

## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING REPORT

Year ending April 2018

I am very sorry to have to report that this has not been a successful year in bringing forward a NP for Dawlish to be "made".

In spite of the work done in the first 6 months of the year it was decided that we had got to the stage where we would need professional assistance.

We asked for and were granted financial assistance from DTC which would also enable us to apply for grant funding to pay for a consultant. Due to the major changes that took place in Dawlish TC offices and the change of NP Officer at Teignbridge the project was put on hold.

At the beginning of the year when a new town clerk came into place I had a meeting at which it was decided to write to consultants in this area who specialised in this work. The town clerk also asked other councils in the area for recommendations as several smaller parishes had been able to have plans made. He wrote to 6 and to date has not had any replies. The town clerk has had a meeting with the new Teignbridge officer to discuss the situation.

We will continue to work on a NP as Teignbridge are now, 5 years into the present made plan, looking to update and continue to 2040. We are having Locality meetings on this at Teignbridge including boundary changes. It is most important that we are part of the process and accepted into the updates.

A valuable lesson I have learnt is that if the NP for Dawlish is contrary to Plan Teignbridge it will not be accepted and therefore, not "made".

I shall continue to pursue the matter during the coming months as I am sure we all realise how important it is to look after our town between now and 2040 as we are going to see a further amount of development in that time.

Rosalind Prowse

Chairman