

CCT Press Release – September 2020

Major Study of Saltash Waterfront Begins.



Spring Tide August 2020

Saltash Town Council have appointed consultants, the John Grimes Partnership to carry out a study of the Saltash waterfront areas for the Saltash Coastal Communities Team. The Saltash Coastal Communities Team, is made up of volunteers from local businesses, organisations and members of the public, as well as Town and Cornwall councillors.

The team won a bid for £50,000 from the Government's Coastal Revival Fund to carry out a design feasibility study for public realm and flood protection improvements to the area.

Areas of Saltash suffer from significant flooding during Spring Tides, and these are predicted to get considerably worse over the coming years, and some form of barrier could provide protection from these increasing predictable events as well as from weather related tidal surges that may occur.

Town Councillor, Richard Bickford who chairs the Saltash Coastal Communities Team, said 'The John Grimes Partnership were chosen following a formal tender process which included interviews. Their bid was impressive and they clearly showed they understood the issues and area.'

He added 'I hope this will form the basis for much larger funding bids to carry out the vital protection work, as well as making some carefully chosen improvements to the public realm areas to enhance the appeal and experience for residents and visitors alike. A public consultation to illustrate potential design options is planned for the autumn, however Covid restrictions mean we may need to take a different approach to engaging with people. This means it is important that everyone in the town is aware of what is going on and what we are planning to do so that they can spread the word now and keep an eye open for further details.'

Tom White, from the John Grimes Partnership added 'We are delighted to be appointed for the study, and look forward to working with the CCT and wider community to bring forward a plan to protect and improve this beautiful area over the coming years'.

Note to Editors

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