

TTEF PLANNING & CONSULTATION COMMITTEE (TTEF-P&CC)

MINUTES of meeting held Friday 29th December, 2023, 2.30pm at Beechfield Centre

PRESENT JN, TP, IC, JB

APOLOGIES CH MH-B

MINUTES of 10th November 2023

a) Adopted as an accurate record

b) **Action reports**

1) **ALL** - None

2) **IC**

Change of Treasurer - NatWest still to be notified re resignation and change to single signature and online banking. **Action IC**

3) **TP**

a) **Devon Maritime Forum:**

Suzanna Douza of DMF has been asked to provide a summary of their function and involvement with estuary management - still to be followed up. **Action TP**

b) **Signage for bird protection:**

TP had contacted both NDC and TDC. Mark Saunders, Sustainability Officer at NDC confirmed that the two councils were looking at signs requiring signage but that no further action to be taken pending Natural England finalising a round Britain coast path and make an input on signage. Michael Day is the TDC officer. Jn reported that TDC had been active at Northam. TDC will draft a code of practice, to be issued. Follow up with TDC who have not responded. **Action TP**

NDC policy seems to be to encourage specific areas for dog walking and after a discussion on evidence of these areas, some of which charge a hire fee, the policy was welcomed

c) **Yelland Quay South (77453) :**

As this site is not in the 5YHLS plan, it was confirmed NDC had turned down the planning application as they have similarly done at Chill Park and St. Andrews.

d) **Website:**

IC was asked to circulate the development link for the website so that committee members could access and review the work being done by our webmaster. There was some concern expressed about how we decide and agree the content of the new website and after some discussion it was agreed that the P&CC would have to approve the new content before going public. We did not decide how best to do this other than to inform Chris Dee of our decision. Chris Dee to be asked if he will do website maintenance on an ongoing basis although some of us considered that was his voluntary commitment. **Action TP & CD**

NEW BUSINESS

a) Planning Applications

1. White Cross wind farm: A report in the ND Gazette had been circulated by MH-B confirming that NDC had asked the the applicant to withdraw their application which they refused to do. Save Our Sands (SOS) have led a campaign against intrusion on the ecology and built environment. We will continue to monitor developments

2. Middle Dock: This development which had been welcomed by the Forum when reported to us is now the subject of a planning application which we should support on the basis that it maintains the wharf for maritime use. TP offered to write on behalf of the forum to support this application . **Action TP**

b) AGM

TP had produced a Agenda which with minor modifications will be sent out to Forum representatives and member organisations before New Year together with an invitation for nominations for officer positions and confirmation of incumbents prepared to stand for election **Action IC**

c) Youth Involvement The proposal raised by JN will be put to the Forum

d) Membership TP proposed a new organisation to join the Forum called The Steamship Freshspring Trust which is a charitable trust based in North Devon and renovating a ship, SS Freshwater located at Bideford. They will be represented by John Puddy.

e) Special Policy Development Committee - awaiting information from MH-B

f) Resignation of Jenny Carey-Wood - As a regular supporter of the Forum and Manager of the North Devon Coast National Landscape (formally the AONB and renamed) Jenny finishes in April. In recognition of her contribution it was agreed to send a letter of thanks. **Action TP**

AOB

TP asked how often we should meet between quarterly Forum meetings. It was agreed that we could cover the business by meeting twice instead of monthly

NEXT MEETING 2.30pm Friday 2nd February