

**Summary of decisions reached at
Exeter Ecocommunity Project meeting
10th December 2007**

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Present: Sue, Cally, Andrew Diana
Apologies : Liz

Feedback from public meeting: Sue gave an account of public meeting held to promote Exeter Ecocommunity Project. About 17 people attended. This not only helped to encourage new people to become involved, there were also some important points raised from those attending, some of who had previously been involved in community living:

- The need for entry criteria for people who can join
- The need to protect the focus and emphasis
- Some people are very enthusiastic about the idea, even if not on joining, and may be happy to invest time or money into the project
- Lots of talk about investing in the property and selling – and how to stop people selling for a profit.
- People interested in the property: where it would be; urban/rural split etc.

All agreed we should have an informal gathering to meet new potential members. Diana to follow up people who gave a telephone no. and Andrew to follow up the rest by email. Agreed two possible dates in Dec/Jan. Send interested people the 'Story so far' document which may generate more questions or observations that we can explore on the day. Day to run from 12 - 3p.m and ask people to bring a small plate of food or a drink to share.

Comments on 'The Story So Far' document. The group made some adjustments to the document and discussed the possibility of new build. Sue and Cally to investigate development land costs – town and country. Needs to be included in the 'Story so far'.

Initial Timeline: initial ideas for progress were discussed

- a. Jan – March – setting up company; refining criteria; begin property search; individual commitment to investment from private property
- b. April – June - preparing to put house on the market if that's the plan; securing mortgage for company, secondary rules for company/community 'policies'
- c. Late summer/autumn: serious property search