

**TOTNES & DISTRICT SOCIETY
(‘TOTSOC’)**

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The executive committee met on Tuesday 6 June 2023 at the REconomy Centre, Totnes.

1 Members and Apologies

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

P = Present. A=Apologies

In Attendance Rod Hewett

JC opened the meeting and introduced Rod Hewett who has expressed an interest in joining the committee. All members gave a brief introduction of themselves.

2 Minutes - The minutes of the meeting on 23 February 2023 were approved.

3 Discussed

- a. *Matters arising from previous minutes (not covered below)* - None.
- b. *Committee Membership* – JC reported that in addition to Rod Hewett, Laurence Green was interested in joining the committee and taking on the editor role of CONTACT. Although the previous minutes had recorded Dave Mitchell’s resignation as a member there appeared to be some uncertainty as to whether he had resigned from both the committee and editor role of CONTACT or only the latter. JC to contact Dave to clarify.
- c. *Meeting with other heritage groups* – No further progress on the proposal by Pru Boswell that was reported at the last meeting.
- d. *Committee Reports* – Nothing to report.
- e. *Planning Officer/Neighbourhood Plans*
 - i. Totnes – Nothing to report.
 - ii. Dartington – Nothing to report.
- f. *Major projects*
 - i. Dairy Crest/Brunel Park – The current application by Fastglobe was discussed. It was agreed that PB should write to Julian Brazil as Leader of

SHDC suggesting a CPO/use of site to relocate SHDC offices. JC agreed to draft and circulate a response to the planning application.

JL left meeting.

- ii. Baltic Wharf – it was noted that Acorn was having a consultation on the latest proposals at the Civic Hall on 9 June. All present indicated that they would attend. Following the presentation, the committee would consider its response to the planning application when submitted. Specifically, the details would be considered against the JLP.
- iii. KEVICC – The committee thanked KW for her work on the letter to the Secretary of State. TK agreed to draft a covering letter to send with a copy to local MP and SHDC planning.

g. *Accounts, CONTACT and AGM*

JL confirmed that he was ready to complete the annual accounts after the year end (30 June) and asked that he be provided with any outstanding invoices etc before the end of the month.

JC reported that Laurence Green had agreed to take on the production of CONTACT. The next edition should be sent out this autumn.

It was agreed that the next AGM would coincide with a late autumn committee meeting and be formal business only. TK would include a proposal to adopt a new constitution. The work on this was completed just before the pandemic but not taken to members.

- h. *Matters raised by members/others* – None.
- i. *AOB* – It was agreed that TK should circulate members on current major planning applications.

2 Next meeting – Tuesday 1 August 2023 at 18:30.