

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (NPSG)

6 February 2017: Meeting With AECOM re SEA - Notes
10:00am at Hayle Community Centre

Present:

- NPSG: Cllr John Bennett (Chair), Dave Raymer, Paul Pellegrinetti, Cllr Graham Coad and Cllr Brian Capper.
AECOM: Nick Chisholm-Batten, Ryan Putt (Plymouth office)

Notes:

1.	There was a general discussion about the SEA process and an exchange of information on the priorities and difficulties for Hayle. The need to protect towns and villages was discussed (old policy TV2) and there was an exchange about the problems with traffic and the linear nature of Hayle. The Tolroy Junction was explained and the possibility of the Causeway being inundated in the future.	
2.	AECOM advised that the SEA would be on the whole plan and not just the items identified by Cornwall Council (NE2, NE4, NE6 and EX1)	
2.	The first step is scoping and a draft could be ready in about a week. The Steering Group will review and then there is a 5-week consultation period of Statutory Consultees: NE, EA and HE. Since these agencies have already seen the draft plan, it is hoped that there will not be any surprises from them.	AECOM NPSG
3.	Once the Statutory Consultees have responded and any necessary amendments made, we can commence the Regulation 14 consultation for 6 weeks.	
4.	AECOM will produce an environmental report and they are mindful that legal challenges are now being made to SEAs, particularly where 'reasonable alternatives' have not been properly considered. AECOM was involved with the St Ives plan which survived the legal challenge.	
	The meeting closed at 11:30 am and was followed by a site visit which included: Foundry Square, the Millpond, Tolroy, Harvey's Foundry Trust, the Plantation (climbing to the viewing platform), Carnsew Road, the Causeway, the western approach to Hayle on the B3301, the harbour via North Quay, Harvey's Towans, the King George V Memorial Walk and Copperhouse Pool, Phillack, Riviere Farm, the Riviere Towans Chalet Site, Sandy Acres, Highlanes and the eastern approach to Hayle.	