## To receive an update on the Waterside Toilet and Sheds Project and consider any actions and associated expenditure.

Report to: Property Maintenance

**Date of Report:** 13.02.2025

Officer Writing the Report: Development and Engagement Manager

## **Report Summary**

On Monday, January 20th, representatives from Cornwall Council's Historic and Cultural departments visited Saltash for a tour and meeting. The Waterside Working Group, along with the Development and Engagement Manager, guided the Cornwall Council representatives on a tour of Fore Street, Victoria Gardens, and the entire Waterside area. The tour concluded at Isambard House, where the Development and Engagement Manager presented an overview of the Waterside Toilet and Sheds project, outlining its vision. The Councillors also shared their goals for the area, along with updates on Saltash's developments.

Both departments provided very positive feedback and expressed their enthusiasm for supporting the project as it moves forward. **Please refer to Appendix 1** for the presentation shared during the meeting.

Discussions also focused on the next steps for Waterside's development. The Historic Department offered to support Saltash Town Council by mapping the area and highlighting its key historical elements. Meanwhile, the Cultural Department proposed potential uses for the sheds, such as artist studios and event spaces for cultural activities. Both departments expressed strong support for the project and requested to be kept informed of future developments to offer assistance wherever possible.

The Waterside Working Group met on Thursday, January 30th, to review the Cornwall Council meeting and discuss the next steps for the project's development. It was agreed that the Development and Engagement Manager (DEM) would begin preparing a project proposal to present at a future working group meeting, once the lease of the toilets and sheds has been agreed. The lease is still being pursued, and it was agreed that the DEM cannot proceed any further until the lease is in place.

## Signature of Officer:

Appendix 1

Please find the Waterside presentation here: <u>WATERSIDE DEVELOPMENT</u>

<u>PROJECT.mp4</u>