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ROLLE FOR EXMOUTH CAMPAIGN

Newsletter No.1



ROLLE GOES ON THE MARKET

Finally, Plymouth University has put the Rolle site in Exmouth up for sale and tenders must be in by late May. It is likely that property developers will be seeking profitable housing development.

This delay has given the Rolle for Exmouth Campaign time to push for educational and community use for part of the site, to use the excellent facilities and to underline its potential contribution to economic regeneration.

Local demand for post-16 education and training is high, and new opportunities are being researched. The Community College is bursting at the seams, and raising the school-leaving age to 18 will create yet more demand. Since the closure of Rolle College, an estimated £5million every year has been sucked from the local economy.

DESIGN BRIEF FOR THE ROLLE SITE

East Devon District Council's Executive Committee has welcomed a Planning Design Brief for Rolle drawn up by local campaigners, reflecting the use Exmouth can make of the campus site for community, education and business use. The aim is to provide guidance to both Plymouth University and potential developers about what may be acceptable on the site. Commented Roy Pryke: "We need the planners to be robust in obtaining the greatest possible public benefit from any development".

ROLLE FOR EXMOUTH LTD

A new social enterprise company- Rolle Exmouth Ltd – has been formed which aims to try and secure the educational buildings on the Rolle site. It will have the authority and skills to negotiate with developers to achieve public benefit.

Roy Pryke is its chairman and its other directors are Roger Staker, Cllr Mark Williamson, John Wokersien and Jenny Budden.

It has been registered as an Industrial & Provident Society. This gives it:

- the responsibility to ensure that each shareholder has an equal say
- the ability to raise capital to lease or buy Rolle's campus buildings
- the shareholders' right to replace all directors at each AGM

Every shareholder will have one vote and be able to determine the direction of Rolle Exmouth Ltd at its annual meeting in April 2011.

ROLLE FOR EXMOUTH CAMPAIGN SUPPORT

The Rolle for Exmouth Campaign is supported by a number of Task Groups, each pursuing particular roles (such as fundraising, publicity, education, community uses and so on). A Community Engagement Day was held in January and a meeting of all interested parties took place in on 22 April.

CAN YOU JOIN US?

WHAT DO YOU THINK? CAN YOU HELP?

ROLLE FOR EXMOUTH

Questionnaire

Can you help in any way to support the campaign to preserve some of the valuable facilities of the Rolle Campus for the benefit of the local community?

If so please complete this questionnaire so that we can make the best use of your contribution.

Your Name

Your contact details:

Telephone number

e-mail

How would you like to be involved?

- Fund raising
- Publicity
- Canvassing
- Distribution of information
- Other (please specify)

Do you have any special skills or expertise (eg graphics, legal, PR, accountancy, IT)? Please specify

Do you have community contacts that might prove useful?

Do you know of any community groups, which may be interested in using Rolle facilities if the campaign is successful?

Name of group/organisation

Contact details

Email rolleexmouth@googlegroups.com Thank you for your help. Someone will contact you shortly.

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