



MINUTES OF NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN TORQUAY
Torbay Yacht Club, 6.30pm – 8.30pm
14th May 2012

Board Members:

Susie Colley	(SC)	Chair person
Lee Kerslake	(LK)	Vice Chair
Julie Brandon	(JB)	Minute taker
Kerri Underhill	(KU)	Minute taker

Present:

Gillian Kendall	Arthur Christie	Usha Garrattly	Barry Dunnage
Anne Dunnage	Chris Smith	Kayte Smith	Helen McDonald
Margaret Forbes-Hamilton	Pat Steward	Ian Broadfoot	Mike Lister
Richard Maddock	Glyn Ley	Cllr Steve Darling	John Rawson
Roy Ashwell	Colin Ritchie	Martin Cavanna	Paul Turner
Declan Shanahan	Hazel Robertson	Nick Burleigh	C Humble
Cllr Darren Cowell	M Spring	Sue Cheriton	Caroline Custerson
Martin Edgell	John Doble	Alan Griffey	John Docherty
Richard Icearle	Cllr Excell		

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Item No	Minute/Action Agreed	By whom	By when	Completed Carried forward	Additional Note/Action
1.	Welcome, Housekeeping and Apologies				
	<p>SC welcomed everybody and started the meeting. Explained the fire exits and asked everybody to sign the attendance record sheet.</p> <p>Apologies: Chris Forster, Paul Raybold, Gordon Jennings, Marshall Ritchie, Heidi Hallam, Peter Shipman, Barry Buxton, Jane Cross, Tony Norton, Rev Macey, Rev , Pat Bishop, Cllr Robert Excell (late)</p>	<p>SC</p> <p>SC</p>			
2.	Matters Arising from 02nd April 2012				
	<p>No Matters Arising</p> <p>Proposer – Cllr Darren Cowell Seconder – Margaret Forbes-Hamilton</p>	<p>SC</p> <p>SC</p>			
3.	AOB Declaration				
	<p>Ocombe House Balloon Gate at Upton Park</p>	<p>SC MS Unkown</p>			
4.	<p>Governance (a) Constitution, (b) Adoption of application for designation for Neighbourhood Area (Regulation 5) and Application for designation of a Neighbourhood Forum (Regulation 8)</p> <p>Formation/Nomination/Acceptance of Forum Members</p> <p>Process of Nomination of Officers And Core Membership (to be held 29.05.12)</p>				
	<p>Governance – Andrew Gunther</p> <p>Gave a brief description of the Neighbourhood Plan and the outcomes of the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Please see attached copy of slideshow.</p>	<p>AGunth</p>			

<p>Questions from the slide show up to proposed structure outcomes</p> <p>In a wake it's a way of suppressing the usual suspects. It might water down opposition to development.</p> <p>Actually it's the opposite. If you give voting rights to anyone who turn up to the meeting then it is done and dusted. But what we are trying to do, under the new plan/strategy is getting an overview of the floor, then getting the main core group to make the main decisions. We are representing the whole of the Bay not just a small group.</p> <p>1 – 6 week consultation – is that an opportunity to tweak the current plans with new/additional ideas? 2 – 1 school represented should be both types of schools, Primary and Secondary.</p> <p>1 - Actually the constitution is a yes or no view 2 - The exact kind of feedback we would like to have. We would like all types of views to come forward with additional groups/ideas etc.</p> <p>When you make the decisions is there any priority made for the Neighbourhood Plan itself?</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Plan will cover the whole of Torbay. You need to stick to the process of the plan as it's a Neighbourhood Plan. But it is a community lead plan. The plan itself is made by the community and members forum.</p> <p>Each of the chapter in Neighbourhood Plan, that green piece of land that has been identified by the community will be incorporated in the plan itself.</p> <p>Babbacombe, St Marychurch, Plainmoor has been fighting to be identified as 1 of the 4 main towns of Torquay. I'd be reassured if the plan was created from the bottom up and adapted by the wider plan.</p> <p>I expect St Marychurch etc. will be included in the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Are we going to get information in advance to tell us how many telephone masts we are going to get in the next 25years, so we can incorporate it into the Neighbourhood Plan?</p>	<p>AG</p> <p>PS</p> <p>Cllr SD</p> <p>AGunth</p> <p>HR</p> <p>PS</p> <p>Cllr DC</p> <p>AC</p> <p>PS</p> <p>JD</p>			
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<p>Yes we are and we will outline these in advance for you to discuss and see if it will work for you.</p> <p>Seem to have collisions. I feel at the beginning of each meeting/forum if we can get the initial data at the start then we can identify our needs and agree them.</p> <p>If it's going to a referendum then it still gives people a chance to "gate crash" the development and exclude the rest of the community if the decision is being made by the core membership.</p> <p>Questions from slide show – current slide at this point was Story so far</p> <p>Can that be emailed (the time scale)?</p> <p>We initially had sub-groups that were dispersed, but after the Princes Foundation workshop it was decided that we would concentrate on two key areas – Torquay Gateway (Edginswell) and Torquay Town Centre. All work that had been done by the subgroups will be included and incorporated into the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>Just a suggestion for members of other community partnerships for ones that have conservation areas, go on the council website and read the conservation area appraisals.</p> <p>The list is weighted towards people who own things for example landlords and property owners and not tenants itself.</p> <p>Add the group onto our worksheets provided by Tracey Cabache. This is what we are here for, to identify new groups.</p> <p>With representatives will be there be a way where we can add representatives later on? So we don't have to decide now/today?</p> <p>Yes</p>	<p>PS</p> <p>ME</p> <p>ML</p> <p>Cllr DC</p> <p>SC</p> <p>MFH</p> <p>SC</p> <p>ML</p> <p>SC</p>			<p>SC to email to all attendees</p>
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<p>1.3 says about Paignton, should that say Torquay?</p>	<p>ML</p>			
<p>Yes it should say Torquay so it is a typo error. The information has been taken from Paignton's document and should have all the correct information.</p>	<p>AGunth</p>			
<p>Where there are representatives to community partnerships, can we please have the full name of the partnerships?</p>	<p>JR</p>			
<p>Yes we can but it seems some people do not have the updated document. The latest one was sent out to everyone on Friday by Susie.</p>	<p>PS/AGunth</p>			
<p>Can we have a show of hands to see who is in favour of the area regulation 5? The majority are in favour.</p>	<p>SC</p>			
<p>Has an objection – it says 'elected member' but not yet had elections.</p>	<p>ML</p>			
<p>May 29th next meeting – form the core membership, people who are nominated will be appointed at that meeting (chair, vice chair, secretary etc.)</p>	<p>SC</p>			
<p>No reason why he couldn't be an independent group or part of a business group.</p>	<p>Cllr RE</p>			
<p>Can you swop core members around for decision making?</p>	<p>HR</p>			
<p>Yes we can build this into the Neighbourhood Plan and constitution.</p>	<p>PS/AGun</p>			
<p>Key thing is we make sure we include in the process the people who have good skills to offer. This can be done within the 2 key focus groups aswell as the community partnerships.</p>	<p>CllrDC</p>			
<p>On the list we have organisation's that are not small businesses. We need to add businesses/area of society like the lions club.</p>	<p>AC</p>			
<p>Anyone got any objections for designation of a Neighbourhood Forum (regulation 8) – no objections, the majority agreed</p>	<p>SC</p>			

	Constitution – any objections or changes? No objections or changes	SC			
	Can I have a show of hands in essence that everyone agrees with the constitution? The majority raised their hands.	SC			
5.	Discussion of Proposed third project area				
	Any suggestions of a possibility of a third project area?	SC			
	I suggest we review this in September as we already have the 2 key areas as come September we will still have time to do a 3 rd area.	Cllr SD			
	To make Torquay community a more aware and included we need to get it away from the main centre. I suggest Maidencombe.	MFH			
	Really important we define distinctive areas at the beginning and I suggest Hele and Watcombe. We cannot forget about St Marychurch, Plainmoor community partnership we should still be included.	AC			
	We need to decide and define what we want to achieve. Need to define what the background is.	Unknown			
	SWOT Analysis –being undertaken by all Community partnerships to give overview to help construct the Plan	SC			
	I support Steve and think it is sensible that we do concentrate on the 2 key areas as they are our main priority. As for Hele and Watcombe, Hele's Angels have their own partnership and what they have achieved is amazing and the plans they have are excellent so they do not need looking at. 2 things we don't have is sufficient time and resources. Melville Street and Warren Road are in desperate need of change.	Cllr DC			
	Concerned about reacting on statistics from councils etc. instead of concentrating on what the community want.	AC			
	Yes this has got to come from the bottom up. The core strategy and Neighbourhood Plan are there for guidance and collectivity it is our town!	SC			
	Agreeing with Martin. If we are not careful and don't support the town centre it will end up becoming a row of charity shops. Plymouth and Exeter are so far ahead of us it's laughable.	JDoble			

	<p>What I would like to see in our area is a beautiful arts centre for a number of different arts area. We are a beautiful place and this could bring a different ethos to the community/tourism.</p> <p>Come April we can build on the experience we have gained from the first 2 key groups because the Neighbourhood Plan will continue after the 12 months plan.</p> <p>This is a golden opportunity to get the council to listen to the community which they haven't been able to do in the past.</p> <p>At the next NP meeting there will be an exhibition at the Yacht Club showing Torquay past, present and future. If all information is captured in SWOT Analysis, it works as a positive and a negative.</p> <p>When we talk about Gateway what do you mean by that?</p> <p>From Edginswell right the way into Torquay into the top of the town centre (Torre)</p>	<p>HR</p> <p>ML</p> <p>Cllr RE</p> <p>SC</p> <p>JDoble</p> <p>SCherit</p> <p>SC</p>			
6.	AOB				
	<p>Gave a brief resume of the actions of the Care Trust regarding vulnerable resident of Occombe House being moved to Dunboyne.</p> <p>Asked everyone if they are not happy with this, can they please personally contact the council and express their views.</p> <p>What is happening with the balloon?</p> <p>It is yet unknown but there is an upcoming meeting to discuss this.</p> <p>There was not enough time to discuss the gate at Upton Park</p>	<p>SC</p> <p>MS</p> <p>SC</p>			

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

Next meeting is on 29th May 2012 - Yacht Club at 6.30 pm

**Signed
Date**

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