

Exmouth Town Council

Community Organisation Liaison Panel (COLP)

Notes of the meeting held at 9.30am on Monday 22nd July 2019
in the Chamber, Town Hall

1. Present

Councillor David Poor	DP	Exmouth Town Council (Chair)
Councillor Brian Bailey	BB	Exmouth Town Councillor
Councillor Pauline Stott	PS	Exmouth Town Councillor
Councillor Tim Dumper	TD	Exmouth Town Councillor
Geoff Skinner	GS	Exmouth Community Association
Councillor Frank Cullis	FC	Exmouth Town Council
Chetna Jones	CJ	Exmouth Town Council
Jennifer Wellington	JW	Exmouth Town Council
David Radford	DR	Exmouth Civic Society
Ian Cann	IC	Exmouth Civic Society
Rev. Simon Atkinson	SA	Churches Together
Tony Siddall	TS	Churches Together

Apologies

Noel Harrower	NH	Transition Exmouth
Councillor Aurora Bailey	AB	Exmouth Town Council
Roy Pryke	RTP	Exmouth Community Association

2. Notes

The notes of the meeting held on the 24th June 2019 were approved.

3. Matters Arising

VE Day event, 8th May 2020

The Town Clerk has been made aware of the suggestion by TS to organise a VE Day Celebration Party.

Additional COLP membership

DP was keen to increase membership for COLP in order to get a better representation of the community and confirmed he had been in contact with the Exmouth and District Allotment Association.

It was agreed that further discussion about additional membership should be discussed within the Terms of Reference (ToR) agenda item.

4. Terms of Reference (ToR)

Members provided comments on the ToR, which had been previously circulated, and it was noted that:

- The classification of COLP needed to be consistent within the ToR document as it was referred to as a committee, sub-committee, panel and forum.
- Item J to be written as a separate point as it did not relate to the other lettered points.
- As there is no longer a Lead Councillor for Regeneration this could be removed from the document.

- The wording of '1.5, 1.0 Terms' needed amending as the sentence contradicted itself, 'Meetings shall not be open to the public...appropriate to exclude the press and public...'.

A further discussion regarding COLP membership followed. It was felt that the members currently attending the meeting were not representing Exmouth as a whole, for example there were no representations from younger residents.

However, there was a concern that COLP could grow to unmanageable numbers if too many smaller organisations were attending.

Many current members are involved with multiple organisations, so it was suggested that a list be created to show which other organisations they were involved with.

Actions: All COLP members were asked to email CJ details of the organisations they were members of.

DR to email CJ information regarding a new Youth Forum that is being set-up by VOYC (Voluntary Organisations for Young people and Children).

Members agreed that COLP should revert back to being more strategic rather than focussing on the detail of individual issues.

5. Neighbourhood Plan Implementation

The Neighbourhood Plan Implementation Strategy (NPIS) will be discussed at the next Full Council meeting on the 5th August 2019 where a draft strategy will be reviewed by the Town Council.

Members were advised that Town Council meeting associated papers were available by request.

Action: IC and GS requested a copy of the draft NPIS when issued with the Town Council agenda.

6. Street Scene Update

There was no representation from Street Scene.

7. Agenda items requested by members

Beach Safety

Before the issue of beach safety was discussed, CJ reiterated information previously circulated to COLP members regarding dogs on beaches. The area between low and high tide is not covered by the Public Safety Protection Order (PSPO) currently in place. Therefore, the EDDC dog ban does not cover this area of the beach. However, as EDDC leases the foreshore from the Crown Estate there is potential to include this, as well as other proposals, in future PSPOs. The PSPO is due for renewal in 2020, subject to public consultation.

The Chair advised that information regarding the consultation will be discussed at COLP, when available. Members were encouraged to raise awareness with their organisations and comment when consultation became available.

The issue of beach safety, namely disposable BBQs heating up the sand, was discussed. It was felt that the public need to be made aware of the dangers of hot sand.

Action: CJ to contact EDDC regarding this issue.

The Belshers Slipway car park

Although there are signs stating no parking, it appears users of the slipway are ignoring them. Enforcement in this area appears to be non-existent.

Action: CJ to raise this issue with EDDC Street Scene and Environmental Health.

AOB

Tower Street Bins

Devon County Councillor Jeff Trail had made IC aware that the Neighbourhood Highway Officer will be investigating the issue of the bins at the top of Tower Street.

Action: CJ to arrange for an update.

Fire Service Public Consultation

There will be a Fire Service Public Consultation on the 23rd July between 3pm – 7pm in the Town Hall Council Chamber. Members were encouraged to attend and complete the questionnaire.

Grenadier water sports development

Work has begun on the site allocated for the water sports development.

Rethink Mental Illness

An organisation, possibly Rethink, were seeking support to provide a drop-in session in the under-used Devon County Council-owned building in Meeting Street.

Action: BB to ask the organisation to contact CJ as soon as possible should there be a need to bring this to the Town Council's attention.

Flood Defence Works

Kier will be starting work at the Sea Cadet building and working down towards the Sea Scouts hut. Plans had been to work the opposite way around but issues with asbestos were reported and needed addressing. Public access to these areas will be restricted during the works.

DR has hoped EDDC and Kier would use this opportunity to add a mains connected waterpipe to the Scout Hut. DR was advised that the Town Council, EDDC and Devon County Council all have grants available.

Action: DR to bring any updates to the next COLP meeting.

9. Dates of future meetings (Chamber Room at 9.30am unless otherwise stated):

19th August

30th September

28th October

25th November

The meeting finished at 11.25am.

Outstanding Street Scene actions:

- **Action:** SK to chase PB regarding the litter picking boards as requested by PS.
- **Action:** SK to investigate options for wooden barriers at the Imperial Recreation Ground.