments would need to be established.

3 Motorway Service Area Planning update

Joy Morrissey MP reported on a meeting that she had attended with the Minister from the Department for Transport which been a robust discussion. She confirmed that she had ensured that concerns previously expressed at the Ivers Action Group meetings were included. Joy Morrissey also reported that she was liaising with the Minister over the M25.

Action: Joy Morrissey MP to give an update

4 Data Centre proposals

Joy Morrissey MP reported that she had a full discussion with the Council on this issue and would continue that dialogue to push the data centres applications out of the area to safeguard from over development and protect the greenbelt. Joy Morrissey confirmed that she would be seeking a briefing from National Grid on the energy infrastructure implications of all these prospective sites.

Action: Joy Morrissey MP to give an update

5 Biodiversity Sites

It was confirmed that two meetings had taken place (including a meeting with Colne Valley Park), with another meeting planned to take place soon.

6 Colne Valley Park

Joy Morrissey MP reported on securing a commitment from the Prime Minister on the Colne Valley Regional Park (full text at the end of the minutes) and that she would be visiting the park in the coming weeks. It was confirmed that the Regional Park were recruiting to their team.

Action: Joy Morrissey MP to give an update

7 L&Q

It was agreed that following an initial meeting which had looked hopeful for the future, the list of complaints from residents was increasing. There had been small wins to start with which had been promising. Joy Morrissey MP said that she would arrange a meeting and if possible, ClIr Paul Griffin could be included in that conversation.

Action: Joy Morrissey MP to give an update

8 Greenbelt Events

This had been brought forward from a previous agenda and would not be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

9 Iver Cemetery

This had been brought forward from a previous agenda and would not be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

10 Any other business

A full schedule of event for the Jubilee celebrations would be sent to Joy Morrissey for inclusion in her diary.

Congratulations were offered to Stuart and his wife on the birth of their baby.

Joy gave a brief report on the walkabout that she had attended that afternoon with residents in Pinewood Green, also in attendance were a representative from Buckinghamshire Council Highways Team and TVP (Sergeant covering The Ivers).

11 Date of next meeting

This would be circulated in due course.

Question from Prime Minister's Questions (as per Item 6)

Joy Morrissey MP Question -

The Colne Valley Regional Park runs through my constituency and that of the Prime Minister. Will my right hon. Friend join me in paying tribute to the volunteers who tirelessly work to preserve that precious green space, and will he work with me to create better protections for that park moving forward?

The Prime Minister Response -

I certainly will, and I join my hon. Friend in thanking the wonderful volunteers. I will do what I can to assist her in protecting that beautiful green space.