

Notes of the Littlecombe Liaison Meeting
Held on Wednesday 28th January 10 a.m. 2009 at the Vale Vision Office

1. **Present:** Ian Coggon (IC), GCC, Peter Gilbert (SDC), Gideon Darley (GD) (SDC), Shirley Hill (SH), Vale Vision, Bob Littleford (BL), Vale Vision, Geoff Wheeler (GW), Vale Vision, Dennis Andrewartha (DA) (CPC), Jane Ball (JB) (DTC), Rupert Joseland (RJ) (St Modwen)

Apologies:- James Watts (RDA), Darryl Rogers (SDC)

2. **Minutes and Matters Arising:**

The notes of the previous meeting were accepted.

Darryl Rogers has sent a Note on the Section 106 funding, a full copy is available on request.

RJ provided details of possible play equipment for the Littlecombe site.

RJ will attend the Business Forum in April 2009.

3. **Littlecombe site update:**

i Planning agreement status

RJ reported that:- Planning applications had been approved for Zones A and F and the Lister Petter building. The biomass scheme is progressing. A new application for the Stroud College Construction Skills building was in progress. The Lister Petter move could go ahead; with the new building in place by the end of 2009

ii Site Development Progress and Schedule

Sale of Zone A land to Bloors is now completed. Awaiting decision from Bloors Board for building go-ahead in March 2009

Zone F- St Modwen in discussion with a house builder. Nearby residents want to establish the site at the end of Long Street as a village green. This would need consideration by the GCC CROW committee. . The Towers is more than 50% occupied.

River bridges- St Modwen need a meeting with GCC.

iii Industrial Zone

Unit 5A now let; 2/3 others are in consultation. RJ will provide PG with details re employment numbers etc at each unit. **Action:- RJ**

Lister Petter is seeking funding routes for "fit out" costs. Lister Shearing and Deutz would follow Lister Petter move.

Doctor's Surgery:- will be part of Littlecombe scheme.

iv New Site Occupants

Nothing Reported

v Cycle-way Links

IC will investigate the case for a 20mph limit at the Church Road cycle crossing. **Action:- IC**

vi Drake House

Stroud College has taken one year lease.

4. **Vale Vision Report**

Cycleway

BL reported that progress is continuing particularly with the industrial sites in Cam. The preferred route between Uley and Dursley continues to be investigated; as is the route from Everside Lane

in Cam to Gossington. SH reported that funding bids are being progressed, news expected very soon on whether we will progress beyond the first stage of the RDPE bid. We shall register with Entrust in order to pursue funding from that source.

Large Hall Facility

GW reminded the meeting that Lister Social Club has been restricted by its current constitution in seeking external funding. Following a members' meeting the trustees of the club have been instructed to change the club constitution to a charitable status.

Town Centre Project

The design for the Parsonage St/Castle St link is being pursued by Rachel Small (SDC). The tender to identify the architect for the paving work is progressing.

Business Forum

SH updated members as follows:- First meeting had been in Oct 2008 (Sainsbury's). At the next meeting SDC provided information regarding revised car parking arrangements during the supermarket build. At the latest meeting Stroud College representatives described their current arrangements in Drake House. There will be a breakfast time meeting on 24 Feb. 7.30 am at The Patch Slimbridge. The following meeting will be at Kingshill House with a follow up talk from Sainsbury's.

Sculpture Trail/ Breakheart Quarry

St Modwen will consider sponsorship for the re-launch in the summer. **Action:- RJ**

Breakheart Quarry – Vale Vision and a local motorcycle trials club have applied for a lease.

There are a number of site buildings which could be potentially used in the future

Glos. Wildlife Trust have not decided on relationship with the project.

5. Public Relations

DA sought members views on ways in which public consultation could be improved with the current levels of development activity in the locality. RJ suggested that newsletters may help to achieve what was required.

7. Any Other Business

There was no AOB

8. Next Meeting

Wednesday 29 April 2009, 10.00am at the Vale Vision office, 28, Long Street, Dursley