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LLANDUDNO COASTAL FORUM

SEPTEMBER 25TH 2014

THOSE PRESENT

Mr Roy Haley – Chairman.
Cllr Frank Bradfield - Conwy County Borough Council.
Cllr Dewi Miles - Conwy County Borough Council.
Mr Nigel Treacy - Destination Conwy.
Mr Gerry Sweeny - Friends of West Shore.
Mrs Eileen Burrows - Llandudno Chamber of Trade.
Mr Berin Jones - Llandudno Hospitality Association.
Mr Tony Lockett - Llandudno Sailing Club.
Mr Edward Hiller - Mostyn Estates Ltd.
Ms Alison Shields - Restore Our Beach.
Mr John Farrell - Restore Our Beach.
Ms Debbie Wareham - Ships' Timbers.
Mr Ken Finch - Democracy, Regulation & Support. CCBC.
Mr Geraint Edwards - Environment, Roads & Facilities. CCBC.
Cllr Mike Priestley - Environment, Roads & Facilities. CCBC.

APOLOGIES

Cllr Garry Burchett - Llandudno Town Council.
Cllr Greg JT Robbins - Llandudno Town Council.
Mr Paul Moreton – RNLI.

1. MINUTES

IT WAS AGREED to accept the minutes of the Forum meeting held on Thursday 11th September as a true and correct record.

2. URGENT ITEMS

There were no urgent items.

3. THEMED ITEMS - PREVIOUSLY AGREED AT FORUM MEETING OF 11/9/2014

- Sandy Beach.
- Groynes.
- Sea Defence Wall.

A lengthy robust discussion took place amongst members regarding the above.

During the course of the debate a wide range of ideas were discussed, these included what members felt was the central issue for Llandudno as a Tourist Resort, *a sandy accessible beach, with control measures in place to retain the sand, whilst still maintaining an adequate sea defence for the town.*

The discussion then moved on to how the Forum could help Llandudno achieve this in the short term, whilst still working towards the Forum's final goals as set out in it's "TERMS OF REFERENCE". (Forum Meeting 12/8/2014)

To do this members felt it was important to be given the benefit of expert advice on the ideas they put forward and would therefore appreciate professional help in facilitating ideas for the Coastal Forum to explore.

It was suggested to members that they could look to draw up a master plan for Llandudno, which could then be phased in over time as had been previously done in Colwyn Bay.

Members were also informed that it would be beneficial to look at a broad range of solutions to the challenges facing Llandudno, to prove to future funding bodies that Forum had considered more than one solution.

IT WAS THEREFORE AGREED that the following be put forward as only a part of the options for a future feasibility study.

- 1. Sandy Beach with control measures in place, eg "Wooden Groynes" to retain sand.**
- 2. Stepped Revetment to act as Sea Defence Measure.**
- 3. Improved Rear Wall to Promenade.**

Members were informed that any future feasibility study would have to be funded by more than one stakeholder (Conwy County Borough Council, would probably provide the bulk of the funding along with Llandudno Town Council, but contributions would be sought from other potential funders).

4. TIDAL HEIGHTS - PREVIOUSLY AGREED AT FORUM MEETING OF 11/9/2014

Members received brief report from Mr Geraint Edwards (CCBC) regarding "RANKED HIGHEST TIDES OVER THE LAST 100 YEARS FOR LLANDUDNO", along with a hand out containing the data on highest tides going back to 1915, it was explained to members that specific data for Llandudno was only available from 1994 onwards. However, members were informed that there was more information available to them if they visited the Conwy County Borough Council website and searched for "Conwy Tidal Flood Risk Assessment" modified for Llandudno.

Alternatively members could visit the Forum's "Data Room", which Cllr Greg JT Robbins (LLTC) had set up.

During the discussion that followed members were again reminded that "Tidal Heights" were only one ingredient along with wind direction, speed and barometric pressure, when looking at sea defences

5. ST GEORGE'S HARBOUR

Mr John Farrell (R.O.B.) explained to members that the subject of St Georges Harbour had been requested for discussion in an attempt to ensure that the Forum looked at a broad range of options for the town. This included investigating historic suggestions for Llandudno, in the hope of finding useful ideas, for the present day Llandudno.

There then followed a brief discussion during which several members commented that Llandudno was fortunate, that the scheme proposed in the 1800's hadn't gone ahead.

6. KEY FLOOD RISKS TO LLANDUDNO

Members received a presentation from Mr Edward Hiller (Mostyn Estates Ltd) regarding what he believed to be the "Key Flood Risks to Llandudno".

The presentation with the help of visual aids expanded on the Email sent to members by Mr Hiller (previously circulated 19/9/2014).

A discussion took place following the presentation, amongst members regarding the "issues" and "possible solutions" to the them, Mr Hiller's presentation had highlighted.

Mr Hiller was thanked by the Chairman and Members for his informative presentation.

7. ANY OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO COASTAL FORUM

Members were provided with a laminated A3 size representation of Llandudno North Shore (courtesy of Restore Our Beach) for the purpose of illustrating their visions for The North Shore, which they could then bring with them to the next meeting.

8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

No correspondence had been received.

9. TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Chairman informed members that he would be unavailable for the next meeting.

IT WAS THEREFORE AGREED to ask Cllr Greg JT Robbins (LLTC) to Chair the Forum meeting to be held on Thursday 9th October.

The Time and Date of the next meeting was confirmed as **THURSDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2014**

All items for possible inclusion on the agenda of 9/10/2014, must be submitted in writing / via email, for consideration by the Chairman by no later than 10am on Thursday 2nd October 2014. Prospective agenda items should include a brief description of the topic for discussion.

Meeting Ended at 7:55 pm