

TOTNES & DISTRICT SOCIETY

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

Date: Monday 4 February at 2:15pm

Place: Orchard Corner, Kingsbridge Hill, Totnes

Judy Westacott (President)	P
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Members:

Paul Bennett (Chair)	P	Jeremy Logie	P
Sue Bennett	P	Dave Mitchell	P
Jim Carfrae	A	Anne Ward	A
Tom King	P	Kate Wilson	P
John Keleher	A		

P = Present. A=Apologies

<p>1. Apologies – see above</p> <p>2. Minutes - the minutes of the meeting on 24 October 2018 were approved.</p> <p>3. Matters Arising</p> <p>The following were carried forward from previous minutes:</p> <p>i. Upgrade to WordPress software and website. No progress due to IT issues. KW to report to next meeting.</p> <p>ii. Totnes Forum – No further action and remove item from standing agenda.</p> <p>iii. PB, JL and TK have met to review membership list.</p> <p>iv. [No report from AW]</p> <p>v. St. Mary's Partnership – It was agreed at the last meeting that the Totsoc should join and that JW would be its representative. A subsequent email from John Birch indicated that this message had not reached him. TK to follow up</p> <p>4. Reports:</p> <p>a. Chair (PB)</p> <p>Station Pond - PB has a list of questions on the proposed works and has tried to speak to Luke Hare at Network Rail, so far without success. PB will forward all comments and questions to LH and request a meeting. It is now understood that platform 1 is to be extended in the Newton Abbot direction so the pond and related work will not start until after the platform work is completed.</p>	<p>Action</p> <p>KW</p> <p>TK</p> <p>TK</p>
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	<p>Civic Voice Survey - PB had responded to the recent questionnaire, as had several other members.</p> <p>b. Others</p> <p>No reports from Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Secretary, PA&DF and Totnes Forum.</p> <p>It was agreed that TF be removed as a standing item on future agenda.</p> <p>c. Planning Officer</p> <p>Nellies Wood View Land - KW reported that the developer was now consulting on a revised scheme to include housing and a reduced area (860m² as opposed to 1200m²) of employment land. The 'shipping container' design appears to have been dropped. On a related issue KW reported that SHDC had refused consent for the retention of the brick wall on Ashburton Road but due to it being in the ownership of the highway authority, enforcement action could prove problematic.</p> <p>JLP - KW reported that this was expected to be published in 'the Spring'.</p>	TK
5.	<p>Neighbourhood Plans</p> <p>Totnes - JW reported that the subcommittee of the Town Council had not met as intended so the progress was delayed.</p> <p>Dartington - KW reported that they were working towards a Regulation 14 consultation document. They had still to resolve how to integrate the DHT Estate Framework into the Dartington NP.</p> <p>Guidance - KW has recently attended a training session on the preparation of neighbourhood plans and noted the importance of getting key issues into the 'policies' that are fully examined rather than allowing matters to be dealt with in 'appendices' that are not subject to the same scrutiny.</p>	
6.	<p>Membership of TCDS</p> <p>PB reported that TCDS had promoted the Atmos project and now owned the Mansion in Fore Street. KW noted that it planned to take over the buildings on the KEVICC Elmhirst site for community use.</p> <p>It was agreed that Totsoc should join and encourage its members to do the same. A donation of £100 to TCDS was approved. TK to deal with membership and getting a cheque from JL.</p>	TK/JL
7.	<p>European Rural Parliament</p> <p>It was decided that with current uncertainty over the UK's future relationship with the EU, it would be premature to join at the</p>	

	moment but that the matter should be reconsidered in six months time.	TK
8.	Matters raised by members The committee appreciated the message of support from Michael Dower and TK was asked to respond.	TK
9.	Contact DM confirmed that the deadline for articles for the next edition was 31 March. It was agreed that KW would review the format prior to DM setting the contributed articles. Articles confirmed to date: Civic regalia (JW), Station works (PB) and a 'plug' for membership of TCDS (JL).	KW JW, PB, JL
10.	AOB - None	ALL
11.	Date of next meeting - Monday 25 March 2019 at 14:15	