

AGENDA FOR THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY 22ND MAY 2024 IN THE GUILDHALL

There are stairs to the Council Chamber but if any member of the public has mobility issues the Council can relocate to the lower Guildhall.

You are hereby **SUMMONED** to attend the **Planning Committee** on **Wednesday 22nd May 2024** at **6.30pm** for a maximum of 90 minutes in the Guildhall for the purpose of transacting the following business:

Committee Members: Councillors T Bennett (Chair), L Auletta, S Collinson, T Cooper, J Cummings, J Hodgson and L Smallridge.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

The Chair will read out the following statement: Welcome to everyone attending and observing the meeting.

A reminder that open proceedings of this meeting will be video recorded. If members of the public make presentations, they will be deemed to have consented to being recorded. By entering the Council Chamber attendees are also consenting to being recorded.

This meeting is limited to 90 minutes and therefore members are asked to raise their points succinctly and not repeat the same view expressed by colleagues if it does not add to the debate.

To receive apologies and to confirm that any absence has the approval of the Council.

The Committee will adjourn for the following items:

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A period of 15 minutes will be allowed for members of the public to ask questions or make comment regarding the work of the Committee or other items that affect Totnes.

The Committee will convene to consider the following items:

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

To approve the minutes of 22nd April 2024 and update on any matters arising. Document attached.

3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To make recommendations on the following planning applications:

3a. 0674/24/FUL - Construction of four new family dwellings with car parking, rear gardens, bin storage & landscaping. Land at SX 809 599, Parkers Way, Totnes. See https://southhams.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/0674/24/FUL

3b. 1447/24/HHO - Householder application for proposed single storey rear extension. Half Moon House, Leechwell Street, Totnes, TQ9 5SU. See https://southhams.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/1447/24/HHO

3c. 0672/24/HHO - Householder application for alterations to existing dwelling including small single storey extensions, attic conversion, garage conversion to provide annexe, new dormer window to rear & PV panels. 6 Dartside, Totnes, TQ9 5HL. See https://southhams.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/0672/24/HHO

3d. 1167/24/HHO - Householder application for the formation of hardstanding to create car parking area to front of property. 52 Pathfields, Totnes, TQ9 5TZ. See https://southhams.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/1167/24/HHO

3e. 1268/24/HHO - Householder application for 2 x Juliet balconies to North elevation, replacement doors & windows South & West elevation. Bogan Stable, North Street, Totnes, TQ9 5NZ. See https://southhams.planning-register.co.uk/Planning/Display/1268/24/HHO

4. PAVEMENT LICENSES

To consider the following temporary pavement licence applications (documents attached):

- a. Stacked, 30 Fore Street, Totnes (renewal of existing licence).
- b. The Angel Bar and Kitchen, 50 High Street, Totnes.

5. RESIDENTS PARKING ZONE ORDER

To consider the Devon County Council proposal to introduce residents parking at any time on specified lengths of Swallowfields, Dartside and Riverside. Documents attached.

6. TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT FORUM

To note the minutes from the Traffic and Transport Forum and Steering Group both held on 24th April 2024, including the recommendation under item 2 of the Steering Group (updated Appendix B) and make a recommendation to Full Council. Documents attached.

7. PAVEMENT REPAIR ON THE PLAINS

To consider the replacement paving stones on The Plains (outside of Waterside Bistro) and make any recommendation to Full Council on whether to approach Devon Highways enforcement about the material used. Verbal update.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note the date of the next meeting of the Planning Committee – Monday 17th June 2024 at 6.30pm in the Guildhall.

S Halliday Governance and Project Manager 17th May 2024

USE OF SOUND RECORDINGS AT COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

MONDAY 22ND APRIL 2024 IN THE GUILDHALL

Present: Councillors T Bennett (Chair), L Auletta, J Cummings, J Hodgson.

Apologies: Cllrs S Collinson, T Cooper and L Smallridge.

In Attendance: Cllr Beavis, S Halliday (Governance and Projects Manager).

WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies and to confirm that any absence has the approval of the Council. Cllr Bennett read out a statement about how the meeting would be conducted and recorded.

The apologies were accepted.

The Committee will adjourn Standing Orders for the following items:

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public.

The Committee reconvened Standing Orders.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

To approve the minutes of 18th March 2024 and update on any matters arising.

The minutes were approved as an accurate record of proceedings. There were no matters arising.

3. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY

To:

a. Make a recommendation to Full Council for the Chair of the Planning Committee for 2024/25 (effective May 2024); and

To RECOMMEND to Full Council that Cllr Bennett is appointed Chair of the Planning Committee.

b. Elect a deputy chair for the Committee (from May 2024).

It was AGREED to appoint Cllr Auletta as Deputy Chair from May 2024.

4. TREE WORKS APPLICATIONS

4a. 0859/24/TCA-T1: Common Holly - remove. 26 Fore Street, Totnes, TQ9 5DX. A decision notice was received on 22^{nd} April for this application. However, the Committee would request that a replacement tree is planted in a suitable location.

4b. 1241/24/TPO - T1: Monterey Cypress - remove, limb failure onto road. Totnes Magistrates Court, Ashburton Road, Totnes, TQ9 5JY.

Comment – the Committee would welcome the Tree Officer's comments on this application and would suggest that the limbs at risk are removed and that the condition of the tree is assessed on an annual basis.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To make recommendations on the following planning applications:

Note: Cllr Hodgson observes and does not vote on any applications which would potentially be discussed at a Development Management Committee meeting at SHDC.

5a. 0974/24/FUL - Proposed construction of a single dwelling & associated parking (resubmission of 3417/23/FUL). Land at SX 796 606, Collapark, Totnes.

Support. However, the Committee has concerns about the design not including any guttering and the impact of rainwater runoff on the property and the neighbouring properties.

5b. 0621/24/FUL - Creation of a new 1 bedroom, 2 storey terraced dwelling by subdividing the existing house and garden and adding a single storey extension to the south (re-submission of 4115/23/FUL). 29 Pathfields, Totnes, TQ9 5TZ.

Comment – the Committee has concerns that the first floor space is included in the habitable space calculation but that the head height makes its function uninhabitable. The Committee would repeat the comment that it made in January 2024 on application 4115/23/FUL that it would like to see a condition that the new dwelling is used as long-term housing rather than as a holiday accommodation business.

5c. 0645/24/OPA — Outline Planning application with some matters reserved for a single two storey dwelling within curtilage of Spring House. Spring House, Dartington, TQ9 6EU. Consulted as neighbouring parish.

Cllr Hodgson declared a personal interest.

Comment – in principle the Committee does not object to the site being developed for an additional dwelling but it has concerns about the quantum size of the dwelling proposed.

5d. 4268/23/FUL – Erection of prefabricated 'pop-up' takeaway café. Car Park Longmarsh, Steamer Quay Road, Totnes, TQ9 5AL. Consulted as neighbouring parish.

Object. Inadequate information is provided in the application with regards to the following:

- Waste Management no plan provided detailing the disposal of packaging/cup[generated through sales and in food/drink preparation, localised litter picking and or how waste water will be appropriately disposed.
- Water Provision where will this come from and how will it be stored?
- Power Generation the Council objects to any noise or fumes generated from a generator adjacent to a natural space.
- Design Quality of the building this is inadequate given the location as the river gateway to the town and adjacent to a green space.
- Pedestrian Safety no mention of measures to ensure that vehicles manoeuvring in the car park will not hit queuing customers or the opening flap of the building.
- Sanitary Provision the lack of toilet facilities at Longmarsh already causes problems in the vicinity. Portaloos should be considered.



5e. 1004/24/HHO – Householder application for a first floor extension & conversion of garage into habitable accommodation (resubmission of 3987/23/HHO). Oak Tree Cottage, Weirfields, Totnes, TQ9 5JS.

Comment – the Committee's comment on application 3987/23/HHO from January 2024 still stand, namely that it doesn't object in principle but the Committee has concerns about the flat roof over the former garage and how this fits visually with the existing pitched roof of the house.

5f. 0736/24/HHO - Householder Application for extensions & alterations to existing dwelling. Windrush, Kingsbridge Hill, Totnes, TQ9 5TA.

Cllr Bennett declared a personal interest. Object - It was **AGREED** to circulate the final text to all Cllrs for additional comments before submitting a response.:

Object

Site Context - Windrush is located at the edge of the designated NP Settlement Boundary, being the final house at the top of Kingsbridge Hill lane. It provides a visual foreground to the well-utilised adjacent accessible public viewing point from where Dartmoor can be seen on the horizon, with Totnes' historic town centre in the valley below.

The existing house is tucked into the hillside, appearing as a modest bungalow from the road, with a roof ridge height which is slightly lower than its immediate neighbour. Its form is therefore recessive in both near and far views, with its shallow gable ended roof blending into its context. Whilst shapes of roofs along Kingsbridge Hill differ, a shared characteristic to all is a shallow pitch, responding contextually to the Grade II Listed early 19C villa Highfield (Summercourt) half way up the lane.

The site is also visible from various points along Fishchowter's Lane, an important ancient greenway (designated PRoW) on the other side of the undeveloped valley to Kingsbridge Hill. The views from Fishchowter's Lane are characterised by natural landscape features, with built forms being recessive and not breaking the brow of the hill visually. This path provides walks for residents in a town which is acknowledged to be deficient in public open space.

It is critical that any proposal for the site occupied by Windrush respects this highly sensitive context.

The Committee has the following comments:

- The proposed additional upper floor is not sympathetic to, or in keeping with, the natural landscape and neighbouring properties (which have shallow pitched roofs) in such a prominent and visible location. It will be seen driving into Totnes from the Dartmouth direction, and from local green spaces and footpaths, for example the adjacent public viewing point and Fishchowters Lane. The DAS notes that the design is 'defensive' to the North and West, resulting in elevations which provide nothing positive to the street scene, thus detracting further from the views.
- A flat roof design is not appropriate for the location, and is not a characteristic building form seen in this area of Totnes. The Committee supports the planning officer's pre-application advice.
- Size of the windows and the impact on light pollution and solar glare in the undeveloped natural valley.

We consider that the proposal is not in conformity with the following TNP policies:

- V1a. Local Identity respecting local distinctiveness and historic character in land use.
- EN1c. Scale and character to be in keeping with the site and surroundings.
- EN1d. Maintaining or enhancing local identity and distinctiveness.
- EN2c. Development and Design: be in scale and keeping with its site and setting, protecting the local landscape and important views.

4.4.1 Landscape Setting of Totnes: "The high quality undeveloped landscape around Totnes frames the town as it nestles in the surrounding hills... This is particularly important at key 'gateway' site to the town - for example views descending Kingsbridge Hill."

EN4. 2. New building should not be of a height or mass to obscure important views... nor of a height to break the historic skyline

(the height and volumetric mass of the upper floor will result in its profile breaking the top of the hill when observed from various angles – photographs provided).

We noted that EN3.2. Historic and Built Character the NP states that "good innovative design offering a fresh interpretation of local distinctiveness will be welcomed". This Policy provides the opportunity for a revised design to be submitted with a diminished volume visible from the road, and utilising a shallow roof pitch to create a different form that is both contextual and less prominent.

5g. 0730/24/HHO and 0731/24/LBC ÷ Householder application and Listed Building Consent for internal reconfigurations, new access from side path, thermal upgrade to rear elevation with changes to fenestration and replacement windows to principal elevation. 8 Bridgetown, Totnes, TQ9 5AB.

Comment - the Committee supports the creating of an entrance in the external wall. However, the Committee has concerns on the proposed removal of internal walls which could be original and would welcome the Conservation Officer's views.

6. CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL AND MANAGEMENT PLAN CONSULTATION consider the Totnes Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan ahead of an upcoming South Hams District Council consultation and make a recommendation to Full Council [consultation date to be confirmed].

Cllr Hodgson gave an update that the planned consultation. The Committee **AGREED** that collating more detailed information for the proposed conservation area extensions to strengthen the case for inclusion would be useful.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note the date of the next meeting of the Planning Committee – Wednesday 22nd May 2024 at 6.30pm in the Guildhall.

Noted. The Committee noted the change of day due to lack of non-Bank Holiday Mondays in May.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Sara Halliday Governance and Projects Manager April 2024

Temporary Pavement Licence Application



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Pavement Licence declaration

Data Privacy Notice Accepted

Yes

Time and Location Details

Name of the business

Stacked (back for seconds)

Describe the location of the street furniture relative to the business

To the left corner of the shop and up bank lane

Time furniture will be put out

08:00

Time furniture will be taken in

18:00

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5	\$	\$	\$	ə	\$	♦
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

Street Furniture Details

How many tables?

4

How many chairs?

8

Do you intend to use barriers?

No

Do you intend to use other furniture such as a counter, bar or serving area?

No

Uploaded Documents

Site plan showing the proposed area of the cafe

Yes

Pictures of proposed furniture

Yes

A clear layout diagram showing the exact positions of the tables and chairs

A copy of your public liability insurance certificate

yes	
Description ♦	File ≎
Table location	寬 shop plan 2.pdf
Certificate	圖 3531901D-C8CF-4E15-B9BE-66813A1906FE.png
Chairs	图 D54A00C5-ACE2-4475-811A-BCFBD025B8BD.png
Street plan	图 Shop plan 1.pdf

Contact Details

Title

Mrs

First Name

Amber

Last Name

Legendre

Relationship to organisation

Owner

Preferred Contact Number

07717079357

Alternative Contact Number

07825841415

Email addréss

Stacked.totnes@yahoo.com

Address Details

Address

Enoceans Estate Ltd, 30 Fore Street, Totnes, TQ9 5RP

Is the business address the correspondence address?

Yes

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Pavement Licence declaration

Data Privacy Notice Accepted

Yes

Time and Location Details

Name of the business

The Angel Bar and Kitchen

Describe the location of the street furniture relative to the business

on the pavement outside the front of the business

Time furniture will be put out

10.00

Time furniture will be taken in

23:00

Monday ⊕	\$	0	Thursday 0	Friday #	Saturday \$	Sunday
Yes	Yes	· Yes ·	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Street Furniture Details

How many tables?

5

How many chairs?

10

Do you intend to use barriers?

No

Do you intend to use other furniture such as a counter, bar or serving area?

No

Uploaded Documents

Site plan showing the proposed area of the cafe

Yes

Pictures of proposed furniture

Yes

A clear layout diagram showing the exact positions of the tables and chairs

A copy of your public liability insurance certificate

File ♦
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Contact Details

Title

Ms

First Name

Claire

Last Name

Callender

Relationship to organisation

Owner

Preferred Contact Number

07737848509

Alternative Contact Number '

07859832860

Email address

hello@theangeltotnes.com

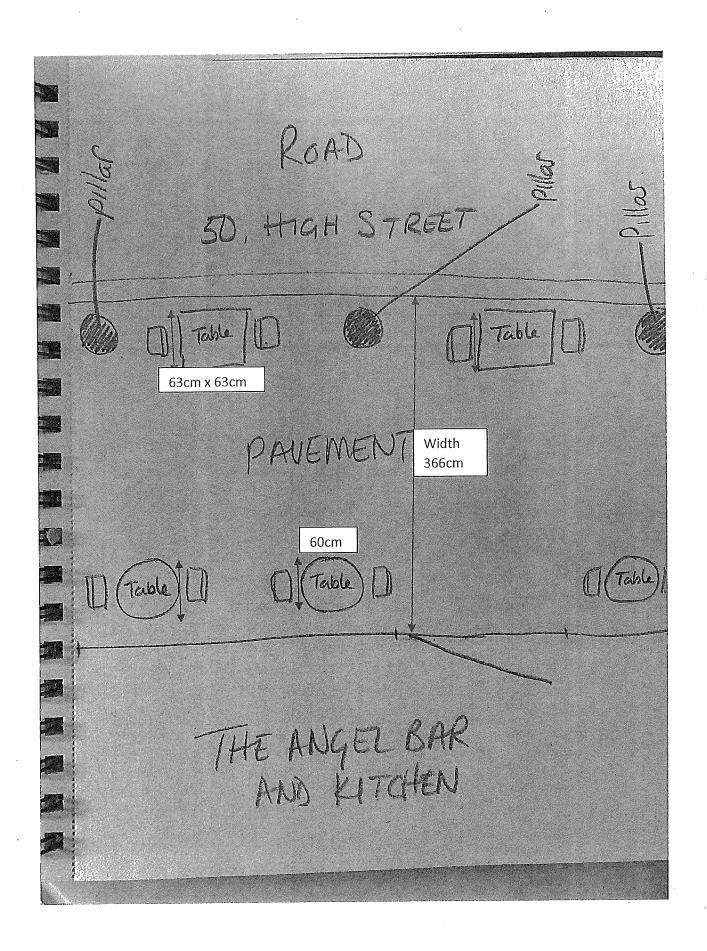
Address Details

Address

Tangerine Tree Cafe, 50 High Street, Totnes, TQ9 5SQ

Is the business address the correspondence address?

Yes



ITOM 5

Devon County Council (Various Roads, Totnes) (Residents Parking Zone) Order

Devon County Council propose to make this under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 to introduce in Totnes

Residents Parking (Zonal) At Any Time Zone E (Totnes) on specified lengths of Swallowfields, Dartside and Riverside; Disabled Badge Holders Only At Any Time on specified lengths of Swallowfields;

Where appropriate there will be the usual exemptions including those in relation to picking up/setting down passengers, loading/unloading goods and disabled persons vehicles.

Residents, charity business occupier, supported living, school business, motorcycle, scooter and other vehicles band A permits (less than 100g/km) £35 annually, other vehicles bands B–K (101-225g/km) 1st permit £35, 2nd permit £55, 3rd permit £65; bands L-M (226+ g/km) 1st permit £35, 2nd permit £65, extra permits £65; virtual visitor permits £30 per issue (200 hours for schemes not operating at all times/350 hours for schemes operating at all times - allocated in 1 hour sessions), physical daily visitor permits £30 per issue of 30 permits, business permits annual cost: 1st permit £35, 2nd permit £75, 3rd permit £150; annual trade permit £45, short stay trade permits £60 per book of 20, daily trade permit £5, weekly trade permit £25; essential visitor permits £10 annually, care worker permits are free; guest house/hotel permits £30 per issue of 20 (24 hour) permits.

Draft order, order being amended, plan and statement of reasons may be seen at https://devon.cc/totnesparking from 16th May 2024. Free bookable computer use is available during the opening hours of Devon Libraries. Documents are also available to view during normal office hours at the address below.

Objections and other comments specifying the proposal and the grounds on which they are made must be in writing to the address below or via https://devon.cc/totnesparking to arrive by 7th June 2024. Receipt of submissions may not be acknowledged but those received will be considered. If you make a submission, be aware that comments will be anonymised prior to being sent to Highways & Traffic Orders Committee (HATOC) members for consideration or being published on our website. Your data may be shared within the Council and with our partner agencies. Personal details will be kept confidential in line with the Privacy Notice at https://devon.cc/troprivacy and will only be shared in accordance with the terms of that Notice or to comply with our legal obligations.

16th May 2024 reference MK/DEV001/836| website reference 6176 Director of Legal & Democratic Services, County Hall, Topsham Road, Exeter EX2 4QD

Statement of Reasons

The proposal aims to introduce residents parking scheme that has been agreed for advertising to improve access and to improve parking options for local residents, as informed by the previous consultation.

Specifically, the restrictions are proposed to avoid danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising, will facilitate the passage on the road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians) and will preserve or improve the amenities of the area which the road runs through.

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Devon County Council (Various Roads, Totnes) (Residents Parking Zone) Order

Devon County Council make the following order under sections 32, 35, 45, 46, 49, 53, part IV of schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers

- This order comes into force and may be cited as "Devon County Council (Various Roads, Totnes) (Residents Parking Zone) Order"
- 2 The schedules below are added to Devon County Council (Traffic Regulation & On-Street Parking Places) Consolidation Order 2020 as amended
- 3 The following zone is added to appendix A of Devon County Council (Traffic Regulation & On-Street Parking Places) Consolidation Order 2020 as amended

location	zone	eligible properties (Eligible properties (all properties in road eligible unless specified in brackets)	permit types** available for eligible vehicles at qualifying addresses (see article 59)	additional permit types** which may be used in connection with works or services
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
Totnes	E	Swallowfields Dartside Riverside	R, Va, B, E, H	AT, ST, DT, WT, CW

Schedule No

6.101 Residents Parking (Zonal) At Any Time Zone E (Totnes)

Dartside, Totnes

(i) both sides for its entire length.

Riverside, Totnes

(i) both sides for its entire length.

Swallowfields, (Leading to Riverside & Dartside), Totnes

(i) both sides from a point 16 metres east of its junction with Ashburton Road for its entire length.

Swallowfields (Nos. 40-55), Totnes

(i) both sides from its junction with Dartington Lane for its entire length.

Schedule No

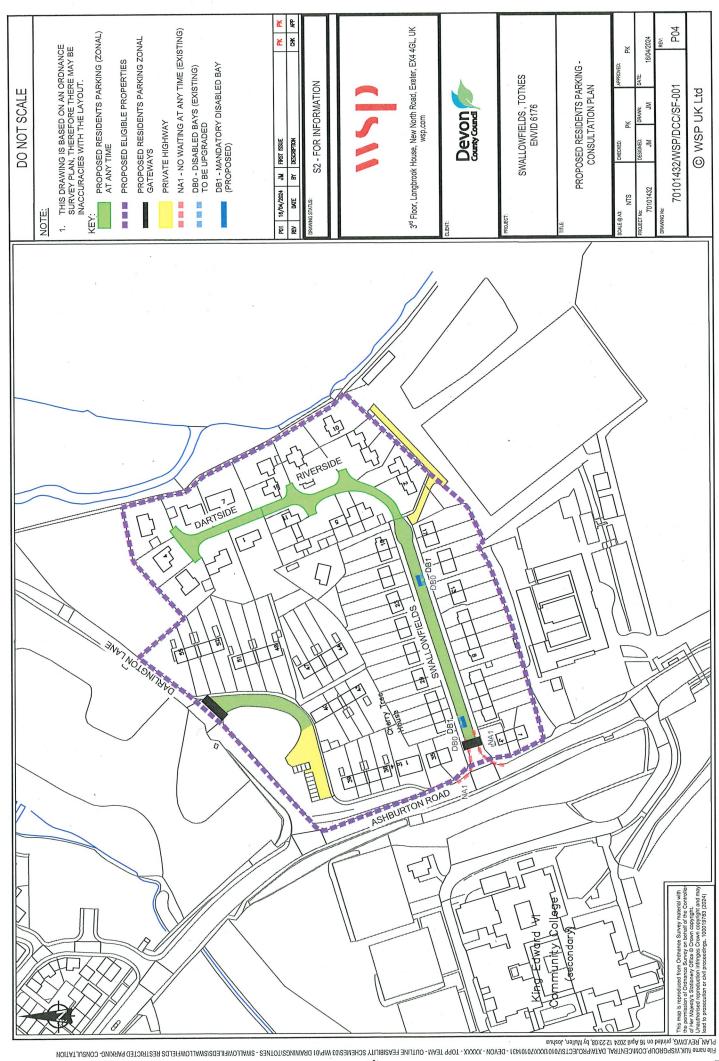
7.001 Disabled Badge Holders Only At Any Time

Swallowfields, (Leading to Riverside & Dartside), Totnes

- (i) The north side from the western property boundary of No. 33 Swallowfields for a distance of 6.6 metres in an easterly direction
- (ii) The south side from the western property boundary of No. 14 Swallowfields for a distance of 6.6 metres in an easterly direction

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Report to Planning Committee, May 2024 from Graham Bennett Approval of updated Appendix B for recommendation to the Planning Committee

Recommendation:

That, at its May meeting, the Planning Committee approves the ATTACHED updated Appendix B for the Traffic, Transport and Pedestrian Policy, (as recommended by the Traffic & Transport Steering Committee on 24 April 2024).

Background:

Appendix B of the Traffic, Transport and Pedestrian Policy is a 'live' document and the subject of updating, in order to better reflect identified needs, and support consideration of future Planning Applications.

It is essential that the Planning Committee can work with the best and most up-to-date information possible.

This revised version builds on previous work, and now includes Greenways (as submitted with the Open Spaces, Sports, Recreation, and Wellbeing Review in February 2024) together with items from, and references to, the Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) process for consultation shortly.

The format and content has been the subject of TTC Officer advice, and we consider that the Appendix is now able to:

- Schedule a range of issues at a high level of generality, showing interrelationships between issues with each being available for consideration; and
- Avoiding prescriptive detail which could obscure the bigger picture, and risk becoming out of date.

Please note, as previously:

- The order of listing does not imply any priority, and
- All are subject to availability of resources and/or funding.

Appendix B of the Traffic, Transport and Pedestrian Policy

24 April 2024

Introduction

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This revised version builds on previous work, and now includes Greenways (as submitted with the Open Spaces, Sports, Recreation, and Wellbeing - OSSR - Review in February 2024) together with items from, and references to, the Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) process for consultation in April 2024.

As previously:

- The order of listing does not imply any priority, and
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<u>Sections 4 & 6</u> include proposals to minimise the impact of rush hour traffic cutting through town and increasingly causing severance and safety issues. The impact is set to grow further, because of:

- The continuing and planned growth of Torbay (with its population the size of Exeter in the winter, and nearly as big as Plymouth in the summer), plus the planned development of Plymouth Freeport; generating traffic between the Torbay and Plymouth via Totnes; and
- SatNavs which increasingly direct traffic way from main roads in the search for cut-throughs.

	Where?	What?	Why?
Ref	Site / location / facility	Project description	Evidence of need & community support
1. Re	esearch / assessment		
1.a	Totnes as a whole	Walking & Wheeling Safety Audit, including giving access to bus routes (eg for Bridgetown)	See OSSR para 2 footnote. Key Actions 8.4, 8.5 LCWIP data.
1.b	Totnes & District	Expert consultant's assessment of traffic issues and options towards a 10yr strategy, including reference to Hotspots & LCWIP work	Key Actions 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.10, 8.11 Hotspots map LCWIP data
2. P	nysical Measures to sup	port Walking & Cycling	
		ssion for OSSR Review, Feb 2024	
2.a	Totnes: New footpath between Harpers Hill and Follaton Arboretum	Existing permissive Field entry at Colwell Community Orchard SX7972 6021, cross Broomborough Drive and then fields to SX7893 6041	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 Avoids busy Plymouth Road
2.b	Totnes: A381 between Gerston Cross and Ashprington turn	Reduce speed limit from 60mph to 40 mph to reduce risk to those coming from Jackman's Lane or Harpers Hill via Green Lane to Bowden Pillars and on to Fishchowter's lane	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 Improves safety at the Gerston Cross road crossing
2.c	Totnes: Harpers Hill - Totnes bridleway 7 (onwards to Plymouth)	Improve surface to enable access for less able walkers and cyclists from SX7981 6021 to SX7922 5967	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 LCWIP ref TN-1-P5 Provides a safer route to Harberton for cyclists
2.d	Totnes & Dartington: New footpath between Smithfield and Lower Copland La.	Improve the existing path under the railway line and on to Mill stream. A new bridge is also required over the stream. The current path to Copland Lane has a good surface	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 Improves access to green space and provides new route from Follaton towards station

	Where?	What?	Why?
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2.e	Totnes & Ashprington: Improvements to the round trip route to Ashprington via NCR and footpath 2/8 (onwards to Dartmouth)	A – NCR. Replace poor surface near Ashprington and convert gates to cattle grids to avoid the need for cyclists to dismount B – Ashprington footpath 8, replace stiles with gaps or gates C – Convert the permissive path to a PROW between Footpath 8 and the	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 Makes it easier to cycle and walk to Ashprington and back by separate footpaths and cycle routes
		drive to Sharpham House (SX8196 5813 to SX8214 5757 via SX8248 5788)	
2.f	Totnes & Littlehempston: Create a new bridle- way to Littlehempston using the SDR bridge (onwards to	Secure access to the SDR bridge. Create a new path from SX8033 6114 to the bend in the private road at SX8026 6151 and then along the private road towards Gratton's Farm at SX8086 6238	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 LCWIP ref SH-9-L2, L3, L4 There is currently no direct, off road route from Totnes to Littlehempston and on to Newton Abbot
	Newton Abbot)	See footpaths 6 and 7	
2.g	Totnes & Berry Pomeroy: Improve the surface of the path from Bourton to Littlehempston	Improve the surface of UUCR305 from SX8109 6099 towards Coombe Park, taking the left fork at SX8174 6180 and on to A381	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 Provides a cycle route from Totnes to Littlehempston
2.h	Dartington: Create a new bridleway through the Dartington Estate See also 3.c for continuation to Staverton, Riverford, Buckfastleigh	The proposed route, based on historic evidence is from the gates at SX7989 6147, along Park Road and Warren Avenue then a track to SX7939 6345, a path to SX7910 6361 and a track to the road at SX7848 6356	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 LCWIP ref SH-8-L1, L2 This route is regularly used, but is not a PROW. Potential new cycle route to Buckfastleigh
2.i	Dartington: Create a new footpath along the river Dart within the Dartington Estate	The river path currently exists between SX7999 6191 and SX7941 6344. These 2 points link with the above project 2.h	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 LCWIP ref SH-8-L1, L2 This scenic route is regularly used, but is not a PROW
2.j	Berry Pomeroy: Improve the current track from Bridgetown to Aish	Improve the surface of UUCR307, perhaps by creating a new zig zag path down from Bridgetown to Fleet Mill and then up to Aish	OSSR Greenways. Key Action 8.4 LCWIP ref SH-6-L2, SH-6-P1, P2, SH-6-A1 Provides a cycle route from Totnes to
	(onwards to Stoke Gabriel and Paignton)	See footpath 10 a to 2.j), it is recommended to survey the stree	Stoke Gabriel and on to Torbay

In addition to these 10 projects (2.a to 2.j), it is recommended to survey the streets of the town to identify and list where access can be improved by: dropping kerbs, creating slopes to bypass steps; putting pedestrian islands in the middle of busy roads; and removing obstacles for cyclists and those with pushchairs (such as bars across paths). The aim would be to prioritise and action the lists.

See also 1.a and 1.b

3. P	nysical Measures to sup	port Cycling	
3.a	Totnes	Improve bike parking – racks, covers, lockers - see layer on Hotspots map.	Key Actions 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6
3.b	Totnes: Coronation Rd and by Seven Stars	Painted cycle lanes: resurface cycle lane in bright tarmac, replace faded road markings. Widen lanes and extend from Plains to Morrisons petrol station. See also 4.i	Hotspots map
3.c	Totnes, Dartington, Staverton, Riverford Buckfastleigh	Sustrans feasibility study, phase 1 across Dartington Estate as 2.h. See footpath 8	OSSR Greenway 2.h. Key Action 8.4 LCWIP ref SH-8-L1, L2

	Where?	What?	Why?
Ref	Site / location / facility	Project description	Evidence of need & community
4. Pt	l nysical Measures to sup	 port Traffic Management	support
4.a	Totnes: The Lamb	Pedestrian Crossing	Key Actions 8.4, 8.5 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-1-P4, TN-3-L1; TN-3-P1
4.b	Totnes & Berry Pomeroy: Top of Bridgetown	Pedestrian Crossing	Key Actions 8.4, 8.5 Access to/from bus stop on route to Paignton and from Plymouth.
4.c	Totnes: Kingsbridge Hill & Western Bypass	End through-traffic by means of low-cost change of road layout. Move 40mph sign from near top of hill below Windrush, to T-junction with Western Bypass at top of hill.	Key Actions 8.4, 8.5 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-1-P5 Kingsbridge Hill Area Residents Assoc (contact KHARA for detailed proposal.)
4.d	Totnes: Plymouth Rd / Follaton	Illuminated signs at Follaton Gate & west of Punchard's Down, 30mph signs, replace speed camera, 20mph limit to narrow section of road.	Key Actions 8.4, 8.5, 8.11 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-4-L1, L2, TN-4-P1, P2, P3
4.e	Totnes: St Katherine's Way / Heath Way / The Lamb - route	Proposal needed to address high volume and speed of traffic, reducing potential for active travel, especially for children	Key Actions 8.4, 8.5, 8.10, 8.11 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-1-P4, TN-3-L1, TN-3-P1, P2, P3, P4
4.f	Totnes: Redworth Junction	Junction improvements to aid traffic flows and reduce cut-through traffic elsewhere	Key Action 8.10 Hotspots map
4.g	Totnes: Train Station – Under Station Road bridge to Castle St and/or extend to Lower Collins Rd?	Underpass for Pedestrians & Cyclists. See also 4.j	Key Action 8.4, 8.5 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-2-L1, L4, TN-2-P1, P2, P3, P4, P5
4.h	Totnes: Western Bypass at Cistern St for Harper's Hill	Pedestrian Crossing / traffic island refuge	Key Action 8.5 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-1-P5
4.i	Totnes : Seven Stars & The Plains	Roundabout so natural crossing points match dropped kerbs. See also 3.b	Key Actions 8.4, 8.5 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-1-P3, TN-3-L2
4.j	Totnes: Castle St (Route from Station to High St)	Remedy safety hazard to first floor oriel window. See also 4.g	Key Actions 8.4, 8.5 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-2-L1, L4, TN-2-P1, P2, P3, P4, P5
4.k	Totnes: St John's School Bridgetown	Traffic Management	Key Actions 8.4, 8.5 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-5-P2. See also TN-5-L2, TN-5-P1
4.1	Totnes & District	Vehicle Activated Signs	Key Actions 8.11 Hotspots map LCWIP N/A
4.m	Totnes: 'Old' Bridge	Traffic Management	Key Actions 8.10 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-1-L1, TN-1-P1, P2
4.n	Totnes: High St, incl Fore St and The Narrows	Traffic Management	Key Actions 8.4, 8.5, 8.10, 8.11 Hotspots map LCWIP ref TN-1-L2

	Where?	What?	Why? *	
Ref	Site / location / facility	Project description	Evidence of need & community support	
5. Ph	5. Physical Measures to support Sustainable Travel			
5.a	Totnes	Electric Vehicle Charging Points to address issues in Totnes	Key Action 8.13	
5.b	Totnes	Transport Hub	Key Action 8.9	
6. Pa	rtnership & Promotiona	l Work		
6.a	Totnes & District	Engagement to develop a Partnership approach with neighbouring Parishes, SHDC, DCC, Peninsula Transport etc	Key Action 8.2 Joined up thinking Best use of resources	
6.b	Totnes	Establish partnership for E-bikes, incl safe conversions	Key Actions 8.3, 8.4	
6.c	Totnes & District	Support Community Transport: Bob the Bus	Key Action 8.7	
6.d	Totnes	Support & Collaborate with Totnes Bike Hub	Key Action 8.4	
6.e	Totnes & District	Support 20's Plenty Campaign	See OSSR para 2 footnote Key Actions 8.4, 8.5 Hotspots map LCWIP data	
6.f	Totnes	Air Quality Monitoring	Key Action 8.3 Hotspots map LCWIP data	
6.g	Totnes & District	Support local schools and organisations to develop Green Travel Plans	Key Action 8.14 Hotspots map LCWIP data	
6.h	Totnes as a whole	Hotspots map - Expand map, share widely to ensure range of views so problematic areas not ignored.	Key Action 8.2, 8.15 Hotspots map LCWIP data	
6.i	Totnes	Accessible Totnes Guide using results from 1.a	Key Action 8.2, 8.5, 8.15 Hotspots map LCWIP data	

Totnes & District Traffic & Transport Forum

Meeting Notes

1. Introductions

Those Present: Graham Bennett (chair) Cllrs Auletta, Presswell, Hodgson, Cummings, Beavis, Cooper and Roberts; plus PW, VC, AF, VW, SG, RB and GE

Apologies: JF, TB, TP, GE-D **Note keeping:** Lisa Baumback

GB explained that the last Forum meeting was our AGM. Their Minutes are on the TTC website and will be for the next AGM's approval. Key matters arising will be taken onto the Steering Group.

2. Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIP)

South Hams District Council (SHDC) has been working with a team of consultants to support Active Travel by creating a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) for the area. Whilst this is still in the early stages, there will be some money available at some point in the future to put some of the interventions in place in order to improve active travel in the area.

A consultation event had been planned for Totnes the day before (23 April) but this had been postponed. In readiness for the consultation event (date to be advised), the interactive map which identifies the barriers to active travel in the South Hams and the interventions that could be put in place to overcome these barriers, was shared and an explanation of how it works was given. The map can be found here: https://pjassoc.maps.arcgis.com/apps/mapviewer/index.html?webmap=d4ff52636eb743b7a49e5ef1b722bc05

It was noted that some information was incorrect. This is due to the work being carried out by independent consultants who lack some local knowledge. However, they have a good understanding of the types of interventions that work in other areas. When the consultation is launched, it will be important for everyone to comment on the areas of the map that are most important to their community and/or interest.

Action:

Members are encouraged comment on the consultation when it opens and show support for LCWIP proposals in general to ensure that funding is allocated to the town. Members are asked to focus on the areas on the map that are most pertinent to them. Points to consider are:

- Are there any 'Barriers' and 'Interventions' missing from the consultants' analysis?
- Are there any 'Interventions' shown that would not be wanted?
- Could any of the 'Interventions' be adjusted to make them more effective?

3. Receipt of any community matters

3.1 The New Dart Valley Cycle Trail

A family day has been planned to either walk or cycle the proposed new route for The New Dart Valley Cycle Trail on Sunday 30 June 2024. Meet at Dartington Deer Park Car Park at 10am and finish at approximately 1:30pm.

Please see copy of John Forte's report is ATTACHED.

Contact johnforte@btinternet.com for further information.

3.2 Reports from Councillor Hodgson

Potholes: Many of these are occurring because the understory of the road is collapsing so the potholes get filled then quickly break again.

Pathfields Near Totnes St John's Primary School – This has been noted as a dangerous area to cross in the past which is why it is good to see the Zebra crossing near the school identified as an intervention on the LCWIP interactive map. Cllr Hodgson met with a road safety team there on Monday this week but it was particularly quiet. This is why it's important for people to comment when the LCWIP consultation opens.

Castle Street — There was a meeting earlier this week to discuss how to resolve the issue with wide vehicles driving up Castle Street and colliding with the bay window of one of the buildings. This has happened on more than one occasion. It was identified that a sign further down the hill had the wrong width on it. Also, the bollard outside the house is quite short. As a first intervention, Totnes Town Council are going to provide one of the old, tall, cast-iron finger posts from the town to Devon County Council who will install it in place of the current shorter bollard which should hopefully deter lorries from trying to squeeze through. Additionally, the sign will be replaced to display the correct maximum width of the road. Further interventions may need to take place if these are unsuccessful.

4. Date of next meeting Wednesday 31 July 2024 6.30 to 7.10pm

Please get in touch if you have a topic you think should be the focus for the next Forum meeting.



THE NEW DART VALLEY CYCLE TRAIL

Family day walk or cycle of the proposed route
Sunday 30th June 2024

Under the auspices of Sustainable Staverton (a group incorporated by Staverton Parish Council), we plan to introduce the wider community to this exciting new initiative to create a safe active travel route for walkers and cyclists between Totnes and Buckfastleigh via the Dartington Estate and Staverton.

The proposed trail has two phases. Phase One covers the route from Totnes to Riverford Field Kitchen. Phase Two covers the route from the Field Kitchen to Buckfastleigh.

PLAN FOR THE DAY

Meet in the Deer Park carpark at the end of Warren Lane in Dartington estate at 10am on Sunday 30th June. After a brief introduction, walkers and cyclists will proceed through North Woods to Staverton Mill via Staverton Bridge, aiming to arrive by 11am where refreshments will be provided by Sustainable Staverton. We will make a presentation of the proposed route, after which attendees may either return to Dartington or continue the journey via quiet lanes to Riverford Field Kitchen.

From Staverton Mill, we'll make our way on quiet lanes along the proposed route to the Field Kitchen. At this point, cyclists may cycle on to Buckfastleigh before turning around and returning to the Field Kitchen to meet up with the walkers again. We hope to have a designated area set aside for people to eat their own packed lunches along with a free raffle to encourage people making the journey. It is estimated the event will end at approximately 1.30pm at The Field Kitchen.

The event will have stewards along the route to guide and keep people safe. However, it should be noted that on emerging from North Woods, we will be on narrow roads and extra care is needed, particularly for those with young children. It should also be noted that the paths through North Woods are very uneven and so those with mobility issues may find this part of the route difficult to negotiate.

Contact johnforte@btinternet.com for further information

Totnes & District Traffic & Transport Steering Group 24 April 2024 7.15-8pm Guildhall, Totnes

Notes

Present:	Graham Bennett (Chair) Anna Presswell (Deputy Chair) Nick Roberts	(GB) (AP) (HC) (GE) (NR) (RM) (SG)	Luisa Auletta (Deputy Chair) John Cummings Sarah Collinson (from 7.30pm)	(LA) (AF) (PW) (VC) (JC) (VM) (SC)
Apologies:	Tim Bennett	(TB) (GE-D)	Jacqi Hodgson	(JH)

	Item	Action
0	Welcome	
,	Introduction: GB welcomed all, noted that GE-D had confirmed his willingness to continue representing Transition Totnes, and explained this was the first Steering Group meeting following on from an earlier Forum meeting.	
	Time Keeping: The revised format aims to make best use of our time, with the Steering Group ending by 8pm (at the latest).	
	Today's meeting will look at:	
	 Key Matters from the Forum. Approval of revised Appx B, urgently needed for recommendation to the Planning Committee; and Report back on Soundings at the last Steering Group meeting on 13 March 	
	We'll aim to be inclusive and make progress. If time allows, we'll try and add in 'Wrap Up' with matters arising from the AGM and the Steering Group meeting of 13 March. If time doesn't allow, an update note will be included with the Notes of the meeting.	
	Note taking: As Lisa is only supporting Forum meetings, we 'll be trying to make notes as we go – focusing on matters agreed and Actions required.	
1	Any Matters Arising from earlier Forum meeting	
1.1	LCWIP – Details of the postponed consultation will be circulated as soon as the come available.	GB', LA, AP
1.2	Community Matters: Family day walk or cycle of the proposed Dart Valley Cycle Trail, on Sunday 30 June:	
	 Information from JF to be attached to these Minutes. 	GB
	To be circulated to TTC Cllrs who provided the letter of support. TTC washeits [Post mosting]	LA
	 To be investigated whether information to go on TTC website. [Post-meeting note: JF is agreeable to this.] 	LA

Approval of updated Appendix B for recommendation to the Planning Committee An updated Appendix B had been circulated to Steering Group members previously no comments had been received in advance of the meeting. The paper forwarding Appendix B had explained the purpose of the document, its evolution, and the TTC Officer support. The meeting unanimously approved the updated Appendix B for recommendation to GB, LA, the Planning Committee. AP It was noted that the updated Appendix was urgently needed to support Planning Applications' S106 deliberations: the meeting's approval would support consideration at the Planning Committee in May, and Full Council in June. SC sought clarification of the S106 process. LA explained that South Hams District Council (as the Local Planning Authority) and Devon County Council (as the Highways Authority) are also involved, and we need to establish a more constructive way of working together on this matter which is far from simple. TTC Town Clerk has written to DCC's Chief Exec, Donna Manson, with a view to opening up discussion as to how we can achieve a joined-up strategic partnership approach to transport matters. GB noted that, with the imminent creation of a Devon and Torbay Combined Authority, there will be need to demonstrate the Authority's constructive approach to Town and Parish Councils. After wide-ranging discussion the meeting's consensus was that further support is needed to establish this – and a Planning lawyer/barrister might need to be involved. It was agreed that the Chair and Deputy Chairs give this further consideration and come forward with a paper for the Steering Group, which would include a draft GB, LA, recommendation to the Planning Committee. AP Report back on Steering Group soundings at 13 March meeting 3 GB explained that the meeting in March had looked at a previous version of Appendix B, and those present were asked to score the projects against a number of headings - not for accountable decision making, but as a 'rough-and-ready' exercise. to capture 'gut-feelings'. Responses for priorities for SG action were inconclusive, but some projects sparked more interest than others. The top 8 were: Generating the *most* interest: Support for 20's Plenty Campaign Second most interest: Pedestrian crossing at the top of Bridgetown Third most interest: Pedestrian crossing at The Lamb Equal fourth most interest: St Katherine's Way / Heath Way / The Lamb - route - proposal needed to address high volume and speed of traffic, reducing potential for active travel, especially for children. Support for Community Transport: Bob the Bus Equal sixth most interest: Create a new bridleway through the Dartington Estate Totnes Bridge Traffic Management Support local schools and organisations to develop Green Travel Plans.

which well reflected the wide range of projects the updated Appendix B.

With an updated Appendix B being recommended to the Planning Committee, GB concluded that we will need to consider next steps. Bearing in mind earlier discussions (Agenda Item 2), the Chair, Deputy Chairs, and DCC Councillor will be considering next steps in relation to what might be achievable with DCC and others, then reporting back.

4	Future Meetings		
4.1	6.30 Weds 31 July		
	o Forum — 1 topic, receive issues.		
	o Steering Group to follow a break after the Forum.		
	GB said that thoughts on the Topic for the next Forum would be very welcome – appreciating that potential Topics might become clearer nearer to July.		
4.2	If a Steering Group meeting is needed in June, it would likely be the 26 th (being the last Wednesday in June – but this would be for confirmation at a later date.		
A	Addendum to Notes of Steering Group Meeting held 24 April 2024	•	
	Time during the Steering Group meeting did not allow all matters arising from the AGM and the Steering Group meeting of 13 March to be covered, so here is the promised update.		
	All to be kept under review for whether a future meeting is needed to progress:		
	Steering Group membership	·	
	o TQ9 Partnership – AP and TB to enquire at meeting on 19 th . c/fwd	AP, TB	
	 4 surrounding villages – Understand that JH is going to do this in person as she visits each Parish. Also, Lisa has sent notes to Parish Clerks so they are aware. 	JH	
	o 2 independent traders, 1 industrial estate – MC enquiries. c/fwd	MC	
	 Discussion of other Key Sector, and other Community Group c/fwd. 		
	 Future Chamber representation – outcome from their AGM. 		
	Responding to planning applications:		
	 Baltic Wharf Ph1 S106 unspent monies – The remaining S106 money has been identified in the TTC budget for green travel support (believed to be approx £5k). 	·	
	 Campaigning for resources to address traffic flows through Totnes resulting from Torbay to Plymouth routes (with Freeport implications) 		
	o LA's report back on Devon Association of Local Councils briefings with Devon Highways at DCC - all to do with potholes and immediate funding for state of roads / maintenance so wasn't very relevant to the work we're trying to do.		
	 Strategic relationship building with DCC – steps taken as reported at SG meeting. 		
	 Peninsula Transport / Levelling Up Meetings and MP. c/fwd 		
	 LA and JH on feeding into SW Peninsula Group on infrastructure funding. c/fwd 		
	 Feint road markings and support for people with disabilities in our Green Travel Guide: 		
	 Inclusive Totnes is making enquiries of DCC Highways following consideration of guidance in their Policy document; 		
	 Accessible Totnes Guide and associated audit to c/fwd. 		
	Responding to the Open Spaces, Sports, Recreation and Wellbeing Review:		
	o Response submitted, and also included in Appx B (as Agenda Item 2).		
	MP / Bus Company Meetings – c/fwd		
	Morrisons Car Parking – c/fwd		