From: David Rafferty Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 9:08 AM To: Licensing EDDC <<u>licensing@eastdevon.gov.uk</u>> Subject: Collecting for new Chit Rocks Beach Ramp in Sidmouth

Hi

Further to my phone call on Friday I am writing to give details of our community project to fundraise and provide a disability ramp in Sidmouth. The project has now been included into the larger Beach Management Scheme for Sidmouth although still have to raise the construction costs. It is fully supported by both Town and District Councils and we have 12 months to raise the funds.

We have a number of fundraising strategies lined up, one of which is to raise awareness with a rota of people from our working group who base themselves at Chit Rocks to talk with the public and explain what we are doing. We will have information to give passers by about how they can donate through our funding platform and other ways, but I'm sure there will be some who just want to contribute there and then which is why I requested a number of dates that we could have a license for collections.

I understand the restrictions on how often a group can collect and the need to be fair to all charities, but given the project is to provide a much needed facility for **all** Sidmouth residents and off course visitors as well, and is not benefitting an individual charity, I am requesting under these special circumstances that we are allowed to collect on multiple occasions. The collection will be low key and simply there alongside our information giving. It will not be the focus of the situation, but will be important to allow people who want to donate to do so.

Sidmouth Coastal Community Hub CIC are providing oversight and banking facilities for the project and I have provided a link to their website along with other information about the project below. Please let me know if you require any more details at this stage.

Best Wishes

Dave Rafferty