

# TOTNES & DISTRICT SOCIETY ('TOTSOC')

## Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The executive committee met on Tuesday 7 September 2021 at 5:00pm at the REconomy Centre, Totnes.

### Members and Apologies:

Paul Bennett	P	Jeremy Logie	A
Jim Carfrae (chair)	P	Dave Mitchell	P
Tom King	P	Kate Wilson	P

*P = Present. A=Apologies*

The minutes of the meeting on 20 July 2021 were approved.

### 1 Discussed

- a. Action points from the previous meeting
  - i. CONTACT – contributions were agreed – see Action Points
  - ii. AGM – JC confirmed that Rob Hopkins would be the speaker. Date agreed as 28 October subject to confirmation of venue.
  - iii. Planning Applications – TK to include Dartington in future reports.
  - iv. Accounts – TK to check with JL that final accounts are ready to include in CONTACT.
- b. Finance and Membership – JL confirmed prior to the meeting that he had nothing to report on these items.
- c. Planning Officer/Neighbourhood Plans

Totnes (PB) – Nothing to report

Dartington (KW) – The council committee is working to resolve issues with its consultants and it is unlikely that the plan will be at Regulation 14 stage until 2022.
- d. Major projects
  - i. Atmos Project – PB reported that TCDS remained optimistic about its prospects to recover the project. TK noted that TCDS had not filed its annual return and accounts that were due at the end of July.
  - ii. Baltic Wharf – PB reported that he had heard nothing further from Jeff Bishop.

- iii. Brutus Centre – It was agreed that Totsoc would object to the re-submitted application by Churchill Retirement Homes on the grounds of design and inadequate affordable housing contribution.
- iv. Dartington, Transition Homes – It was noted that TH were submitting a revised application to increase the number of units including those for open market sale. This was necessary to maintain the financial viability of the project. After JC declared a conflict of interest as a director of Transition Homes and took no part in the discussion. The committee agreed to support the revised application.
- v. KEVICC – Following the last meeting TK contacted Georgina Allen to pass on the suggestion that the Elmhurst site might be considered as suitable for an Asset of Community Value. GA confirmed that this was already being actioned by the Totnes Town Council.
- e. Matters raised by members/others – none
- f. AOB - None

## **2 Decisions**

- a. Confirmation of date of AGM
- b. Totsoc to object to Churchill Retirement application on the Brutus Centre
- c. Totsoc to support the amended application by Transition Homes at Puddavine.

## **3 Next meetings –Tuesday 12 October at 6:00pm at REconomy Centre.**

AGM Thursday 28 October at 7:00pm at TBA Clubhouse