

NEXT STEPS 29-11-2024

Objection Process

- Our lawyer will submit our opposition to the proposed project with the Junta de Andalucía before the deadline of Thursday 5th December.
- We will collect all the signature forms completed so far on Monday at 4pm so they can be properly scanned and collated which will take time. Please leave them with Bernd next to the post office.
- You can still continue to collect signatures until Tuesday at 4pm, please leave with Bernd - this will give us less to process at the last minute
- We will download all the electronic signatures on Tuesday evening, so anything after that will be used in any subsequent process.
- Our lawyer will submit the objection to the water request with the Ayuntamiento.

There will not be an immediate decision from the Junta on whether the project will go ahead, and we probably will have to wait months and possibly years for a decision. This is very distressing for all of us but there is little that can be done to speed up the process.

However, we do not need to stop and wait. There are many questions which have come up during this process which we can continue to pursue to get answers.

Legal Process

In order to ensure that as many people as possible can be included and heard going forward, our lawyer is in the process of setting up an Association which you will be able to join to take an active part in protesting this. An Association will help us to take any steps or legal actions needed to help Protect Canillas without personal liability, and take decisions as a community. We will inform you further as soon as this is ready, but you can already send us a personal message if you would like to join.

Funding

We will need to collect some funds to cover expenses so far, the costs of the lawyers and the cost of an environmental impact assessment which will be beneficial to complete by an independent expert. We will give further details of how this will work and how we will be able to collect donations going forward.

Tourism

We need to ensure that we continue to promote Canillas as a desirable tourist destination which we will do in all possible ways.

Communication

We will continue to maintain the website and Facebook page and publish any updates there for people who don't wish to join the Association, but the whatsapp group will be ended when the Association is established. We will work out the best way to continue to communicate with the wider community of local residents who do not use the internet.