



**Summary of a meeting of the Economic Development Working Group held on
Wednesday 5 February 2020 at 4:00pm at the Walronds**

Present: Cllr Martin Smith (in the chair) and Cllrs: Kate Haslett, Janet Johns, and Russ Murch, Jenny Radford (Farmers Market).

Mrs Judy Morris: Clerk

Also in attendance: Iain Emmett, Roy Gould, Ashley Hellier, Debbie Lochhead Yousuf Qayum and Judy Smith

1. **APOLOGIES:** Received from Cllr Justin Lochhead (personal).
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS:** None
3. **MINUTES:** The Minutes of previous meetings held on 2 December 2019 and 29 January 2020 were approved and signed.
4. **19 HIGH STREET: To receive update report on progress to-date.**
 - **Publicity material** and artwork for the open day event nearing completion.
 - **Contacting educational establishments:** Draft letter prepared to send to Petroc, RM offered to provide contact details.
 - **Governance:** Short explanation of governance options prepared.
 - **Access from Forge Way:** Waiting for response from Enterprise Inns, owners of Market House Inn. The Chairman reported a meeting with the licensee who has a concern about losing parking provision.
 - **Design:** In response to a question it was confirmed that the MDDC Conservation Officer had visited the site and liked the contemporary design but it should be made clear that, at this stage, it is just an idea.
5. **PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT ON 9 FEBRUARY: To receive an update on progress to-date and agree any action needed.**
 - **Financing the project:** Discussion about different ways to finance the project, different options being explored at this stage need to find out how much public support there is for the project.
 - **Half hourly presentations:** MS offered to give a 5 minute presentation every half hour.
 - **Interest form:** RM has drafted a form that anyone interested in the project can complete. JM offered to proof read and photocopy.

- **Barrier: JM** to source barrier to place across viewing doorway.
- **Resources:**
 - Flip charts and paper (JS)
 - Large screen TV (to be arranged).
 - A Frames and posters (JM)
 - Hi- Viz Jackets (JM)
 - Post-it notes (JM)
 - Interest forms (RM/JM)
 - Pens and paper (JM)

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS RELATING TO 19 HIGH STREET. None

7. DATE & TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING: To be advised.

With no further business, the Chair thanked attendees and closed the meeting.

It is certified these Minutes are a true and accurate record of the meeting:

Signed:

Name:

Date:/...../.....