



FRIENDS OF BODDINGTON MONTHLY REPORT TO THE PARISH COUNCIL October 3rd. 2019

Following the report to the Parish Council on September 4th. 2019, the Friends of Boddington monthly meeting on September 19th. and subsequent meetings, I am pleased to report the following information.

A letter has been received and circulated to the Parish Councillors from Mark Thurston regarding the HS2 visit and meeting August 12th. 2019.

The discussion topics at the FoB meeting were:

- Construction traffic using the Banbury Road, Lower Boddington and pinch points
- The Millennium Way, during and after construction
- The HS2 posts erected in the fields in Lower Boddington
- Sale of surplus land – opportunities and threats to the community
- Landscaping in Lower Boddington and landscaping to minimise the visual impact looking from The Buckle.
- The opportunity to establish trails, cycle tracks and recreational areas within the Lower Boddington boundary within the designated planted areas planned to provide HS2 screening.
- How EK can provide construction machinery to deliver assistance with community projects.
- Future CEF grants
- The success of the CEF grant award

Carley Richards, Fusion, informed that there will be road closures at the Aston Le Walls junction with the A361 over a two month period when construction work recommences in October 2019. Traffic diversions will be in place which will have an impact on the Boddington Parish. In addition to diverted traffic, the school bus routes in the Parish will be

subject to diversions. The PC will be informed immediate further information is received by FoB.

As notified by Esme Cushing, the next HS2 Liaison Meeting is to be held in the Boddington Village Hall at 1.30 on October 4th. 2019. Three escorted tours at 10.00, 10.45 and 11.45 have been arranged to the Heave Trial.

Concerns of Landowners

FoB have a Land and Property meeting scheduled on October 10th with Luke Nipen, Senior Community Engagement Manager HS2 Ltd, and James Tyler-Morris, Property Acquisition Central - HS2 Ltd. The aim is discuss and establish an acceptable format for land and property purchases.

Again, Friends of Boddington has demonstrated to the Parish Council that it tirelessly works for the best interest of every member of the Boddington community. Personal issues, believes, views and direct hardships are not the priority or on the agenda. By constructive dialogue and establishing relationships, improved outcomes are achievable.

Friends of Boddington pledges to work tirelessly for every resident in the Boddington parish, address community, heritage and conservation concerns, fight for the best interests of all parishioners, and deliver a better deal for Boddington.

Philip Freer

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