

APPENDIX A - PARTNERSHIP FUNDING

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

Citizens Advice Torridge, North, Mid & West Devon (CA TNMWD)

Charity Number 1068496

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

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3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

TNMWD CA provides free, impartial, confidential and independent advice on debt, housing, employment, benefits and many other areas of concern via face to face, telephone, webchat and email. Our goal is to help everyone find a way forward, whatever problem they face by educating them on their rights and responsibilities. Our twin aim is to give a voice to residents and campaign on their behalf to improve the policies and practices affecting their lives to help make society fairer.

We work closely with WDBC to ensure clients understand their responsibilities regarding priority debts, minimising the effect of Council Tax and rent arrears. Citizens Advice TNMWD has undertaken efficiency exercises to include a restructure to ensure funders are receiving best value for their investment to our Charity whilst maintaining the high quality service our clients and funders expect. CA TNMWD is regulated by the FCA & accredited by the Advice Quality Standards Agency.

Last year we helped 6295 West Devon clients with 9,791 issues of which 66% were Housing, Welfare Benefits, debt and Employment. Our support generated £1.1 Million back into the economy of West Devon.

98% of our clients would recommend our services to friends and family.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

£32,900

The funding received by WDBC contributes to the day to day service of the offices in Okehampton and Tavistock, together with the telephone and webchat service members of the public in West Devon can access.

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

We work with WDBC to support those most deprived within the community, providing advice and information on people's rights and responsibilities. Recognising areas of deprivation and the rural geography, we align our services to ensure people can reach us whether by phone, email, face to face or via the internet, promoting self-help where applicable. We provide volunteering opportunities which helps people gain confidence get back into work and assist with the rural issue of isolation. We work in partnership with other local community based services to best support the needs of local people. We aim to keep people safe through our safeguarding procedures and try to prevent people from becoming homeless by working with WDBC housing and benefits team, landlords and other agencies. We maximise income through welfare benefits to reduce poverty and improve the quality of people's lives.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

We work with WDBC to deliver efficient services to clients in the area. Our service includes face to face, telephone and webchat advice and information, supporting people in a way they choose and inclusive to all.

We help people to stay in their homes by providing advice and Information on a range of Housing and Council Tax issues, empowering people to understand their rights and responsibilities including the prioritisation of payments such as rent and Council Tax.

We work in collaboration with local community organisations and agencies and provide volunteering opportunity to local people to assist with concerns of rural isolation and wellbeing.

The support we provided last year resulted in a £1.1 million income uplift into the economy of West Devon supporting people to thrive and local business to grow.

As an organisation, we have an Environmental Policy which focuses on paper free processes and recycling of waste. Our digital services allow access from home as a choice or where people are unable to attend a face to face session.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

We provide Advice and Information services to over 6000 people in West Devon each year through a variety of channels to meet the needs of the most vulnerable in society.

The majority of support provided is in the area of Housing, Welfare Benefits and Debt. We support people of WDBC to understand their rights and responsibilities and work closely with the Council on these issues to prevent homelessness and Council Tax arrears. We encourage people to apply for Welfare benefits where appropriate, enabling them to increase household income and better their lives.

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

We receive grant funding from DCC, Town and Parish Councils and through Trust and Grant giving organisations. We also receive a small amount of client donations.

In addition we have a number of funded projects which financially contribute to the local service. Funding is used to cover the cost of delivering face to face and digital services in West Devon to include:

Rent for both the Okehampton and Tavistock offices

Utility costs on a pro-rata basis across the West Devon offices

Training costs for recruiting and training volunteers

Maintaining and developing digital services

Staffing costs

Professional fees (auditors/legal fees)

Insurance policies we need

Volunteer expenses for travel

Stationary and communication costs

I.T. equipment for the core office

Maintenance and office equipment

Citizens Advice membership fee and the quality of advice and organisational audit on a pro-rata basis.

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

West Devon Community and Voluntary Services Charity No: 1119730

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

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3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

A) Support to not-for-profit groups & organisations

- One to one support for not for profit groups and organisations across West Devon including
 - Governance advice
 - Funding advice
 - Awareness raising of good practice through newsletters, workshops and website
 - Recruiting volunteers
 - Business /financial planning
- Workshops and other opportunities for individuals and groups to come together to build skills
- Circulating a Monthly Funding Newsletter
- Holding and managing funds for smaller, new groups during their set up phase

B) Supporting Volunteering/Active Citizenship

- Volunteering support through on-line brokerage, a local opportunity bulletin and supported one to one support for individuals with additional needs

C) Supporting Community Wellbeing

- Making information available about local services in printed form via **In Touch Tavi & In Touch Oke**
- Facilitating town based forums through the Okehampton and Tavistock Health and Wellbeing Alliances – for all groups and agencies to work together to identify unmet needs and find collective, achievable and potentially sustainable solutions.
- Using partnership approach co-ordinating delivery of those solutions working with local groups and agencies – increasing their resilience and therefore that of the community they serve.

D) Securing Additional Inward Investment

- Managing and co-ordinating projects bringing additional funding into the Borough including
 - Social prescribing in partnership with the two Primary Care Networks and adult social care supporting the health and wellbeing of individuals in West Devon
 - Transitions moneywise - providing the link between not for profit sector services and debt/money advice and providing intelligence about the sector, co-ordinating events across the borough to raise awareness of services available.
 - West Devon Rovers –volunteer led project providing stewards and basic traffic management and first aid to community events
 - Supported volunteering – Tavistock only – supporting individuals with learning disabilities or other vulnerabilities to participate in their communities
 - Tavistock Area Wellbeing: As well as social prescribing, providing dedicated community development resource for the town and Area
 - Oke Responds – Okehampton – community building/development of services to support health and wellbeing.

E) Intelligence Gathering / Community Voice

- Speaking up for our local organisation to ensure their voice is heard at strategic, county level meetings and to ensure they are not used inappropriately
- Collecting and maintaining intelligence about the not for profit sector in West Devon

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

£5,100

Contribution to staff wages and organisation running costs

Total running costs 19/20: £61,481

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

The groups and organisations we support cover the whole range of services needed by the community across all age groups and all protected characteristics.

By supporting these groups to support their service users we are contributing to the needs of local people.

Our social prescribing projects and our supported volunteering work directly with local people helping them to engage with their local communities and through those activities improve their wellbeing and independence

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

Our services directly align with the Communities and Wellbeing Corporate strategy themes through our projects, support to groups and organisations and individuals and indirectly to the other corporate strategy themes, for example as a designated community consultee for the Neighbourhood Plans we are supporting the Environment themes.

We ensure that all services provided are compatible with, and in accordance with the identifying protected characteristics, set out in the Equality Act 2010.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

Our services are community-driven & as such are not focussed on meeting statutory duties. We do have impact on our partners' ability to deliver their Duties. For example our Community Wellbeing activities, including the Co-ordinator & Development Worker roles, acting in a preventative capacity will help to ensure individuals who are really in need of support from services provided through the council's Duties. This is also true of our role as Community Consultee for Neighbourhood Plans.

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

We receive funding from various funders relating to our project work which supports our services.

These include Lottery, Primary Care Networks, Adult & Social Care, Okehampton United Charities, Okehampton Lions, Tavistock Rotary and Lions and Individuals who support our work.

Depending on the conditions attached to the funding, this is used to cover salaries, running costs as well as specific items (eg In TouchTavi/Oke)

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

South West Youth Games – now Planet Earth Games

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

Jon Parkinson / Assets – Leisure & Recreation

3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

The Planet Earth Games is a new event launched in 2019, which took place in July at Exeter. This new format widens the event to the environment and engages young people in best environmental practice, as well as being active and taking part in sport.

It replaces the previous South West (Devon) Youth Games over many years which brought local authority area teams to take part in multi-sport youth competition and festival.

Okehampton Community Recreation Association / OCRA, through its community outreach work, delivers the management and promotion of the Games for West Devon and directs young people through clubs to take part in the Games.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

£2,000 on promotion and club development to promote the Games across West Devon and signpost young people and local clubs to enter the Games directly.

As the Games is having a stronger environmental focus and greater business support and sponsorship, the Games will reduce its need for local authority financial support.

Future funding support for the Games can be directed to the SeaMoor Lottery scheme.

No further direct Council grant funding is required.

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

The Youth Games event enables young people and their voluntary coaches and leaders to engage in active and healthy lifestyles. Also it provides links with local clubs and groups to allow the young people to carry on being active, creating a positive life habit.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

Positive links to Environment, Wellbeing and Communities.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

N/A

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

N/A

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

Junior Life Skills – note, this is an event not an organisation or partnership.

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

Ian Luscombe, Head of EH and Licensing at West Devon Borough Council

3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

It is important to stress Junior Life Skills is an **event** as opposed to a partnership per se. The annual Junior Life Skills event comes under the umbrella of the Council's Environmental Health Team who pay an external contractor to organise and run the event. The Junior Life Skills initiative contributes a strong public health and wellbeing message. It links to the Council's preventative approach, particularly through the work of the Community Safety Partnership. The contractor runs the event including the co-ordination of schools and also invites a wide range of partners such as the Police, Fire and rescue Service, RNLI etc. Each partner organisation contributes a demonstration and interactive session to the event free of charge to approx. 200 primary school age children every year.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

The total budget for the event is £2,510 not £1,440 as previously quoted.

The budget is used to pay an external contractor to run the event and for venue hire.

Cost breakdown

19/20	£
Venue (Parklands - Fusion)	0
Venue (Tavistock Town Council)	350
Contractor (Organiser)	2160
Refreshments	Nil
Sub Total	2,510

In addition to Council Staff Time:Localities:

2 full time members of staff for 2 days

Environmental Health:

1 full time member of staff for 1 day

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

The Junior Life Skills event contributes to the wellbeing theme of the Council. The event provides children with experiences and information around public safety and health matters which stay with them for a lifetime. The event is a great example of the Council supporting preventative measures stopping children and young adults getting into danger, becoming injured or developing ill health. Whilst very difficult to measure the social and economic impact of preventing ill health is very significant and this event should be viewed as an important, proactive investment into the health and wellbeing of our local communities.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

This fits into the Wellbeing and Community themes. The Junior Life Skills event also fits in to the Devon County Council wellbeing strategy priority of Health, Safe and Strong Communities.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

N/A

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

N/A

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

Okehampton Community Recreation Association - OCRA Charity No: 1011839

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

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3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

OCRA is a charity that provides sporting and recreational opportunities for the inhabitants of Okehampton Parish, Tavistock and their surrounding villages.

Current OCRA activities include:

- Walking Football
- Badminton
- Pilates
- Exercise Classes
- Special needs activities
- Volleyball
- Basketball
- Community activities

Facility management of local sporting facilities enabling local sporting and social clubs to provide opportunities for physical and wellbeing activities.

We also facilitate a programme of sports and activity festivals for the local area's primary schools, many of which fall under the umbrella of the National School Games awards. We also deliver school curriculum sessions within smaller primary schools and regular after school sessions.

OCRA is also the sports and community development partner for Fusion Leisure in West Devon based around their centres' in Okehampton and Tavistock.

In the previous academic year (September 18-August 19) we have facilitated over 18000 individual attendances through our programmes this excludes those clubs that access the facilities for hire we manage.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

OCRA received £1333 for the funding period of 19/20.

This money is allocated in the following ways:

Core costs: The amount covers 107 hours of core funding for the Manager of OCRA, this equates to 2 hours per week for the administration of the School Sports Co Coordinator (SSCO) role within OCRA. Which facilitates the School Sports Festivals, curriculum PE and after school delivery. Plus the delivery of the Sports and Fitness Festival in Okehampton and School holiday activity programme.

This has wider implications as this work supplements the delivery of the broader OCRA programme of activities and has the impact on the most number of individuals.

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

Our activities, clubs and facilities provide the opportunity for over 18000 individual attendances for the parish of Okehampton, the Hamlets, Tavistock and surrounding areas. We also provide the hire of facilities for a number of clubs in the local area which reaches a further 225 plus individuals each week, 30 weeks of the year.

This breadth of delivery promotes physical and mental wellbeing for all those that access us, reduced social isolation and the opportunity for all to try something as our scope expands towards the recreational remit of the charity. This includes new sessions for mums and children; male dementia suffers; work readiness; disadvantaged children and the establishment of the Pavilion as a truly community based establishment.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

OCRA supports the Council's corporate strategy in the following ways:

Council:

Delivery of efficient and effective services for the benefit of the inhabitants of Okehampton the Hamlets, Tavistock and surrounding villages.

Wellbeing:

Promoting the safe spaces to partake in physical and mental activities for all age groups.

Promoting healthy lifestyles through activity in schools, mainstream sport, physical activity sessions, walking sport, holiday activities and awareness workshops with partners.

Promoting the use of Simmons Park as conduit for physical and mental wellbeing.

Communities:

Working with the community to provide the opportunities they want in a sustainable manner.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

- Affordable access to facilities, including for those from low income households. OCRA is working in partnership with the local youth club to identify those who struggle to afford to participate in physical activity and provide access for them.
- More support for clubs (financial, training & general advice), we are a central hub for training delivery (first aid, safeguarding, schools staff), funding awareness and advice
- Links to school sport & physical activity, OCRA has acted as the School Games Organisers since School sports partnerships were disbanded, we also deliver curriculum lessons and afterschool clubs.
- Continued communication between partners and the district council, OCRA acts as a conduit for information passed from our partners in local authority, delivery partners (Fusion Leisure), local health and wellbeing alliances, Active Devon and many more.
- Provision of a multitude of physically and mentally active opportunities with the knock on effect of a reduction on the reliance on NHS and voluntary sector. Including the opportunity to refer across services.

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

OCRA receives funding from Fusion Leisure as their partner for Sports and Community Development in West Devon. These monies underpin our delivery of OCRA clubs at Fusion centres in Okehampton and Tavistock, plus the delivery of initiatives and events that are of benefit to the local community. These include the delivery of activities for free at local fairs (Okehampton May Fair, Belstone, Sticklepath, Yelverton, and South Zeal to name a few). The money is also spent within our work in schools for the provision of medals, certificates and trophies alongside our holiday scheme provision.

OCRA has previously received funding for the core costs of the business from Okehampton United Charities (OUC) this has been used to pay for the administration of the charity's finances, the clerk, administration and part funding the management of OCRA. We have applied again although this funding is not guaranteed.

Small donations have been applied for via localities funding, town councils, the mayor and other local charities which are applied to specific purposes (Sports festival, new equipment, etc.)

All other monies are generated through participants of our activities, donations and membership fees, these are carefully set to cover costs and generate a small surplus to contribute towards the core costs of the business including the cost of running the Pavilion. The café and event hire act as our commercial arm and are structured now towards breaking even.

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

Okehampton & District Community Transport Group Charity No. 1024617

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

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3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

Ring and Ride Bus service – door to door wheelchair accessible service for shopping in Okehampton from outlying villages and town – Monday to Friday
Community Bus – Wheelchair accessible, door to door service for lifestyle trips and groups
Voluntary Car Scheme – door to door service for both healthcare appointments and social journeys
Two wheelchair accessible vehicles – 1 wheelchair plus 2 carers and 1 wheelchair and 6 passengers – both used for transport to health and social journeys, the larger of the two is also used for small group trips and journeys to lunch clubs

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

£6,533, a reduction from the previous years which had been £10,315
This was used to fund the Ring and Ride Bus Service as all the fares are subsidised to keep them affordable to clients

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

Our clients require a door to door service, most of them would find it extremely difficult to access public bus services via a bus stop even if they were available. We cover 274 square miles of very rural West Devon, many of our clients live in very isolated areas and we are the only opportunity they have to access shops or meet their friends as well as accessing healthcare. Our services allow them to remain in their own homes for longer and to be independent, which improves their health and wellbeing.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

We aim to deliver efficient and affordable transport to our clients.
We provide opportunities for clients to have a better quality of life.
We work with many partners including Okehampton Health & Wellbeing Alliance to ensure our clients are aware of what is available to them and be able to signpost them to services.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

We comply with all Road Traffic Act regulations and Section 19. These are under judicial review but we are in a position to adapt our procedures to meet any new regulations.

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

We currently receive a grant from Devon County Council of £15,300 which is also used to provide the Ring and Ride service.
We apply to local Parish Councils each year with varying degrees of success, this is used to fund our Volunteer Car Service. Although we charge fares to our clients, they only pay for the mileage while they are in the car, we pay for the driver to get to and from the client which can be many miles.
We carry out other fundraising such as our 100 Club, two coffee mornings each year and receive goods from clients and wellwishers which we can sell to raise funds, this is either done by social media or a pop up shop. We also put on events like Quiz nights and Bingo. These funds are used to keep the two Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles on the road as they can be expensive to maintain as they require extra service checks and the insurance is very expensive.
We also apply to many Trusts and Foundations for assistance, and have successfully funded the replacement of one of our vehicles. We are now trying to raise over £70,000 to replace our ageing 15 seater minibus. This minibus has been leased to us by DCC for over 20 years but they have recently transferred ownership to us, together with all the responsibility for maintenance and detailed records.

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

TAVISTOCK & DISTRICT RING & RIDE – formerly Tavistock & District Local Transport Partnership

(TDLTP) Charity No: 1079282. *Please Note: TDLTP ceased operating in May 2019 and Devon County Council have ensured that the service continues by engaging a driver contractor on a temporary basis who has taken on the employment of the existing driver and part-time co-ordinator, offering reassurance and continuity for the scheme's regular users. DCC has also produced new leaflet flyers to help promote the revised service. This is a temporary arrangement until the current Judicial Review into Community Transport permits is concluded later this year. From then on, the Ring & Ride might be provided in a revised format but will still require partnership funding support to ensure its continuance.

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

C/O Karen Rose, Community Transport Adviser, Devon County Council
Transport Co-ordination Service, County Hall, Exeter EX2 4QD Tel: 01392 383000

3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

Door to door Ring & Ride minibus service for disabled, frail elderly and rurally isolated people to reach essential shopping where there are no public transport alternatives available to them. Passengers book to travel in advance and the bus collects them from their front door. The driver assists passengers onto the bus from their front door and helps to load/unload shopping from the bus as required. The vehicle is equipped with a lift to transport passengers using wheelchairs and for those passengers who cannot manage steps.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

£6,533 from WDBC towards operating costs of the service including vehicle, fuel, maintenance, administration costs including part-time bookings co-ordinator and professional driver.

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

The Ring & Ride service enables local people who cannot use standard local public transport to maintain their independence and make their own choices when shopping and using local amenities. They can remain in their own homes for longer, assisted by the access the Ring & Ride service offers them. Access to the Ring & Ride service also offers companionship and a chance to get out and about for those who would otherwise feel lonely and isolated.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

The Ring & Ride service aligns to the core purpose of ensuring that the most vulnerable local people are not excluded for reasons of age, infirmity, disability or geographic isolation and can have access to an easy to use service. The Ring & Ride promotes wellbeing, offering a safe reliable service to maintain involvement of elderly and disabled citizens in their local communities, shopping locally, making their own choices. The Ring & Ride minibus can pick up multiple passengers to travel together, taking the burden off individual car use and contributing to positive environmental factors. Otherwise isolated individuals form friendships by travelling together on the bus, building stronger community connections and supporting one another.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

Although provision of Community Transport is not a statutory duty of local authorities, the impact of its provision is to address issues of loneliness and isolation of the most vulnerable local people and ensure that they are not excluded from participating in community life. By helping vulnerable people to make their own choices and to maintain their independence, it reduces their reliance on other resources including social care. Without Ring & Ride, the passengers would be unable to use public transport and would not be able to participate in their community and would arguably be reliant on other statutory services.

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

Devon County Council provide an annual grant to the Ring & Ride service, currently £15,606. The scheme will receive an inflationary increase from DCC from time to time although not every year. Small grants have previously been received by Tavistock and District Local Transport Partnership from town and parish councils served by the bus.

Fares are also collected on the service although this contributes only a very small amount of income

TDLTP also operated a school contract and a social care journey, utilising the same vehicles as the Ring & Ride at different times of the day, which contributed to sharing the overall costs of the service.

In future years, the Partnership would require the same level of funding as currently from DCC and WDBC to continue operating a Ring & Ride service

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

Young Devon 1057949

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

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3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

We are a charity that has been supporting young people across Devon since 1949. Our team of 147 staff and 62 volunteers deliver services from fifteen sites across the county and our outreach programme supports young people in rural locations. Building quality relationships is at the centre of every service offered. We want to make a difference to young people's lives in four key areas. These include 'developing the skills to succeed', 'increasing access to help for mental health', 'improving the quality of accommodation' and 'making sure young people's voices are heard'. As a result our staff, volunteers and hosts ensure that each week 150 young people receive accommodation and homelessness support; 100 young people improve their mental health and 60 young people, who are victims of crime, receive mentoring support to deal with the trauma of crime. Our skills team support 140 young people to access employment and training.

This application for funding is to provide a counselling service for young people in Tavistock that can be accessed by young people from across West Devon. In the financial year 2018/19 we supported approximately 26 young people, providing 119 counselling sessions, other young people from West Devon accessed support over the telephone or at our Exeter base.

The specific service will ensure that young people and families have a range of ways of accessing support, including telephone, website and face to face. Young people will be given initial wellbeing telephone calls and assessment followed by 6 session's person centred counselling.

The service will also:

- Provide self-help resources and conversations via email and telephone
- Work in partnership with local GP surgery to have an easy to access appropriate setting.
- Engagement with other services where appropriate and strategies for young people's continued wellbeing.

The access pathways to the service are well established in the Tavistock community – via our free phone number, website or email.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

Young Devon received £2,500 from West Devon Borough Council in 2019/20

This funding pays for 1 counsellor working 5 hours a week in Abbey surgery supporting 4 young people

Alongside the service Young Devon also provides added value as part of the wider Young Devon offer and is not included as part of the funding from WDBC. The funding provided by WDBC only covers the wages of the counsellor in Tavistock.

Added Value includes:

- 2 hours management time – assessing cases, making appointments
- Clinical Supervision of the Counsellor – 2 hours per month (cost shared with other projects this counsellor works on)
- **Training and Development** professional practice through regular and on-going management, clinical supervision, training

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

80 % of young people come to us talking about experiencing Anxiety, this can impact their ability to cope with day to day life, and their relationships with anyone around them. Counselling gives them a space to be heard and talk about their feelings, thoughts and worries.

High quality counselling service

Support with young people

- We support young people with their mental health and help them to achieve in other areas of life. This year we have supported 12 young people who reported extreme anxiety around school and exams – our work gave them ways of coping with difficult emotions and going ahead with their exams. 2 of these young people left us to go on to university and 3 others coped were able to take their GCSEs and were pleased with their results. For others the counselling support has enabled them to keep going to school, where previously they felt unable to do so
- We have created a strong partnership with Abbey GP Surgery that provides a strong pathway for referrals but also efficient use of resources with a shared room.
- During the course of counselling each young person is assessed using the YP-CORE. This tool is able to monitor young people's progression and emotional distance travelled in specific areas. We are also able to identify the value of our service with 79% of young people reporting improvements in their mental health.
- Young Devon has a clearly defined complaints procedure (available upon request). In the event of a complaint being made the Counselling Coordinator will ensure this procedure is carried out
- Young Devon has Professional Indemnity Insurance that covers the counsellors' practice
- All counsellors are appointed subject to a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service check (enhanced level)
- In making referrals to other agencies, the Counsellor is bound by the Young Devon safeguarding policy (available upon request). This includes the requirement for the counsellor to identify and report possible cases of significant risk of harm to children and young people originating from any disclosures. This will include disclosures relating to alleged physical, emotional and/or sexual abuse and/or neglect from self or other and override any confidentiality agreement made between counsellor and the young person.
- For all non-urgent referrals to CAMHS; the Counsellor will make a referral to CAMHS using the local referral pathway.
- Our Counsellors work to the national BACP (British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy) standards.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

Meeting the Wellbeing needs of local people

- Enabling local young people greater access to counselling and mental health support without having to travel out of the district.
- Counselling provides young people with the ability to discuss their challenges, identify coping strategies and ways forward that enable them to achieve in other areas of their life and in their community.
- Often parents contact in crisis not knowing how best to help their child, we are able to provide strategies and signpost to specific help for parents as well as giving them a way of accessing support for their child.
- Young People's mental health is a massive national challenge, we work in partnership with the council, schools, GPs and other local organisations to respond to this issue.
- Devon has above the national average for young people between the ages of 10 – 24 years being admitted to hospital as a result of self-harm in addition the above average admissions for Mental Health conditions

- Our Counselling service is well regarded (with excellent feedback and outcomes for young people) but within West Devon but also across the wider county.

Value for money

- Young Devon provides wider services than commissioned with the counselling service through the added value of Young Devon's wider resource.
- By piggy backing on the wider Service **Tavistock council are achieving clear value for money.** As a standalone service this would cost a minimum of 5k.
- Through the GP surgery accommodating this service for no cost this **partnership working** is offering **mutual benefit.**

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

Mental Health – As a service we work with young people from initial early mental health worries to sustained issues where we are working in partnership with CAMHS around issues of suicidal feelings or self harm. We provide a self referral service where any young person can access information or support.

Homelessness – the number one reason for young people being at risk of homelessness is through challenged family relationships. This can be as a result of young people struggling to understand why they feel or behave the way they do. Through counselling young people get an opportunity to learn new coping strategies and gain an understanding of why they are feeling the way they do. Helping them to communicate this to their families and also learning to manage their relationships with the people they live with.

Crime and disorder Many of the young people that access our counselling service have experienced the impact of crime. Young Devon provide a specifically skilled staff who are adept at working with the emotional impact of crime and supporting these young people to overcome the impacts they have experienced and to reclaim and progress in their life. If young people get the opportunity to understand themselves and their reactions better they have an increased emotional and social intelligence.

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

Young Devon had a turnover of £ 3,790,865 in 2018-19. Of that total 85% is spent on delivery of the services that meet our strategic objectives and only 15% is spent on management and oversight.

This revenue ensures that each week we can provide:

Skills: We help young people develop the skills they need to succeed. **Impact:** In any one week 60 young people take part in courses and 80 get mentoring support to access employment and training.

Wellbeing: We increase access for young people to get support with mental health. **Impact:** In any one week 100 young people improve their mental health and, in partnership with the police, 60 young people, who are victims of crime, receive mentoring support.

Accommodation: We work to improve the quality of accommodation for young people. **Impact:** In any one week we provide long term and homeless support for 150 young people.

Voice: We ensure that young people get their voice heard. **Impact:** In any one week 25 young people help shape and co-design services for the benefit of others.

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:**HEART OF THE SOUTH WEST LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP (HotSW LEP)**

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2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

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3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:**(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)**

The Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership – covering Devon, Plymouth, Somerset and Torbay – is one of the 38 LEPs in England. Local Enterprise Partnerships are voluntary partnerships between local authorities, education organisations and businesses to help determine local economic priorities and lead on productivity and prosperity growth within their local area.

Thus, we are a business-led strategic partnership between the private sector, local authorities, universities and colleges. Our vision is to create a dynamic, highly prosperous region with high living standards and an outstanding quality of life; and our mission is to raise productivity and ensure prosperity for all. As a thought leader influencing economic development, the LEP aims to deliver a transformational rise in productivity; step change in strategic connectivity; raised productivity through inclusive growth; and natural capital that surpasses our current levels.

What we do -

- **Identify common priorities**
- **Attract resources and investment**
- **Make a difference to productivity and prosperity**

Background: A thorough analysis of the opportunities for economic prosperity in the Heart of the South West were presented in the Strategic Economic Plan (SEP) published in 2014 which set out the rationale to generate growth and attract inward investment from business and UK and EU government. Building upon the SEP; the LEP and the Heart of the South West Joint Committee published the Productivity Strategy in 2018, and in 2019 the LEP is working on its Local Industrial Strategy which will align with the Government's National Industrial Strategy.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

£5,000 per annum.

NB each District Authority in the HotSW area contributes £5k per annum towards the LEP's partnership working activities.

The money is spent on assisting the LEP with partnership working with and supporting of, the relationships with the 12 District Councils in the HotSW LEP area. For example:

- Yearly; or more often, the LEP's CEX and Partnerships Manager visit each District – usually the Leader, Chief Executive and Economic Portfolio Holders, plus key Officers – discussing the priorities for that District and any issues that the District may have.
- The LEP's CEX and other Officers are available to support the District in the most appropriate and feasible way and in agreement with that District.
- The Partnerships Manager has the majority of their job description allocated to support the 12 Districts and the key business groups, and this provides a named contact for the Districts.
- Districts receive regular communications from the LEP and have an easy access channel to the LEP.

- This year there were a large number of new councillors joining their District Councils and to help our Districts with the induction process, we produced an in-house video aimed at new councillors and to explain about the LEP.
<https://heartofswlep.co.uk/about-the-lep/>

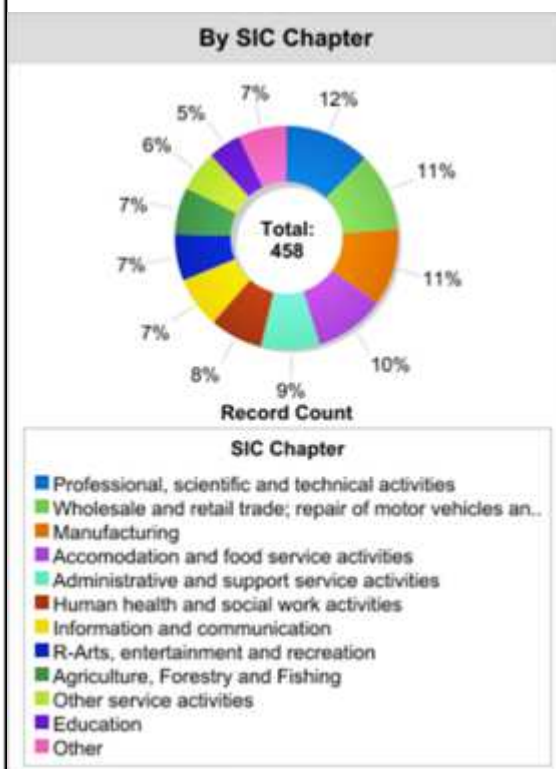
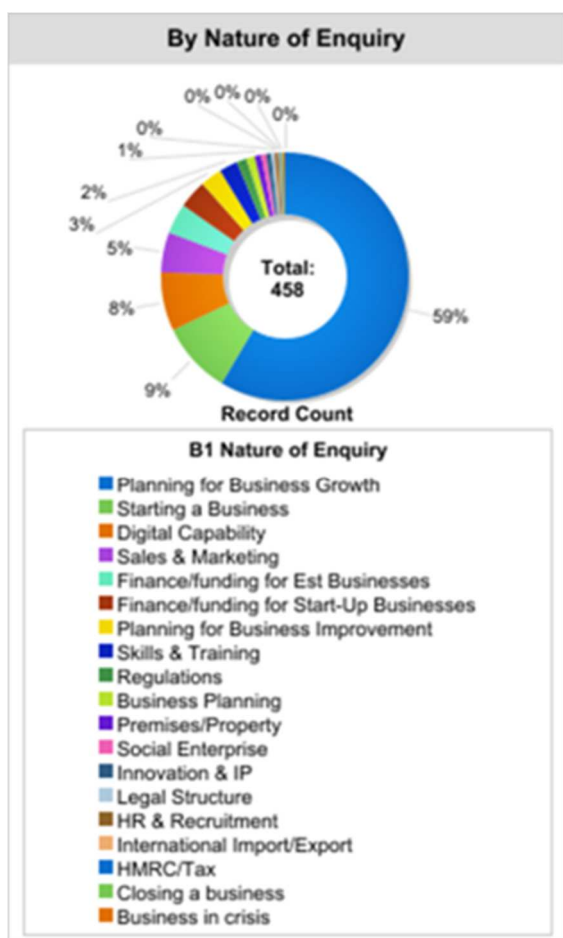
Please note that the LEP has a small core team of 10 staff and works virtually / with no offices – to remain fleet of foot, flexible and lean. It works closely with its partners (usually the Local Authorities) who deliver the various strategic projects across the area.

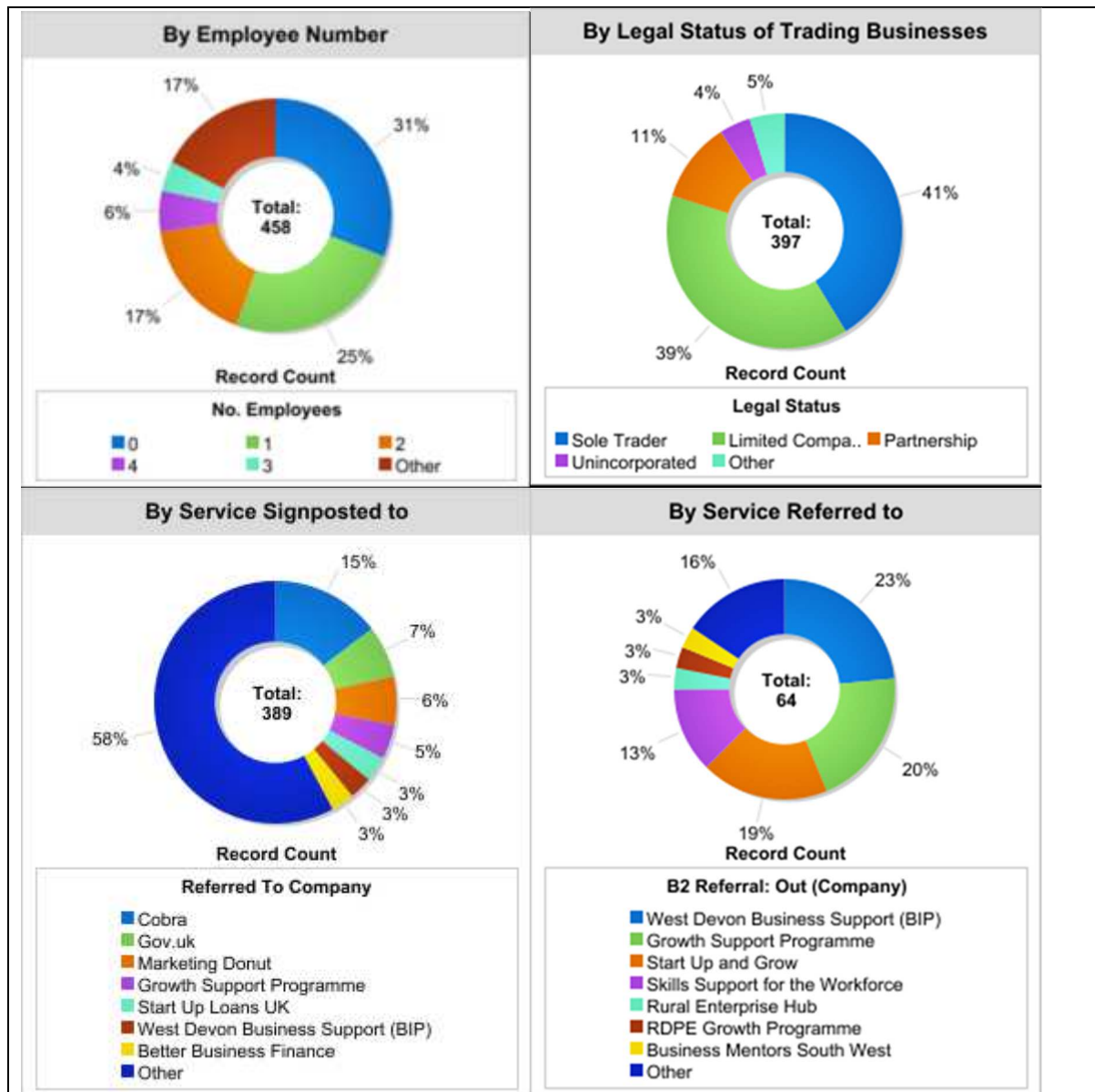
5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

The LEP works at a strategic level for the benefit of the HotSW area – getting as much govt. and other funding as it can for projects in our area. Where we can, we also support our Districts and others in their bids for external funding activities or bring opportunities to their attention. Our work with local and national govt. also aims to ensure that as much European funding as possible is used to support the communities in the HotSW.

For example, our Growth Hub service is the free signposting service for all businesses - to help them access business support services. It helps link businesses to the European funded and other publicly funded projects in our area.

Below is the latest West Devon update from the Growth Hub; which is regularly sent to your Officers, about the help provided to businesses in the West Devon area and the type of support they received.





6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

The work of the LEP is managed in a way as to support; where ever it can, the Economic Development strategies of all our key partners - the 4 County and Unitary Authorities, 12 District Authorities, 4 Universities and the 10 FE colleges across Devon, Plymouth, Somerset and Torbay.

The work of the LEP is done in conjunction with the Joint Committee; of which West Devon is a member, and the Devon Districts also have a place on the LEP Board. Thus, our work will in part be influenced by and aligned with West Devon's six corporate strategy themes at any one time.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

Local Enterprise Partnerships are voluntary partnerships between local authorities, education organisations and businesses to help determine local economic priorities and lead on productivity and prosperity growth within their local area. Our LEP is constituted as a Community Interest Company (a corporate body); it enters into agreements and holds funds via an accountable local authority which acts on its behalf. The accountable local authority for our LEP is Somerset County Council (and Devon County Council for Growing Places Funding).

The Heart of the South West LEP operates within an Assurance Framework which sets out its governance arrangements, policies and protocols, and the relationship with the accountable local authority including management of funding. This can be downloaded from our website, along with other relevant policies. <https://heartofswlep.co.uk/policies/>

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

Please find below our accounts from our website and that are in the public domain.

<https://heartofswlep.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/LEP-Budgets-18-19.pdf>

The LEP manages just under 70 strategic projects across the HotSW area, which total around £3/4 billion and the list of all our projects is here <https://heartofswlep.co.uk/projects/>

Core operations budget - 2018/19	
<u>Income for Operations</u>	
Area Contributions	170,000
Additional Area Contributions	750,000
Government Grant	500,000
Interest	150,000
Total Income	1,570,000
<u>Expenditure on Operations</u>	
Core Staff	503,600
Service Level Agreements	591,500
Overheads	40,000
Events	40,000
Marketing & Comms	60,000
Research and Strategy	85,000
Clusters and LIS	115,000
Governance	31,750
Third party charges including programmes	220,000
Total Expenditure	1,686,850
Utilisation of reserves	116,850

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

Tamar Estuaries Consultative Forum

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

Kaja Curry, National Infrastructure Office and TECF Coordinator

3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

BACKGROUND

The Tamar Valley is the largest estuarine system in the South-West of England, supporting a 400,000ha catchment, plus a large recreational community. There are over twenty boat yards, six international marinas, a Royal Naval dockyard with a nuclear capacity, three commercial harbour authorities, two IFCA's and five local authorities. With a total of 15 competent authorities, the site is relatively complicated with a broad spectrum of stakeholders who collectively need to manage the marine environment.

The waters of Plymouth Sound and the Tamar Estuaries are classified as Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) through their designation under European and national legislation as:

- Plymouth Sound and Estuaries Special Area of Conservation
- Tamar Estuaries Complex Special Protection Area
- Tamar Estuaries Marine Conservation Zone

These designations reflect the importance of the vibrant and varied marine wildlife to be found within Plymouth Sound and the Tamar Estuaries and particularly recognises features such as the saltmarsh, reedbeds, tidal waters, rocky reefs and kelp beds and their significance for supporting all manner of wildlife including many fish and migratory birds.

The European Marine Site covers the Plymouth Sound area, as well as the estuarine reaches of four rivers; the Tamar, the Lynher, the Tavy, and the Yealm. The site crosses the county line of Devon and Cornwall.

These waters continue to face challenges and pressures which experience has taught us, are best tackled through the joint management and collaborative approach that TECF provides. Challenges such as managing invasive species, managing marine recreation and in particular moorings, and also raising awareness and understanding of the importance and significance of the waters are just some of the challenges which have been addressed through TECF during previous years' work.

Effective management for estuarine waters is particularly complicated, with no single statutory body being responsible for everything. Instead there is a series of overlapping responsibilities which requires everyone to work together. Therefore, whilst it may be the Ministry of Defence who are the harbour authority for much of the waters, they do not have any powers over where access and waterfront land is developed. Similarly, the local authorities have responsibilities that extend down to low water for planning and access provision, whilst the Marine Management Organisation is responsible for planning matters below high water.

Under European and national legislation, each competent authority is required to ensure that every decision they make relating to plans or projects has regard to the European Marine Site and is properly assessed under the Habitat Regulations through a process called the Habitat Regulations Assessment. For a local authority this includes all planning consents and supporting planning documents, recreational plans and tourism plans as well as proposals on or next to the water.

The Tamar Estuaries Consultative Forum therefore exists to bring all the Competent Authorities together to deliver coordinated management in line with best practice as developed across Europe and supported nationally. This best practice states that whilst there does not need to be a management plan for the site, but if there is, then there should be just the one document which brings the actions of all the competent authorities together

in an integrated fashion. The Tamar Estuaries Management Plan provides that single focus for coordinated management.

SERVICE PROVISION

Tamar Estuaries Consultative Forum was established in the early 1990s and brings together 15 of the Competent Authorities to deliver one vision of 'a sustainable future for the Plymouth Sound and Estuaries'. The Queens Harbour Master provides the chair and secretariat whilst Plymouth City Council hosts the service which includes dedicated officer time and project delivery.

Membership consists of the five local authorities (Cornwall Council, Plymouth City Council, Devon County Council, West Devon Borough Council and South Hams District Council); four harbour authorities (QHM, Cattewater Harbour Commissioners, Sutton Harbour and ABP); Marine Management Organisation, Cornwall Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (IFCA) and the Devon and Severn IFCA; Natural England, Environment Agency and the Duchy of Cornwall. Other competent authorities are also included as and when necessary.

In addition to the TECF group, there is also the **Port of Plymouth Marine Liaison Committee (PPMLC)** which brings together representatives of over 120 different water user groups from within the area and this group also meets three times a year and provides the valuable feedback loop for effective management of the water. This enables for example discussions to take place between mooring holders and QHM about water safety, security and speeding and as such is vital for addressing issues on the water.

To give a flavour of the kind of work provided through TECF, the following is a list of achievements from the last couple of years:

- **Rebranding** as Marine Protected Area (MPA) with simplified messaging to avoid confusion over numerous designations.
- Input into the proposal for a **National Marine Park** which will provide an even stronger focus for the significance of the marine environment and how best to protect it.
- Commencement of replacement programme for the **information panels** featuring an all new design and format including at Bere Ferrers.
- Launch of **new website** with increased functionality and content highlighting the MPA. (<http://www.plymouth-mpa.uk>)
- In partnership with Natural England, a **video** showcasing the Marine Protected Area was launched (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=19Rm0HQVj6A>). This has already been watched 100s of times and has even been played in DEFRA's foyer area.
- Completion and launch of the Tamar Estuaries **Biosecurity Plan** for invasive non-native species (INNS). INNS pose a critical risk to the Tamar Estuaries so TECF is proud to have been one of the first ports to have a plan in place with the support of Natural England.
- **Coordination of the 15 Relevant Authorities** that are in some way responsible for the management of the waters of Plymouth Sound and Tamar Estuaries through the TECF meetings;
- Delivering coordination of the 34 representatives of the **stakeholder groups** through the Port of Plymouth Liaison Committee to ensure coordinated management;
- Providing the **specialist knowledge** on marine recreation, providing the central point of contact;
- **Delivering improved water safety** by closer working with the RNLI which has enabled the deployment of life-jacket lockers at key locations with more planned;
- Supporting the Queens Harbour Master and Natural England in recreational management and in particular through **mooring management**. This has included

the submission of a multi million euro project for European funding which will develop more eco-friendly moorings.

- **Coordinating and delivering** the TECF Management Plan 2013-2020 including monitoring.
- **Delivering Year 2 of the 3 year Marine Recreational Impacts Project** – a £250,000 project to ensure sustainable marine recreation over three years as a result of Plymouth’s development.
- Under the **Duty to Cooperate**, providing the specialist marine input into the Habitat Regulations Assessment of the Joint Local Plan and in particular the section on marine recreational impacts.
- Devising the single **Recreation Mitigation Plan**, identifying the costings and developing the funding mechanism on behalf of Plymouth City Council, West Devon Borough Council, South Hams District Council and Cornwall Council. This work is nearly complete and will be adopted in 2019-20 through a Supplementary Planning Document.
- implementing the emerging **national guidance** on marine protected area management for example interpreting the implications of recent relevant cases from the European Court of Justice such as the ‘Wind over People’ case and the implications on our waters.
- Continuing to provide a coordinating input into the various iterations of the **South West Marine Plan**.
- overseeing the **recreation usage surveys** and habitat regulations assessment required for the local plans for each of the local authorities including the introduction of new templates to enable more efficient input.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

Funding is collected from partners in line with the table below:

ORGANISATION	2018/19 (for info)	2019/20 (+2.75% CPI)	2020/21 (+2.75% CPI)	2021/22 (+2.75% CPI)
CPI Rate:	2.75			
Harbour Authorities				
Ministry of Defence, QHM	3,000	3,083	3,167	3,254
Associated British Ports	2,000	2,055	2,112	2,170
Cattewater Harbour Commission	9,000	9,248	9,502	9,763
Sutton Harbour Commission	2,000	2,055	2,112	2,170
Harbour Authorities Subtotal	16,000	16,440	16,892	17,357
Local Authorities				
Plymouth City Council	10,000	10,275	10,558	10,848
Devon County Council	2,000	2,055	2,112	2,170
Cornwall Council	2,000	2,055	2,112	2,170
West Devon Borough Council	4,500	4,624	4,751	4,882
South Hams District Council	4,500	4,624	4,751	4,882
Subtotal	23,000	23,633	24,282	24,950
Other				
Natural England	1,000	1,028	1,056	1,085
Duchy of Cornwall	4,375	4,495	4,619	4,746

Non funding partners				
Environment Agency, Devon and Severn IFCA, Cornwall IFCA, MMO, Historic England.				
Other total	5,375	5,523	5,675	5,831
Grand Total	44,375	45,595	46,849	48,138

This is sufficient to fund 80% of an I Grade officer and 20% of a E Grade officer including staff on costs, along with a very small travelling and expenditure budget of less than £4,000.

Local Authorities contribute 50% of the funding, Harbour Authorities 40% with Natural England and Duchy of Cornwall the remainder.

Devon County Council's contribution is low as it is recognised that it is not a local planning authority and as such has a limited role to play as a Relevant Authority.

Cornwall Council contribute a similar level to the Devon district councils. This reflects the fact that whilst it is a statutory planning authority, the numbers of dwellings identified through the local plan are still relatively limited in number.

Plymouth City Council contributes the most of the local authorities as most of the changes in impacts and pressures arise from within the City given its concentration of population.

The harbour authorities provide a collective contribution of 40%.

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

The services TECF provides meet local need by

- ensuring that the waterfront communities of West Devon Borough Council can continue to make the most of its estuarine waters;
- by ensuring that the authority is legally compliant;
- and that its actions contribute to the sustainable management of the Tamar Estuaries.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

The service delivered through TECF aligns to the Council's corporate strategy by:

- **Providing value for money;** marine work is a specialist field and previous research has shown that by working collaboratively in this way, with all authorities pooling contributions to secure the marine specialism, saves the council many thousands of pounds every year compared to if it worked in isolation, buying in the service when needed.
- **By working with partners:** marine management requires collaboration which is delivered through TECF.
- **By protecting the environment:** delivering a single management plan for the environmentally important waters of Plymouth Sound and the Tamar Estuaries.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

In 2012, DEFRA issued a guidance note on the duties of public authorities in relation to Marine Protected Area (MPA) management and this is appended.

The note identifies the role that each public body has in relation to Marine Protected Areas, and in particular for local authorities identifies that they are responsible for management of development down to Low Water Mark, management of recreation activities within their area, planning interface between marine and terrestrial, coastal defences, and strategic planning and beach management and maintenance and waste management.

It goes onto set out the statutory duties of authorities in relation to the European Marine Site, Marine Conservation Zones as well as the wider biodiversity duties accorded under Section 40 of the NERC Act 2006.

Finally it sets out the benefits of a coordinated management approach for complex sites such as that of the Plymouth Sound and Tamar Estuaries by stating;

“On sites with many features, or sites regulated by lots of public authorities, developing management schemes has been particularly useful in coordinating management for activities that are not subject to a specific consent regime or may be managed by multiple authorities. Other benefits include facilitating co-ordinated monitoring, agreeing priorities and actions, and delivering wider benefits such as public awareness of the site¹. Experience has indicated that management groups of public authorities are generally effective in coordinating management and giving public authorities a better shared understanding and holistic view of the site. In addition, many coastal EMS have advisory groups of stakeholders that feed information and advice into the management group.”

Experience has shown that it is cheaper for the eleven contributing partners to continue to contribute to a single coordinating body than it is for each to deliver independently. It is not simply a matter of delivering projects, but also maintaining the information systems, GIS data and access to the evidence reports that underpin the advice and information that TECF provides. It is therefore more important than ever that we continue to work together to deliver integrated management for the waters of Plymouth Sound and Tamar Estuaries.

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

This is covered in section 4 above.

1.NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

Tamar Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

Tim Dart – 01822 835037 tdart@tamarvalley.org.uk

3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

- 1) The primary purpose of AONB designation is to conserve and enhance natural beauty.
- 2) In pursuing the primary purpose, account should be taken of the needs of agriculture forestry, other rural industries and of the economic and social needs of local communities. Particular regard should be paid to promoting sustainable forms of social and economic development that in themselves conserve and enhance the environment.
- 3) Recreation is not an objective of designation, but demand for recreation should be met so far as this is consistent with the conservation of natural beauty and the needs of agriculture, forestry and other uses.

That said: The AONB gets involved and supports a broad range of project activity, some related to socio economic development, working with businesses and land owners, especially those in the sustainable tourism sector.

The AONB unit also works with a range of voluntary and community groups and meeting community needs, who support and provide opportunities for developing health and well being, sustainable transport, sustainable energy opportunities, habitat creation, enhancement and maintenance, as well as protecting and enhancing the physical and cultural heritage of the area.

The Glover Review (a review sponsored by Government of Protected landscapes) has now formally reported to the Secretary of State for the Environment Food and Rural Affairs. This review includes a range of 27 proposals and changes to (Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONBs) (including changing the name to National Landscapes). The proposals include a significant change in the purposes and funding levels to current AONB's. Whilst these remain proposals to the Secretary of State, there has been no response made as to what changes have been accepted and what will be adopted.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

2019/20 WDBC contributions of £8,835

This goes into the core funding of the AONB unit and accounts for 3.4% of our core funding and secures a multiplier of 3 times that from Defra. The total budget for the AONB unit is £243,634 this financial year. This is a combination of other local authority funding and 75% from Defra.

The money is therefore best explained by apportioning the annual budget pro-rata

£209 K or 87% is staff costs.

£23 K or 10 % on office costs

£3 K or 1 % on print and publicity

£5 K or 2 % on Sustainable Development Fund (small community grant scheme).

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

The Tamar Valley AONB unit seeks to promote and enhance the area, supporting and building community groups, assisting sustainable businesses and promoting good practice. More detail available in our Management Plan – summary document to be found at the link below.

<http://www.tamarvalley.org.uk/care/aonb-management-plan/>

The Tamar Valley AONB also played an active role in the mining heritage project which led to the development of the Tamar Trails and further enhancements at Morwellham Quay and the opening up of the economic, social and health and well being and educational opportunities that they provide.

The AONB also provide guidance on planning applications in the Tamar Valley area to the planning officers within relevant local authorities and when resource permits support with Neighbourhood Development Plans and on topics such as climate change adaptation.

The AONB was instrumental in the creation and development of the Tamar Valley Discovery Trail which runs from Tamerton Foliot to Launceston. This provides opportunities for local people to enjoy the beauty of the local area. It also generates local benefits to local business to gain benefit from visitors to the area. The Tamar Valley AONB unit is now working on the extension of the TVDT route to connect Launceston to the North coast of Cornwall to make a circular route.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

The Tamar Valley has a strong cultural identity that transcends political and administrative boundaries of the Local Authorities that exist in the valley and this gives the area a unique character. The communities and cultures have shaped the AONB landscape and this is embodied within the historic environment of the Valley.

Through various projects, such as research into the market gardening industry, historic daffodils, mining and other aspects of our rich heritage, the AONB has helped to rekindle the strong cultural identity of the area. Drawn to the Valley has a growing role in the creative response to the Valley landscape and heritage. Heritage Lottery funded projects including the two-year Helping Hands for Heritage programme and the one-year Heralds of Spring project have continued to provide opportunities to both engage with communities and to gain useful knowledge about the assets of the Tamar Valley which can inform the management of the AONB in the future.

The AONB were successful in securing funding for the development of the Tamar Valley Discovery Trail and for more modest projects including the Connecting Actively to Nature programme, to deliver a series of healthy walks in and around Bere Alston. These walks have proved to be very popular and the benefits have not only been physical. There have been many positive social outcomes too. The AONB's Sustainable Development Fund (SDF) continues to provide support to a wide range of community projects across the AONB

Conserving and enhancing a sustainable and functioning landscape, balanced between community, economy and environment, is one of the biggest challenges for the AONB Partnership both within the AONB and in neighbouring areas including Plymouth. The development stage of the Tamara Landscape Partnership provides an excellent opportunity to undertake some key work around connecting communities with the Tamar Valley and the cultural roots that make it special. Communities are constantly changing, and with support and encouragement they can actively plan for the future to meet their needs and cherish their heritage.

There is huge scope to increase the public's enjoyment of this unique resource, particularly with the increased focus on outdoor learning and the role the outdoors plays in positive health and wellbeing. The development phase of the Tamara Landscape Partnership will also provide opportunities to support communities and explore post-Brexit economic options with a range of sectors across the AONB and beyond.

Ensuring that the Tamar Valley reaches its economic and social potential, alongside conserving, protecting and enhancing the landscape, is a complex challenge for the AONB Partnership, and to achieve this it is important to engage and educate as wide an audience as possible within the AONB, to build understanding and awareness of the forces for change, and to encourage debate regarding options and solutions.

The TVAONB has also been in a 20+ year project tackling invasive species in the valley, virtually eradicating Giant hogweed from the river. We have also been involved in Cordialle (Interreg funded) project on hedgerow management. We have also had landscape scale habitat enhancements working in partnership with others (catchment partnerships Devon Greater Horseshoe Bat project etc.) Tamara Landscape Partnership provides great scope for partners to work together to make a huge difference across the AONB and the surrounding areas in a post-Brexit era. The emphasis will be on a bigger, better and more joined-up approach to delivering habitat, heritage and landscape enhancements, where working in partnership with a range of organisations, landowners and communities can help to secure positive outcomes for biodiversity in the Tamar Valley. The long-term legacy will play a vital role in realising a robust, diverse and wildlife-rich landscape for years to come

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

Statutory duties in relation to AONBs are provided for in Section 85 of the Countryside and Rights of Way (CROW) Act 2000. Specifically, the Act states that, "in exercising or performing any functions in relation to, or so as to affect, land in these areas, relevant authorities (which includes the constituent Local Authorities) "shall have regard" to their purposes". Sections 88 and 89 of the Act state that each Local Authority shall prepare and publish a Management Plan for their AONB which should then be reviewed at intervals of no more than five years. Management Plans are adopted statutory policy of the Local Authority(s).

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

We are budgeted to receive £193,293 from Defra this year (we can only claim this providing that we are able to provide evidence of the 25% match from local authorities). The Defra grant can only be a maximum of 75% of our funding.

In addition to the £8,835 we are expecting from WDBC:

Cornwall Council £28,926

Devon County Council £12,000

South Hams District Council £580

This actually means at the moment that the Tamar Valley AONB has a budgeted cash shortfall of £14,090 of Local Authority match funding necessary to draw down the available Defra grant.

1. NAME OF ORGANISATION AND CHARITY NUMBER IF APPLICABLE:

Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site Partnership Board

2. LEAD CONTACT NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS:

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3. SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR ORGANISATION:

(A brief summary of all services and bullet points will suffice)

The Partnership is the Steering Group for the World Heritage Site, and membership comprises the three principal Local Authorities within whose areas the WHS sits - Cornwall, Devon County and West Devon Borough Councils - plus the National Trust, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and nominees from the Devon and Cornwall Associations of Local Councils.

The principal governing instrument is the UNESCO Convention on the Protection of World Natural and Cultural Heritage (World Heritage Convention), to which the UK Government is a signatory State Party. The Steering Group co-ordinates action to deliver the Convention's goals on behalf of the Department for Culture Media and Sport. The World Heritage Convention has four key obligations for WHS's - **Protect, Conserve, Present** and **Transmit**. Successful management is reliant upon member Local Authorities and related agencies taking strategic, collaborative action to address the obligations.

There is a close fit between UNESCO's goals and a wide range of local government purposes. Since inscription the Partnership Board has integrated partner organisations' goals with its **Management Plan** priorities. The Plan is currently being reviewed, and proposed strategic actions will address West Devon Borough Council's corporate strategy themes of Communities, Wellbeing, Environment and Enterprise. The Plan will be focussed on delivering the UN Sustainable Development Goals, and the Carbon Reduction Action Plans of constituent Authorities, and the core UNESCO purposes will be pursued within that framework.

Protection is delivered via the Planning system, and to support partner Local Planning Authorities to deliver this the Partnership has produced a **Supplementary Planning Document** to guide decision making. This sets out how the UK planning system can deliver UNESCO's requirements by enabling sustainable development, in line with NPPF and the Joint Local Plan. The Partnership has also developed a specialist training course for planning officers and members, which was delivered to West Devon Borough Council staff in July 2019.

Conservation & Heritage led regeneration - The Partnership has been instrumental in attracting substantial funding for the conservation of monuments and also the regeneration of our towns and villages. To date over **£92m** investment has been drawn in to former mining communities across all ten WHS Areas. Current projects in this category in West Devon include:

- Support for the Lottery application for the Tavistock Guildhall Project, for which the Partnership provided match funding of £10k
- The review of the Tavistock Conservation Area Management Plan, for which the Partnership provided grant funding of £5k to enable West Devon Borough Council to secure specialist staff capacity to undertake this.

Presentation - is about communicating why our places are so special and the stories of the people that made them, so it integrates closely with regeneration and also takes in **tourism, cultural event programming** and **supporting local businesses** to engage with the **Cornish Mining WHS brand**. Projects include Discover the Extraordinary <https://vimeo.com/117542375>, which delivered **20% average increase** in partner tourism businesses' customer spend, and inspiring the Tenth Anniversary cultural events programme, which culminated with the launch of the Man Engine in Tavistock in July 2016, which generated a **media reach of 136m people** across the world for the town.

Transmission - in UNESCO terms this means passing on all this for future generations, so brings an **education** element to the preservation, conservation and presentation activities. The WHS Learning Strategy links learning with cultural programming, and individual conservation and regeneration projects incorporate learning and community engagement outcomes. In addition to including West Devon communities in its strategic programming, the Partnership provided a grant of £10k for a specific heritage learning project for Tavistock in 2018.

4. AMOUNT (£) OF FUNDING RECEIVED FROM WEST DEVON BOROUGH COUNCIL IN 2019/20 AND DETAILS ON WHAT IT IS SPENT ON:

West Devon BC contribute £4k per annum to the total project delivery budget for the WHS of £43k per annum.

This is invested in an annual work programme, agreed by all three Local Authorities, for projects that deliver the World Heritage Convention objectives. Many of these also attract further external grant aid or contributions, enhancing the value of the core budget.

The work programme addresses those strategic objectives that the Partnership Board need to pursue in order to meet the requirements of the World Heritage Convention. It flows from the Management Plan, and the projects put forward meet one or more of a number of criteria;

- Critical path – projects which need to be undertaken first as they inform or influence other work and fundraising
- Legacy projects – which build on the evaluation of previous work, such as Discover the Extraordinary
- Economic and social contributions – derived from the requirements of the WH Convention, projects which also contribute to regeneration
- Public demand – projects which were highlighted during consultation for the Management Plan review
- “Mission critical” – projects which directly influence the retention of WH status

The programme reflects the core priorities as agreed by the WHS Partnership Board. A copy of the 2019/20 work programme is attached

5. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET THE NEEDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE?

The World Heritage Convention objectives are designed to support local communities to benefit from, and become involved in the management of, their internationally significant heritage assets.

At a local level, our projects, as proposed in the Management Plan, are designed in consultation with Partnership member organisations, including West Devon BC staff and members, and informed by an evidence base and monitoring data gathered from them. Our work programme is thereby guided by local community definition of needs and priorities.

We also liaise with Parish and Town Councils that are drafting Neighbourhood Development Plans, to enable them to incorporate opportunities arising from WHS status in their proposals.

The Plan and proposed projects are submitted for public consultation before it is adopted.

6. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) ALIGN TO THE COUNCIL'S CORPORATE STRATEGY?

WHS Protection, Conservation and Heritage led regeneration align with WDBC's corporate priorities on the Environment, Enterprise and Communities by creating sustainable places to live and work, in an enhanced environment that attracts inward capital investment, and is also a draw for visitors.

WHS Presentation and Transmission activities, such as cultural events and educational activities, contribute to vibrant communities, which express a strong sense of place, support healthy lifestyles and mental wellbeing, and raise awareness of Tavistock and the Tamar Valley as a destination of international quality.

7. HOW DO YOUR SERVICE(S) MEET STATUTORY DUTY?

The principal governing instrument is the UNESCO Convention on the Protection of World Natural and Cultural Heritage (World Heritage Convention).

The UK Government is a signatory State to this international Convention. The Steering Group co-ordinates action to deliver the Convention's goals on behalf of the responsible Government Department – the Dept for Digital, Culture Media and Sport.

As such the Partnership enables West Devon Borough Council to demonstrate to DCMS, and through them to UNESCO, how it meets the obligations and opportunities afforded by the Convention to enhance the lives of the people who live in and around the WHS.

8. WHAT OTHER INCOME/FUNDING DO YOU RECEIVE AND HOW DO YOU SPEND IT?

Project Budget

Authority	2019/20
Devon	£ 25,000
West Devon	£ 4,000
Cornwall	£ 14,000

In addition, Cornwall Council, as the Lead Partner, funds establishment costs and the WHS team of **4.5 fte posts**;

- Co-ordinator
- Research and Information Officer
- Planning Advice officer
- Marketing and Business Development Officer
- Admin Officer

The net annual revenue budget is £209k.

WHS work Programme 2019/20

Programme	Budget	Proposed project	Rationale	Lead
<i>Interactive SPD and info tools for members, developers, etc</i>	<i>(£ 6k)</i>	<i>Interactive process flow chart for SPD and website</i>	<i>Consultation feedback</i>	<i>WHS Planning Advice Officer</i>
Income generation strategy	£30k	Match funding for new website – HLF bid (plus other investment required TBC on completion of strategy)	Fundraising (<i>& cross supports all other areas of work</i>)	Marketing and Business Development Officer
Management Plan review	£10k	Draft, design & print and consultation costs	UNESCO requirement	Co-ordinator

Research programme & related grants	£5k	UK Diaspora research	WH core objective	Research & Info Officer
Events and PR	£25k	Cultural events <i>(NB already committed -£12k Heartlands & Tavistock event Aug 2019)</i>	WH core objective/Socio-economic contribution	Marketing and Business Development Officer Co-ordinator
Support for initiatives arising from Learning Strategy Review	£25k	Learning and volunteering study <i>(links to conservation)</i>	WH core objective	Co-ordinator
Support for priority Mgt Plan conservation projects	£ 5k	Partners' projects	WH core objective	Co-ordinator & Research & Info Officer
Support for implementation of Interpretation strategy	£10k	Partners' projects	WH core objective	Co-ordinator
Total	£116k			