

# **General Meeting**

- Current directors are volunteers not yet elected by members
- We seek endorsement for the directors as we approach the planning application stage of the AT/TWO proposal

#### **Resolution:**

'The members of Marcham Community
Group endorse the current directors to
represent MCG on planning issues
related to the Anson Trust/Taylor
Wimpey Oxfordshire proposals until a
board is elected at the first AGM.'

## Tonight's meeting



- Brief background
- What you decided in November
- What **MCG** has been doing since November
- Where we are now **implications** and **options**
- To consult members/seek a **community view**



Working towards leisure facilities for everyone based on what the community wants

# **Community facilities...**



# A bird in the hand...?



# ...or two in the bush?



### **Alternative approaches**



#### • Anson Trust

- Sell half of the Anson field
- Build and endow a new facility
- Pass facility management to the community

#### • Marcham Community Group

- Identify the community needs and wishes
- Involve the community in design of facilities
- Raise funding for building works
- Manage and run the facilities

#### **November 2011**



MCG submission on design needs to AT...

- in case that design becomes reality
- ...but oppose the plans if membership feels these do not meet community needs
- You endorsed that approach
- We asked all members for input to design

## Your feedback





#### What MCG has done since then...

 Design spec document to AT and TWO
 15 December



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- Design spec document... 15 December
- Meeting with AT/TWO/DHA...25 January
- Meeting with TWO and MSSSC...1 February
- Review, inputs and comments on designs
- Inputs to TWO exhibition... 2/4 February
- Consultation extended to end of February

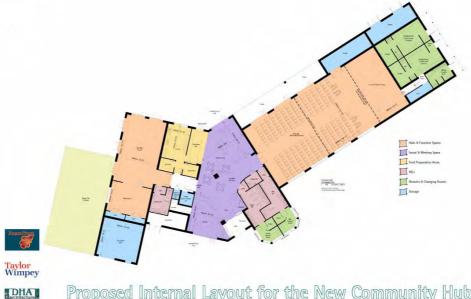
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Proposed Internal Layout for the New Community Hub

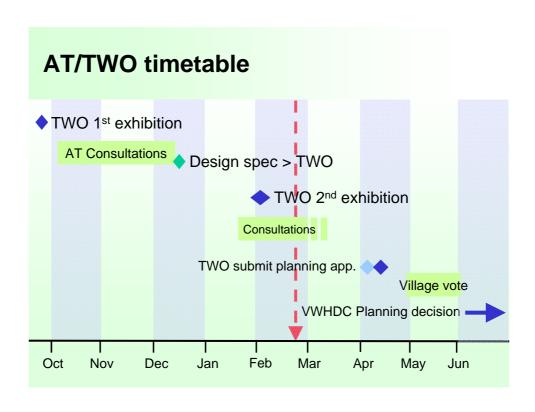
# MCG: Key review points

- Need for permanent stage in main hall
  - rear access to stage
- Size and position of kitchen next to hall
- Position and configuration of bar area
- Easy access to field side for community events
- Provision for youth sports and activities
- Storage needs
- Cost and energy profile
- Identifying elements to fund separately e.g. MUGA

# AT/TWO proposals – revised

However...

...there has been a delay in providing the revised plans



### AT/TWO plan - Pros



- A new facility can be (mostly) funded by proceeds from development agreement
- New build to current standards
- Potentially available from 2013/14

### AT/TWO plan - Cons



- We lose half of the central green area to housing
- New facility beyond the village edge
- Short timescales limit scope for consultation and architectural review
- Limited community 'ownership' of facility design

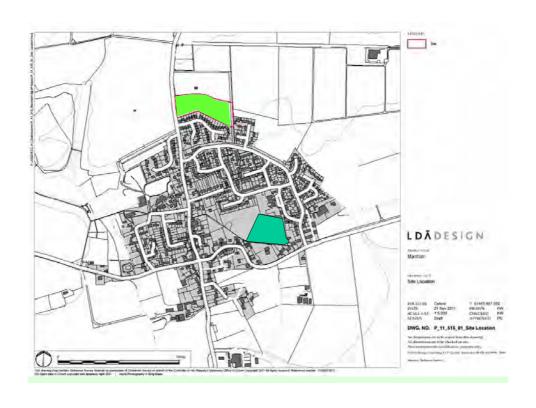
### MCG approach



- There are other options for providing community facilities
- All require developer, grant and/or benefactor input and a major commitment to fund-raising over many years

# Other outline housing proposals...

- Priory Lane 75 houses
- Hyde Copse 50 houses
- Kings Field 49 houses
  - Banner Homes





#### **Headline Pros and Cons**



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AT/TWO	Funds available	Lose green space
proposals		and accept large
		development
MCG	Community	Major commitment
approach	ownership through	to fund-raising over
	MCG	years

## **Next steps**



- Users meeting with TW at Marcham School to review latest detailed plans 29 Feb 7:30pm
- After planning applications have been submitted, email us with your views mail@marcham.org
- MCG will provide guidance notes to help you make your individual comments to VWHDC
- Further open meeting to form an MCG view
- MCG directors to speak at planning committee

### **Planning constraints**



- Housing outside village envelope
  - against planning policy
- Housing **inside** the village envelope
  - in principle, within planning policies
- Recreational facilities outside village envelope
  - allowable
- A housing development of this type must contribute to infrastructure (Section 106)

## Planning decision...

- VWHDC Planning committee
  - advised by their officers
  - compliance with planning policies
  - Interim Housing Supply Policy proposal
- Localism Act (2011)
- A **clear** and **strong** community view will be influential
- MCG needs to form a clear view

### Views of members...



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## And now...



- Your Questions
- Your views



# **Next steps**



- See latest plans
- Ask more questions
- Give us your views
- Join MCG and help us make an impact

