

Minutes of the Presidents Liaison Group held at Cheers Bar
Wednesday 7th November 2007 at 1100

Attendees: Terry Watson ----- Blue Hill ----- Chairman
Frank Oliver ----- Blue Lagoon
Alan Norris ----- Eagles Nest
Mike Newland ----- Eagles Nest
Mike Levy ----- El Galan
Brian Lucas ----- Aldea del Monte
Phil Bacon ----- Las Comunicaciones

Web Site, Newspaper & NHW Representatives

Dick Conway ----- Neighbourhood Watch
Peter Flugel

Apologies Carol Sear ----- Miramar & Monteray
Neil Burman ----- Balcon de la Costa Blanca

The Chairman stated that the group is now one year old, although we lost almost six months due to the Mayoral election, the reinstating of Town Hall staff and the Spanish holidays of August.

It is important that Presidents /Representatives unable to attend meetings should if possible send another representative to give the PLG a show of solidarity; to this end it was agreed to attempt to hold the meeting on a regular basis, the second Tuesday of the month.

1. **Water.** The situation is still unclear but Aguaest have been observed taking photographs of depositos (Water storage tanks) ect possibly getting ready to put forward a tender with a view to taking over the water supply. We await with interest to see if the invitation to tender has been placed. The cost of the infrastructure to link Las Filipinas, Villas Maria III and Las Comunicaciones and San Miguel de Salinas is estimated at €3.000.000, which includes new pumping stations and pipe work.
2. **Adoption Status.** Alan Norris at the last meeting stated that Eagles Nest were reviewing the necessity and the financial benefits or not, of being adopted. He advised the committee that it is **a legal necessity for all urbanizations to come under the jurisdiction of the local Town Hall** and each Urbanisation will be made to pay to come up to standard for adoption. Which begs the question what happened to the deposits the builders were suppose to lodge with the Town Hall until the building and infrastructure are complete?
3. **Urbanization Maps.** The Chairman has them and will bring them to the next meeting. **PMN The maps are do not show individual urbanizations but are more a complete grid reference of Las Filipinas.** The Blue Lagoon President, Frank Oliver, has had his map copied and laminated at a cost of €150, he is also having a 2mtr x 1mtr map with grid references covered in Perspex to be displayed at Blue Lagoon Arch at a cost of €120 as he feels the ones from the Town Hall will be a long time coming!!

The Chairman and Frank Oliver are meeting with the Councillor for Urbanization (Sergio Correias) on Monday the 12th November and will ask when we can expect to see the maps at urbanization entrances as these will not only help visitors but most important a guide to emergency services.

4. **Transport**

Has San Miguel missed the bus

“THERES THAT BUS” a bus has been seen driving around, which comes from the Torrevieja Hospital via La Zenia roundabout to Villamartin to El Galan (School bus layby) passed Mercadona and terminates at Cabo Roig (C/Salud) and of course the reverse back to the hospital Time tables are shown on the Blue Lagoon Arch notice board. (PMN I have a copy of the Bus Time Table and will send it out soon)

San Miguel were asked about a bus service in May of this year and we were told the only service that could be provided was one for the Wednesday market. The Mayor would look into improving it next year.

5. **Anti-Social Behaviour.** The 5 aside football pitch on Blue Hill is to be resurfaced shortly and a new fence provided, the cost will be covered by San Miguel Town Hall. The E-mail addressed to Frank Oliver from David O'Brien was discussed and the general opinion was O'Brien was a grumpy old b-----. Frank Oliver will reply.

Frank feels at the moment the San Miguel Town Hall is letting him down badly with promises they fail to keep. He asked if any of the Members of the Committee could come forward with ideas to try and make some progress on this issue.

Eagles Nest Representatives are understood to be meeting Javier from ERNA shortly. Frank asked if they could ask him if there was any reply from his boss with reference to the small area at the side of the Archway to use as meeting place for the youths.

6. **AOB** Peter Flugel stated that there would be a demonstration on the morning of Friday the 9th of November at the Town Hall reference the Mar Azul school problems. The Chairman stated that the PLG could not be seen to support this demonstration as we are trying to remain **A NON POLITICAL ORGANISATION.**

Alan Norris stated that he had heard that the Town Hall were contracting out the maintenance department work as they could not afford permanent staff. He also said he was advised by Inma Hernandez that:- 1. There was to be a meeting at which the Province of Alicante would be presenting one of a series of information/discussions useful to expatriates living in Spain (PMN See E-mail 12th November) 2. The Tourist Information office opened in San Miguel on the 24th October (PMN Mike Levy says not true, his source was Bargain Books immediately opposite who have never seen the door open.)

A web site where useful information can be found is:
<http://www.residenteseuropeos.com>. Click on English, then activities trips etc.

It was asked if the Chairman could ask the Town Hall what was required from El Galan to progress their adoption. On the last visit to the Town Hall the PLG were shown a number of documents to indicate that they were still work in progress on this problem. It is believed that the “illegal” houses can’t be given their “certificates of habitation and deeds” until a new Plan General is approved by Valencia, as it is only the regional government that can re-classify the land from “rustica” to “urbanistica”.

The Chairman produced a list of plants, the Councillor for Urbanizations had given to him, that would be planted in the green area.

It was mentioned that it is believed that planning approval has been given for a new supermarket to be built on the land across the road to Alba bar (Lomas de Golf).

In general discussion it was agreed that we must look for some positive ideas and highlight the good points of living in Spain and more importantly living in San Miguel, so we are not seen as constant moaners.

One way of doing this is to get the Spanish press involved using them to publicise our aims, as the owners of some €340,000,000 worth of real estate, clarifying what we are here to represent and what we are trying to achieve.

www.laverdad.es

www.diarioinformacion.com

www.elpais.com

are the local Spanish newspapers.

It was suggested that the lawyer Maria José Costa Medrano, who is Group President of Asociación de Vecinos por San Miguel de Salinas, may be able to help us with our discussions with the Town Hall. [\(PMN\) A meeting with her is being held on Wednesday 14th November.](#)

Also speak to Louise, Rebecca and Alex. Peter Flugel would advise the German Press.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.30 pm

Terry Watson

Chairman