

REPORT OF THE TTEF PLANNING & CONSULTATION COMMITTEE FOR 19 10 26

The P & CC consists of; Tony Pratt (Chair), Jeff Needham (Vice Chair and Treasurer), Sue Prosper, John Puddy and John Challis. **The Committee is at times struggling to raise a quorum and so new members with fresh ideas are urgently required. If you feel that may be able to help with the day to day running of the Forum please contact either the Chair or Secretary. We meet for 2 hours every 6 weeks approx. on a Friday afternoon.**

The Committee has met three times since the July main meeting; on Friday, 31st August, Friday, 11th September and Friday, 7th October.

Discussion and action has been undertaken on the following topics;

1. The following **Planning Matters** have been considered and/or responses made:-

a) **Richmond Dock, Appledore (TDC 0718), a Grade 2 Listed Building.** This application is still being monitored by the P & CC but currently it still appears to rest with TDC Planning "under consideration".

b) **"A Plan for Northern Devon"** consultation was noted as being proposed. TDC and NDC are in the process of creating a new joint local plan as the current plan ends in 2031. The scoping consultation ended on 11th August. Sue Prosper agreed to write a response which was agreed by P & CC and duly submitted. Thanks to Sue for her detailed work.

c) **Fisherman's Wharf, the Quay, Bideford** A consultation was put out by TDC re the redevelopment of Fisherman's Wharf. The Chair submitted a response although this was restricted by response form provided. A major issue was the possible removal of the cycle way along the Quay.

2. **Finance** as of 11th September

a) i) Balance - £2467.70

`` ii) Expenditure - £25 room hire.

Items b), c) and d) were discussed at the P & CC Constitution Meeting on 7th October

b) Subscriptions

c) Refreshment charge/Donations from member organisations

d) Constitution; Updating the Constitution took place at the Single Item Meeting.

e) Grant Funding; It was agreed that it is impractical to seek grant funding at this time because of the complex nature of applications.

3. **Other matters.**

a) **Future Speakers.** There will be a representative of Devon Wildlife Fund speaking at the October meeting. Suggestions for other speakers are always welcome as would be

representatives of other TTEF member organisations to talk about the work of their organisations.

b) **Wrecks.** The Wreck Survey of the Estuaries has been completed and the top 12 submitted to the Crown Estate who have agreed to begin removal. They have already removed wrecks from Fremington Pill and are working on Vagabond on the Taw. Many thanks to our 6 surveyors who undertook the work.

c) **New Member** John Pavitt of Navantia has been asked to join the Forum.

d) **Harbour Code** We have submitted further comments and the Code has now been adopted by the Port of Bideford. It is hoped that other water based organisations will also adopt it.

e) **Role of TTEF Partner Representatives** It was agreed that these should share agendas, minutes etc from bodies such as the Biosphere and NDCNL with the P & CC to enable them to better represent the TTEF.

Tony Pratt, Chair, TTEF, October, 2026