

Communiqué - People's Panel Meeting no 2. 12 May 2018

The second meeting of the re:imagine Gold Creek Country Club People's Panel was held at the Country Club on 12 May 2018. The meeting was chaired by Ms Amanda Whitley and 20 members of the People's Panel attended. Secretariat support and consultation services were provided by Helen Leayr and April McFadden.

Members of the People's Panel not at the previous meeting were invited to introduce themselves to the group. A representative of the Gungahlin Community Council was welcomed as a member of the panel. It was noted that a representative of Cockington Green has agreed join the Panel.

The meeting was advised that ACTPLA had not been available to attend the meeting due to conflicting pressures on the relevant team. It was agreed that a time suitable to ACTPLA be identified and members who could attend would. The possibility of recording the session, so other members could watch at later time, will be explored with ACTPLA.

The meeting workshoped questions and areas of further information sought by the People's Panel. Questions were developed in the following areas:

- The planning approvals process;
- Any preliminary planning work or discussions with government;
- Changes, or 're:imagining' possible within the current Territory Plan or current land use zones;
- Financial transparency in relation to profitability of the golf course, the level of viability and sustainability targeted and previous and future investment in the course;
- Potential for sale of the golf course;
- The strategic review of the golf course and basis for changes in plans for the course over the past 12 years;
- Relationship between the members' Golf Club and the operations of the course;
- The long term future of the golf course and certainty about the final outcome or 'end'.

Specific questions will be developed for review by the Panel before being finalised. As appropriate the answers to these questions will be sought from KGroup, ACTPLA and/or Troon.

The meeting discussed the significant level of distrust that remained in the community around this project and noted that answers to these questions were an important part of being open, transparent and establishing trust. It was further agreed that the group wanted the discussion to be positive and that questions be framed within the context of the Panel 'being interested in hearing from the KGroup'.

The focus of the next meeting will be to receive information in response to the People's Panel's questions.