EXMOUTH REGENERATION BOARD ACTION POINTS FROM A MEETING HELD AT EXMOUTH TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 13 DECEMBER 2018

Present:

Cllr Phillip Skinner	r PS	EDDC
Cllr Pauline Stott	PS	Exmouth Town Council
Cllr Tim Dumper	TD	Exmouth Town Council
Richard Cohen	RC	EDDC
Tim Wood	TW	Honorary Alderman
Richard Jacobs	RJ	EIC Group
Peter Gilpin	PG	LED
Roy Pryke	RP	Chairman – Exmouth Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
Chris Lane	AT	East Devon District Council
Dave Turner	DT	East Devon District Council
Linda Perry	LP	East Devon District Council
Julian Tagg	JT	Exeter City Football Club
Jim Hill	JH	Propeller Exmouth
Dave Turner	DT	East Devon District Council
Lisa Bowman	LB	Exmouth Town Council
Alison Hayward	AH	EDDC
Steve Morton	SM	Deaf Academy

Apologies:

Leigh Rix	LR	Clinton Devon Estates
Cllr Richard Scott	RS	Devon County Council
Cllr Jeff Trail	JT	Devon County Council
Paul Diviani	PD	EDDC
lan McQueen	IM	Exmouth Chamber of Trade & Commerce
Cllr Jill Elson	JME	EDDC

The meeting started at 9.30am and finished at 11.35am.

Item	Notes/Decisions	Action
1. Introduction	Those present were welcomed to the meeting.	Noted
2. Report of meeting held on 20 September 2018	The report of the meeting held on 20 September 2018, was confirmed as a true record.	Noted
3. Declarations of interest	Cllr Pauline Stott – Personal interest: she was on the board of the water sports centre.	Noted
4. Coastal Communities team - update	AH reported on the Stage 2 application for coastal communities funding that the Economic Development and Regeneration Team was working on it with colleagues in Strata, Countryside, Environmental Health &Car Parks, Planning, Communications & Street Scene teams. There was £40M of funding available nationally with bids totalling £90M. AH explained that the EDDC bid for funding had been to enhance connectivity and physical access along the coast. The main themes are Free Wi-Fi along the seafront of all our main coastal towns An East Devon mobile app to publicise places and events and facilitate engagement with local businesses. HD Webcams for all our main seafronts and beaches. Electric bike hire (Co-Bikes) and tramper off road disability vehicles at Exmouth and Seaton. New campervan facilities – Exmouth pilot with potential to roll out at other East Devon sites. Members discussed how there was synergy between	Noted
	CCTV systems in Exmouth and how they could be connected to 'show off' Exmouth. This would be the subject of further discussion (however there was some caution noted about the need to keep security and crime prevention tools separate and secure). This would be the subject of further discussion.	
	RESOLVED that the issue of CCF funding be an item for the next agenda of the Board.	
5. Flood defence and sea wall repairs	DT reported that an application for the Flood defence and sea wall repairs would be going to DMC for decision in January. If this was approved then work could start in March and the main compound would be based at the Estuary Car Park. But there would be work going on in other parts of the town.	Noted

JT reported on progress at Warren View and that the Exeter City Community Trust were looking at drawing down funding of £1M from the FA to pursue the project.

DT reported that following the Cabinet decision there was found to be the need for a Geo Technical Survey which would start on 9 February 2019 and would take 3 weeks to complete and a further 6 weeks to obtain the results. The work would involve drilling small bore holes.

PS commented that there was sheltered housing around Warren View and it was agreed that the local members should have the responsibility of notifying those householders regarding the work.

JT reported that in order for the funding to be available, here was the need for certainty regarding the following issues:

- 1. A minimum of a 21-25 year lease
- 2. Grant of planning permission
- 3. Filling the 40% gap of missing funding.

Although the scheme would drawdown Premier League/Football funding it would provide health & wellbeing benefits for Exmouth and include opportunities for other sports. There was however, a £400K funding shortfall at present and also the need for the Business Plan to show breakeven. JT emphasised that Exeter City Community Trust was a charity and did not operate to make a profit, but as a charity was generally risk adverse.

ACTION JT and DT to liaise further on the way forward for the Warren View project.

DT/JT

SM reported that the Deaf Academy should be in residence in Exmouth in 18 months and could make use of the facilities which would be provided at Warren View. The social inclusion of young people who might not otherwise be engaged was an important part of the project.

6a.Queens Drive update – temporary uses review and 2019 planning application

AH reported that work on the car park site had just started and was due for completion in early May. Communication with the public regarding progress on the work continued.

Noted

A planning application for the temporary uses on the Queen's Drive Space had been submitted as the original approval was only for one year. Members discussed the length of time which the temporary uses planning permissions should be applied for.

	Members, without dissent, agreed that a 3 year planning application should be made for the temporary uses of spaces at Queens Drive. AH reported on the extensive positive feedback that had been obtained from users of Queen's Drive Space. RECCOMMENDED that a planning application be made to extend the temporary uses on Queen's Drive Space for a 36 month period. It was noted that steps were being taken to procure event management support to deliver on Queens Drive Space and a member of staff was expected to start in January. PG asked efforts be made to avoid events competing with LED events at Exmouth Pavilion or Ocean. AH confirmed that she had met Anthony Chapman of LED and advised him that as soon as the new Event Manager is in place that they will arrange to meet again.	AH/RC
6b. Queens Drive update – Hemingway design, initial survey information and milestones going forward	RC reported on Hemingway design's initial survey information and milestones going forward. A meeting had been held with the Stakeholder Group and Hemmingway had gone back to consider this input and to undertake a design plan to deliver on Phase 3 of the sites. It was noted that the stakeholder engagement had gone well with many positive comments.	Noted
	RESOLVED that the design ideas presented to the Stakeholder Group be circulated to the Regeneration Board 'In Confidence'. SM reported that in March/April the Deaf Academy would be launching a major communications campaign and would like to talk to Hemingway Design about Deaf Friendly Design concepts. ACTION AH to put the Deaf Academy in touch with Peter Quincey at Grenadier Estates and also to include them in discussions on temporary uses for Queens Drive. Roy Pryke updated the Board on progress with the Exmouth Neighbourhood Plan and it was hoped to be able to present it to the public of Exmouth for a formal vote in February 2019.	LP AH
7. Communication update	A press release would be agreed with the communications team to announce the commencement of the road and car par work (Phase 1 of the Queen's Drive redevelopment.	Noted RC/AH

8. Any other business	RJ raised the issue of the importance of regeneration of Exmouth town centre and other sites that had been part of the original Exmouth Master Plan. RC reported that EDDC were awaiting for a New Year announcement from the Government on a multimillion pound funding scheme for town centres (Future High Streets). RC confirmed that it was important to concentrate on getting the Queens Drive scheme completed before concentrating on other development opportunities.	Noted
9. Dates of future meetings	The next meetings, to be held at the Town Hall, Exmouth, were: 29 March, 20 June, 19 September and 12 December	Noted CL/AII
	2019 all at 9.30am.	52 // W