

EGM 11th January 2013

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1 Who/When/Where

- Club House
- 20:00 11th January 2013 to 10:30
- Who

Laraine Upton	Louise Burr	Stuart Whitticase
Jonathon Brookfield	Freda Walker	Ian Greenaway
Matt Harris	Sharon Nash	Richard Miller

Andrew Upton	Sarah Allen	Vicky Prescott
Peter Harris	Jenny Payne	Graham Prescott
Alison Harris	Hilary Whipp	Jill Mellor
Melanie Hacker	Heather Hudderson	Stuart Payne
Pat Schicker	David Huddleston	Martin Middleton
Rick Siney	Simon Ainsworth	Martin Barrass
Anne Allanson	Keri Nash	Paul Newman
Malcolm Allanson	Greg Butterworth	Douglas Gray Stephens

- Apologies

Mark Patterson	David Cummins	Patrick Byrne
Euan & Tina Lucy-Smith	Philip Lane	Mandy Coar
Derek Walker	Brian & Maria Spence	Sara Cooper
David Fox	David Allanson	

2 Press coverage

- Prior to the meeting Martin Middleton showed recent press coverage relating to the closure and trying to stay on site
 - BBC Look East
 - BBC Radio Cambridge interview with Martin, and then Linda Oliver (County Councilor)
 - Anglia TV

3 Introduction (Douglas)

- Welcome
- Present agenda

4 Approve minutes from EGM on 14th December 2012

- Prior to the meeting 20 copies of the minutes, and printed presentation were circulated
- No questions from minutes
- Approval
 - Proposed Hilary Whipp
 - Seconded Martin Middleton
 - Unanimously approved

5 Change constitution

- Douglas introduce change, so that committee members can call EGM at short notice.

5.1 Current wording

11a. Voting Club Members shall be notified in writing or by eMail of the date of a General Meeting at least 5 weeks in advance of the date and invited to submit items for the Agenda, with, if required, nominations for the Management Committee. The date of the meeting shall also be published in the Clubhouse.

11b. The Annual General Meeting shall not be held later than the end of March each year for the purpose of: receiving the Chairman's Report; receiving the Annual Finance Report for the year ending the previous 31st August ; electing new Management Committee members; and transacting any business brought forward by the Management Committee, or by Voting Club Members who have given at least 3 weeks notice in writing of the business.

11c. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by the Management Committee or in response to a signed request by at least 10 per cent of the current Voting Club Membership.

5.2 Proposed change for 11c

11c. An EGM may be called:

either in response to at least 10% of the current Voting Club Membership (with 5 weeks' notice as per 11a)

or by the Management Committee with 7 days' notice, provided that they have the agenda approved by the same number of non-committee members, as the number elected committee members (i.e. if there are 10 committee members, the agenda needs to be approved by 10 members that are not on the committee). The agenda and the list of sponsors must be sent out with the notice.

5.3 Vote

- Proposed Pat Schicker
- Seconded Simon Ainsworth
- Approved unanimously

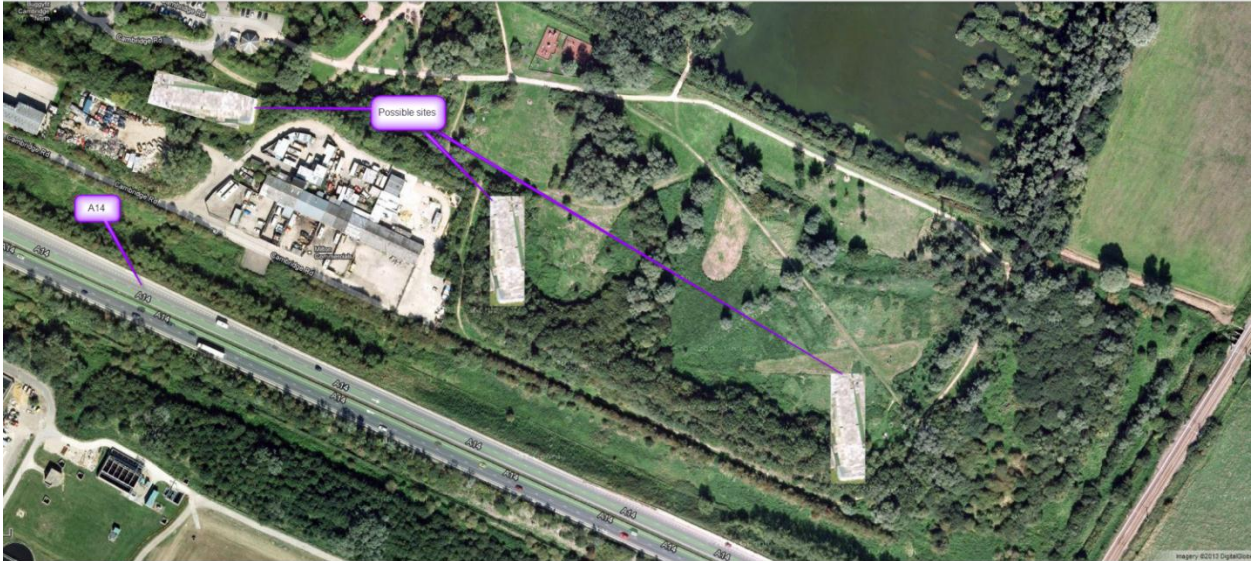
6 Updates

- Douglas
 - Talked to Linda Oliver today
 - Still working to get DIO to change its mind
 - Been in touch with Andrew Lansley, who is in touch with MOD
 - Aware that we need an indication of the outcome by the start of February, otherwise we have to start stripping the site
 - Club will talk to Linda prior to starting this work
 - Stuart Whitticase has given an alternative lead in the DIO
 - Douglas will start to draft a letter, which should be signed by David, and sent out at the start of the week

7 Other sites

7.1 Milton Country Park

- Possible site for training slope, with quick construction to enable continued operation of parties and other activities



- Martin Middleton displayed pictures of the park
- Need to clarify lease/easements (Douglas and Graham Burnett)
- Uncertain about soil suitability, and what has been buried on site (in previous gravel pits)

7.2 Barrington Cement Works

- Cemex are closing and reinstating the site
- Cemex have helped several other local clubs and activities (e.g. cricket, bowls)
- Natural gradient and lots of chalk
- Unsure on what Cemex expects to do with the site once reinstated (maintain ownership, sell off)
- Good record of working with community
- Sebastian Kindersly indicate Cemex are receptive to an approach from us



- Martin Middleton playing telephone tag, but expect a site visit next week

7.3 Cherry Hinton/Netherhalls school

- Sharron had phone call from school saying they had space
Martin Middleton still trying to find out about some suggestions for a slope 20yrs ago
- Lime Kiln Hill is all chalk



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- Early days, no more information obtained so far

7.4 Others

- Grathan Water
 - Comment that Anglian Water can be slow to respond
- RAF Carrington Hanger
 - Potential for internal dry ski slope
 - Listed building

8 Proposal

- Need money (suggest £3k) to talk with planners (could be £300 per meeting/question)
- Netherhall is City Council, so need to work with South Cambs District Council and Cambridge City Council
- Several discussions about focus (Stuart Whitticase, Martin Barras, Rick Siney)
 - Will this divert from pressure from DIO to change its mind
 - Is the money for planning a new site, or related to stripping and storage
 - Should find a storage location, and then work out where kit should be installed
 - Confirmed that we cannot leave things here
 - DIO have refused access for maintenance

- £3k will not go far with architects (Martin Barrass's comment)
- Propose £3k to pay for removal & storage planning
 - Proposed Pat Schicker
 - Seconded Hilary Whipp
 - Unanimous approval (after more discussion)
- Important to keep focus of members as a club
- We are trying to do things that are outside our skill set, so need professionals (legal, plans, soil samples)
- Ideal scenario is that we are allowed to stay by DIO & relocate in our own time
- Suggestion that farm on A1198 (north of camp) has lots of storage (Greg Butterworth has contact details)
- Communications suggestion alternative DIO contact suggest that DIO think that we are an island site on barracks, rather than at perimeter
- May be Cemex could provide storage at Barrington
- Is it possible that Barrington (Cemex) could provide training slope
 - Yes, but we need to investigate this site further (expect site visit next week)
- Some doubt as to who owns Milton Country Park
 - Is Cambridge Sports Lake trust running or owning the park?
- Why are we not doing more at Cherry Hinton
 - Recent lead, and trying to make contact
- Has someone contacted Andrew Lansley (MP for South Cambs) & Oliver Heald (MP North Herts)
 - Yes, Linda Oliver has been coordinating discussions
 - Stuart Whitticase suggests asking parliamentary question
 - Would put pressure on DIO as they have to answer

9 Schedule to pack up site

- Can we leave lifting mat till later (after 2nd Feb) if we get more volunteers
 - Not really, as cannot rely on people turning up
 - Weather not predictable, so progress could be slow
 - Several people away for half term and skiing trips
- Discuss order for removing matt
 - Start at top
 - Start at edges (for widened part of bottom slope)
- What should happen to the club house
 - Can the house be move
 - Could be split but would be tough to align everything again
 - Roof on new section is in one piece
 - Exposed ends of sections can be wrapped in polythene for transport, and to keep worst of the weather out

- May be best left on site for future use, provided the DIO are not going to bulldoze the building (HSE gone mad (c.f. Waterbeach Lido being filled in with rubble)
- Workshop can be moved
 - Need to consider how wet the ground is
 - David Cummings asked that we try to keep and pack skis so they can be serviced (even if at another location)
- Paul Newman confirmed that black shed can be taken down, and rebuild elsewhere
- Have we approached DIO to offer to fund security
 - No
 - Martin Middle said that this may come out of the negotiations that Linda Oliver is coordinating with clubs and other parties
- Mention public right of way
 - Gate room staff being reduced to one person
 - Should press be told about this right of way?
- Clarified position of access from rear of site if we're allowed to stay by DIO
- Suggest that we store mats etc. on farmers field
 - Could just be craned over the fence

9.1 Proposal

- Start removing matting from top and side of slope 2nd February
- Start removing matting from bottom half of main slope 2nd March
- Proposed Martin Middleton
- Seconded Rick Siney
- Unanimously approved

10 Membership rates

- Want to cover cost of insurance and affiliations
- Family membership reduced to one per family
- Racing and instructors may be pay more for additional insurance
- Currently £5 for friends membership
- Guess it will be about £10
- Hilary, Martin and Jane still looking at figures, and needs committee discussion

11 Assistance

- Request assistance for other committees

- Evacuation
 - Relocation
- Send offers to Sharon
- Rick Siney will circulate template letter for people (members, visitors) to use for writing to their MP etc.
 - Stuart Payne will sent Rick facts etc.
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