

**TEIGNBRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S) DECISION**

LEADER: Cllr Hook

PORTFOLIO HOLDER: Cllr Jeffries

**PART 1 – FOR OFFICER COMPLETION**

**SUBJECT:** Teignmouth Beach Management Plan

**DATE:**

**REQUEST OF:** Graeme Smith – Coastal Officer

**REQUEST TO:** Cllr Nina Jeffries - Portfolio Holder for Business, Economy & Tourism (includes Coastal Management)

**PART I**

**PROGRESS BOX**

| Stage number | Stage description                          | Progress - requesting officer to mark with <b>completed</b> or <b>current</b> if “live” stage | Date       |
|--------------|--|---|------------|
| 1            | First draft                                | Completed   | 07/08/19   |
| 2            | BL/BM consultation                         | Completed   | 07/08/19   |
| 3            | Discussion with PH                         | Completed   | 07/08/19   |
| 4            | Initial local members / Chair O&S comments | Completed (O&S Chair supported)   | 12/09/19   |
| 5            | MO/151 consulted                           | Completed (supported)   | 12/09/19   |
| 6            | Check – any objections from stages 4 & 5   | Completed (none received)   | 12/09/19   |
| 7            | PH approved for consultation?              | Completed   | 12/09/19   |
|              |  | Democratic Services to complete subsequent stages   |            |
| 8            | All Councillors consulted                  | Completed   | 13/09/2019 |
| 9            | Call in completed                          | Completed   | 20/09/2019 |
| 10           | Originating Officer advised                | Completed   | 20/09/2019 |
| 11           | Filed and placed on web                    | Completed   | 20/09/2019 |
| 12           | Signed copy filed                          |   |            |

**1. PROPOSED DECISION**

The consent of **Cllr Nina Jeffries** is sought to accept external funds to progress a Beach Management Plan (BMP) for Teignmouth.

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I do not consider this a key decision and suggest you consult with the Overview & Scrutiny Committee Chairman.

### **2. BACKGROUND (TO INCLUDE ALL OPTIONS CONSIDERED)**

The purpose of the BMP is to identifying preferred options and develop the technical evidence and business case to justify any beach management works required along Teignmouth seafront including, for example, groyne improvements, beach recharge and further monitoring. Physical beach management works would be subject to future capital bids to national Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management funding streams. A structural assessment of Teignmouth seafront defenses is also required to determine any immediate and likely future works needed. The BMP will also inform any likely impacts of the proposed adjacent Network Rail works on Teignmouth and Shaldon beach assets including a comparison of cost between preferred beach management options, including longer-term maintenance costs, 'with' or 'without' proposed NR works.

Council Officers have worked with counterparts from the Environment Agency to secure an offer of £115,000 of national capital funding towards a £125,000 BMP project to be produced to a nationally establish CIRIA standard (the balance being the provision of the equivalent of £10,000 of existing Officer resources to manage the project). This will include data collection, defense asset assessment, review of management regimes, development of long and short list options to be refined to preferred management options, reporting and stakeholder engagement, over a 12-15mth period.

Proposed Option – Accept an external award of up to £115,000 to produce a BMP for the Teignmouth area.

Alternative Option – Do Nothing

A Do Nothing approach would not produce the externally funded evidence base which is required to properly manage the assets at Teignmouth and adjacent beaches, and would not enable possible future external funding applications to undertake significant works should these be required.

### **3. MAIN IMPLICATIONS**

The implications that Members need to be aware of are as follows:

Financial – to receive up to £115,000 as a capital grant to progress the project.

### **4. GROUPS / INDIVIDUALS CONSULTED**

The BMP proposal has been subject to widespread consultation through the Council hosted and led Teign Estuary and Coastal Partnership (TECP) which

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includes the Environment Agency, Teign Harbour Commission, Associated British Ports, and the Town Councils of Newton Abbot, Kingsteignton, Dawlish and Teignmouth. It has also been presented to over 150 coastal stakeholder representatives (agencies, clubs and organisations) as delegates at the TECP Forum and separately to the Teignmouth Town Centre Management Partnership, all of whom have supported the proposal to progress a BMP.

### 5. TIME-SCALE

The Council could begin to draw down the external funding from the end of 2019 and the project is expected to complete by the end of March 2021.

### 6. JUSTIFICATION (Please complete)

The proposed decision is recommended to help progress several of the Council's core Strategies, namely Great places to live and work, Going to town, Investing in prosperity, Out and about and active, and Strong communities.

**Officer**                      **Graeme Smith**  
**Designation**              **Coastal Officer**

## PART 2 (TO BE COMPLETED BY DEMOCRATIC SERVICES)

**Decision No.....**

**Date of Implementation ..... Subject to call in**

## PART 3 FOR MEMBER COMPLETION

**DECISION:** I confirm decision as set out in paragraph 1 above

**REASONS FOR DECISION:** I agree the justification set out in paragraph 6 above.

**I have no conflict of interest in making this decision having considered the provisions of the Teignbridge Code of Conduct.**

Signed.....                      Dated: .....

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| <b>Wards affected</b>                              | Teignmouth                     |
| <b>Contact for more information</b>                | Graeme Smith – Coastal Officer |
| <b>Background Papers (For Part I reports only)</b> |                                |
| <b>Key Decision</b>                                |                                |
| <b>In Forward Plan</b>                             |                                |
| <b>In O&amp;S Work Programme</b>                   |                                |