

Grand Western Canal Joint Advisory Committee

Tuesday, 3 October 2023 at 7.00 pm

Please Note: This meeting will take place at Phoenix House and members of the Public and Press are able to attend via Teams. If you are intending to attend in person please contact the committee clerk in advance, in order that numbers of people can be appropriately managed in physical meeting rooms.

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A G E N D A

Members are reminded of the need to make declarations of interest prior to any discussion which may take place

- 1 **Election of Chairman for 2023/2024**
To elect a Chairman for 2023/2024 (the Terms of Reference state that the appointment should be made from the Mid Devon District Council representation for 2023/2024).
- 2 **Election of Vice Chairman for 2023/2024**
To elect a Vice Chairman for 2023/2024 (the Terms of reference state that this appointment should come from the Devon County Council representation for 2023/2024).
- 3 **Apologies**
To receive any apologies for absence.
- 4 **Public Question Time**
To receive any questions from the public and replies thereto.
- 5 **Minutes of the previous meeting** (*Pages 5 - 10*)
Members to consider whether to approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting held on 7 March 2023.
- 6 **Matters Arising**
To consider any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.
- 7 **Chairman's Announcements**
To receive any announcements that the Chairman may wish to make.
- 8 **Canal Business Group Representation**
Committee to discuss.

- 9 **Terms of Reference and membership review** (*Pages 11 - 14*)
To consider and approve the Terms of Reference and membership of the Committee for 2023/2024 (please find attached).
- 10 **Progress Report** (*Pages 15 - 30*)
To receive a report summarising the work that has taken place with regard to the canal since the last meeting.
- 11 **Draft Memorial Bench Policy** (*Pages 31 - 34*)
To consider and endorse the draft Memorial Bench Policy, subject to any agreed amendments.
- 12 **Update on the situation regarding Aggregate Industries**
To receive an update and discuss.
- 13 **Impact of Planning Enforcement activity**
For the GWCJAC's members to consider asking Mid Devon District Council's Chief Executive to explain the impact and implications of the shortfall in Enforcement Activity when Planning Conditions are breached.
- 14 **50th anniversary of the horse drawn barge**
Committee to note and discuss any ideas to celebrate this anniversary.
- 15 **Any other business**
To consider any other relevant business.
- 16 **Identification of items for the next meeting**
To identify any issues for discussion at the next meeting.
- 17 **Date of the next meeting**
To agree the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 5th March 2024 at 7pm.

Stephen Walford
Chief Executive
Monday 25 September 2023

Meeting Information

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ensure that you are not missed. Notification in this way will ensure the meeting runs as smoothly as possible.

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