# FIGHELDEAN PARISH COUNCIL: ROYAL ARTILLERY MUSEUM UPDATE OPTIONS FOR VILLAGERS

Following the recent Parish Council Meeting on January 16<sup>th</sup> and the delivery of the subsequent flyer outlining some of the facts associated with the project and the parish council's strategy, many villagers have expressed a wish to formally voice their views (either of concern or support) prior to the publication of the Outline Business Case and any further confirmations from the RAM themselves. **Please see below a reminder of the parish council's strategy and also find options to formally voice your opinions.** 

Army HQ/MOD have informed us that any transfer of land to the RAM will be subject to a successful planning application and local support. This is NOT a "done deal". The land has NOT yet been transferred. The planning application is expected to be submitted to Wiltshire Council in early March. The Parish Council will only officially support or object to the plans for Avon Camp West following consultation with parishioners.

### The Parish Council have agreed the following plan:

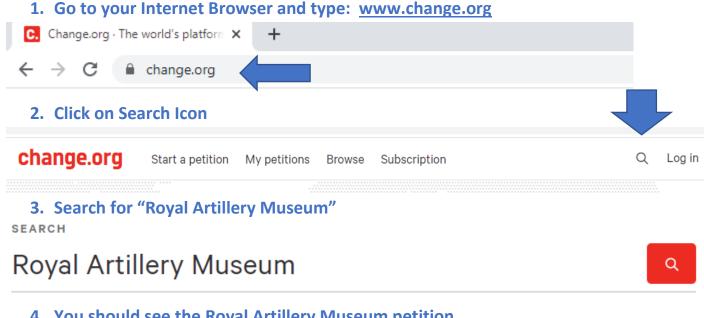
- Await publication of new Outline Business Case (expected in 3 weeks) [this document is similar to a business plan and will give concrete details and assumptions surrounding the project]
- The OBC will be distributed to parishioners and we will ask villagers for questions and concerns that are not covered by OBC.
- The PC will ask for an official documented response from RAM to the unanswered questions/facts.
- We will then distribute and present findings to the parish
- We will hold a dedicated RAM public meeting for the parish (likely to happen after the planning application has been lodged given that the timing will be very similar)
- We will advise what your options are as residents of the parish and how you can voice your opinions.
- We can then establish the view of villagers.

The Parish Council suggests it may be prudent to wait for the release of the Outline Business Case before expressing a view on the proposals BUT should you wish to engage now, villagers have an opportunity to voice their opinions and concerns, as previously outlined, and:

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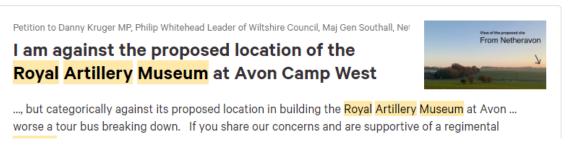
- a. <u>SIGN THE PETITION AGAINST</u> at <u>www.change.org</u>. (instructions overleaf) "I am against the proposed location of the Royal Artillery Museum at Avon Camp West."
  - i. The recipients of the petition are Major-General David Southall at Army HQ who is responsible for any transfer of land to RAM, Wiltshire Council, Danny Kruger MP, Figheldean Parish Council and other local parish councils.
  - ii. Figheldean Parish Council will receive the results of this petition and will therefore be able to gauge villager support.
- b. VOICING YOUR PERSONAL VIEWS FOR OR AGAINST:
  - i. Major-General David Southall (Army HQ) at <a href="mailto:David.Southall203@mod.gov.uk">David.Southall203@mod.gov.uk</a>
  - ii. Our MP, Danny Kruger, at danny.kruger.mp@parliament.uk
- 2. Once the OUTLINE BUSINESS CASE HAS BEEN PUBLISHED
- **3.** During the **PLANNING PROCESS** (to Wiltshire Council and Figheldean Parish Council), once the planning application has been submitted to Wiltshire Council.
- 4. At and following the **DEDICATED RAM PUBLIC MEETING** held for the parish (as explained above)

The PC will endeavour to maintain contact with the village via the Notice Boards, Facebook, email and flyers. Should any of villagers wish to be added to the Parish email distribution list, please send us your names, postal addresses and email addresses by sending an email to the Parish Clerk at <a href="mailto:parishclerkfigheldean@gmail.com">parishclerkfigheldean@gmail.com</a>



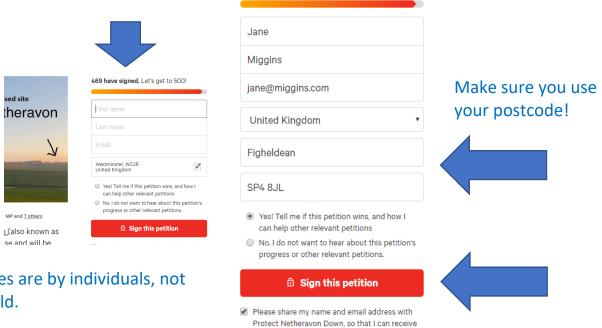
## 4. You should see the Royal Artillery Museum petition

2 results



## 5. Click on Petition and complete your details ensuring that your details are shared!

469 have signed. Let's get to 500!



updates on this campaign and others. Do not display my name and comment on this

Signatures are by individuals, not household.

We remain at your disposal and thank you for your support. Should you have any questions please contact the Parish Clerk.

Figheldean Parish Council: 3rd February 2020