TOTNES & DISTRICT SOCIETY

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

Date: Monday 2 September 2019 at 2:15pm

Place: Orchard Corner, Kingsbridge Hill, Totnes

Judy Westacott (President)	Α

Members:

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

P = Present. A = Apologies

1. Apologies – see above	1.	Apologies -	see above
--------------------------	----	-------------	-----------

2. Minutes

- a. Previous minutes the minutes of the meeting on 03.06.19 were approved.
- b. Matters arising

The following were carried forward from previous minutes:

i. 2(b)(i) TCDS Membership – Application has been completed and JL is dealing with payment of the agreed donation.

JL

ii. 6(a)(ii) Tree planting – TK confirmed that he had tried to contact both Morrisons and the Environment Agency regarding the river bank planting adjacent to Morrisons' car park but had yet to get a response. He will continue to chase.

TK

iii. 6(a)(iii) Totnes Times – PB had been unable to interest TT in running a regular article on conservation issues. It was noted that TT is now a South Hams newspaper rather than simply for Totnes.

iv. (9) DM agreed to migrate the data from the old website to the new and KW will then offer some basic instruction to members on how to edit in Wordpress.	DM/KW
3. Contact	•
a. Contributions	
DM confirmed that he has received one contribution from KW. The other contributions promised were:	
i. Leechwell Garden Pool – DM	
ii. St. John's Church, Bridgetown – JK to arrange	DM
iii. Brutus Centre proposals – PB	JK
iv. Barry Weekes obituary – JK	PB
b. Copy Deadline	JK
DM asked for the remaining contributions to be provided as soon as possible.	
4. 2019 AGM	
 Date and venue – Wednesday 23 October at 7:00pm at Totnes Boating Association, Steamer Quay Road, Totnes. 	
 Speaker¹ – Mary Coughlan-Clarke of TTT has agreed to speak and PB will ask her to provide a title and if possible some graphics for the flyer. 	
c. Refreshments – It was not intended to have a bar, as this would be a significant additional cost. TK will check if tea and coffee can be offered.	PB
d. Publicity – For previous AGM's, flyers and posters have been prepared and circulated. KW offered to prepare the artwork/copy.	TK
e. Entry Fee – it was agreed that all attendees be invited to make a donation of £3 towards the cost of the venue.	KW
5. Reports:	

 $^{^{1}}$ Post meeting note: MC-C has had to withdraw. Professor Chris Balch has agreed to speak on 'The Future for High Streets'.

a. Chair

Station garden and pond - PB pursuing Network Rail regarding the planting up of the garden and connecting the pond to its water supply following completion of the structural work

b. Secretary

i. 2018 Annual Return - TK confirmed that the Annual Return for the charity had been filed but that the income and expenditure figures for 2019 had be used instead of those for 2018. As The Charity Commission will only deal with a trustee to change these, PB agreed to contact them.

PB

ii. 2019 Annual Return – TK circulated a draft of the return prior to the meeting. There were no comments or corrections so TK will file it.

TK

c. Treasurer and Membership

i. 2019 Accounts – In the absence of JL, TK agreed to circulate the accounts that have been signed off by the independent examiner.

TK

ii. Legal Entity Identifier² (LEI) – A question was raised as to whether Totsoc needed to have an LEI. TK will discuss this with JL

TK/JL

d. Planning Officer

Dartington:

- Wall adjacent to Nellies Wood View KW reported that Dartington Parish Council was pressing SHDC for details of the enforcement action that it will take following the decision of the planning inspector to refuse consent for the wall to be retained.
- ii. Puddevine Yard/Nellies Wood View KW reported that the previously reported revised planning application had not been submitted and that the site was now for sale.

 $^{^2}$ LEI is a unique global identifier of legal entities participating in financial transactions. The identifier is used in reporting to financial regulators.

iii. Webbers Yard – Prior to the meeting KW had circulated a copy of the sale particulars for Webbers Yard.

Totnes:

iv. Brutus Centre - PB reported that he and others would be meeting Churchill Retirement Living on 4 September prior to a public meeting later the same day. PB will report to the committee following the meeting with a suggested course of action for Totsoc.

PB

e. PA&DF

i. Baltic Wharf – AW provided an update on the development. IT was noted that the project manager, Suzanne Heath would be on maternity leave from 20 September until April 2020. In her absence, Lucy Badrocke who is based in Bristol would handle the project. AW also circulated details of 'Brutus Explorer' and interactive sculpture that would allow visitors to Baltic Wharf to learn about the local environment.

6. Other Reports

Local Authorities – PB has agreed with Cllrs. Jo Sweett (SHDC) and Cllr. Colin Luker (TTC) to provide reports from their respective Councils for our committee meetings.

7. Neighbourhood Plans

- a. Totnes PB reported that TTC is continuing its work on revising the draft NP produced by the former Steering Group
- b. Dartington KW reported that the parish council was still waiting for input from the Dartington Hall Estate.
- 8. Matters raised by members None
- 9. AOB None
- 10. Dates of future meetings
 - a. AGM Wednesday 23 October at 19:00.
 - b. Committee Monday 4 November at 14:15.