

Exelby Green Dragon Group (EGDG)

Enterprise Inns have informed Hambleton District Council that they intend to put the pub and associated land on the open market. To have your say on the future of the Green Dragon, please come to the meeting and hear about what we can do...



The Pub of the Future

Thursday 26th January, 2017 – 7.00pm at the Green Dragon

Although Enterprise Inns have been trying unsuccessfully to sell the Green Dragon for some time, since we were able to list the pub as an Asset of Community Value they are required to notify us formally of their intentions.

What does notification mean?

- It gives the local community a right to bid and be treated as an equal partner in any negotiations for sale should we wish to explore alternative ownership.
- It gives the council compulsory purchase rights should there be a threat of long-term loss to the community.

What next?

There are many options and opportunities open to us – some ideas are:

- Open a community pub and village hub and shop, perhaps like the thriving George and Dragon at Hudswell. This could be achieved in much the same way by forming a Co-operative and issuing interest bearing shares alongside grants to support much needed capital refurbishment of the premises:
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- Looking towards developing the associated land for community benefit. Some ideas include supported housing for older people or small-scale industry, a microbrewery for example.
- Identifying an individual or company that has the vision to develop a rural community pub.

There are many options some with government and charitable funding to help us realise our plans, but our first step is to confirm with the Council that we wish to be treated as a potential bidder. We need to do this by Thursday 2nd February, 2017, otherwise Enterprise Inns can do as they please.

Please come to the meeting and have your say.

More information can be found at: <https://sites.google.com/site/exelbygreendragongroup>

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