TOTNES & DISTRICT SOCIETY ('TOTSOC')

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

Monday 18 November 2024 at the REconomy Centre, Totnes.

1 Members and Apologies

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

 $P = Present. \ A = Apologies$

2 **Minutes** - The minutes of the meeting of 23 September 2024 were approved.

3 Discussed

Matters arising from previous minutes (not covered below)

RH was congratulated for the production and distribution of CONTACT, and it was agreed that its production should be a standing item on the agenda for future meetings.

JC confirmed that he had made an objection on behalf of Totsoc to the application on The Kingsbridge Inn for a certificate of lawfulness for the existing use of property as a single dwellinghouse.

a. Planning Officer/Neighbourhood Plans

Dartington NP – KW reported that it was expected that the plan would be ready for Regulation 14 consultation by March 2025.

Totnes NP - nothing to report.

KW noted the DCC Countywide Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) consultation that closes at the end of November and circulated minutes of a recent Totnes Traffic &Transport Forum meeting.

KW will attend the meeting with Totnes Town Council to review the Totnes Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan. The meeting will be on 21 November.

b. Annual Accounts and AGM

Accounts – TK confirmed that the details had been filed with the Charity Commission.

AGM – The meeting immediately preceded the committee meeting. There were insufficient members present to form a quorum, so the meeting was adjourned. It was agreed that the meeting should now take place immediately before the next committee meeting on 18 January 2025 at which the quorum will simply be those members present. TK will inform the membership and give the required notice of 7 days.

c. Committee Reports

The were no reports from the Chair and Secretary

The membership Secretary (JL) reported that all except two members had renewed their membership in October. A further five members are due for renewal later in the financial year.

d. Major projects

There was nothing to report on the proposals at Dairy Crest, Baltic Wharf and Steamer Quay (care home).

JC (a trustee of Transition Homes) reported that Aster Homes were due to start work on the Puddavine site within the next two weeks.

4 Issues raised by members/others

Land at Littlehempston Water Treatment Works, Hampstead Farm Lane, Littlehempston - The committee considered the email from a member and agreed that it would be difficult to reason an objection without more specific information. It was agreed that TK should respond to the member.

- **AOB** It was agreed that formal notices such as notice of the AGM should be by email only as that was now permitted under the constitution adopted in 2023. To this end it was agreed that we should write to:
 - **a.** all members advising them of this and at the same time asking them to update their postal address details to facilitate delivery of CONTACT; and
 - **b.** to those members for whom we do not have email addresses, requesting that these be provided.
- **Next meeting** Monday 13 January 2025 to follow the adjourned AGM at 5:30pm.