AGENDA ITEM NO 8

TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET AND POLICY COMMITTEE TUESDAY 30th AUGUST 2022

BRIEFING NOTE REQUEST RE WYNNE MAP

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Wynne Map is a map of certain of the holdings of the Dukes of Bedford circa 1752 (alongside some other estate documents) which form a historic resource that pre-date the C19 improvements to the Town.
- 1.2 It was subject to a digital restoration project involving Awards for All, the Tamar Valley Service and Tavistock Forward in 2009.

2.THE CURRENT SITUATION

2.1 The copyright is held by the Town Council which is why the accompanying request from Tavistock Heritage Trust (Appendix 1) to share with the National Library of Scotland has been made to it.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 In the circumstances the sharing of a historic resource for informative purposes appears not unreasonable.
- 3.2 In relation to the related matter of copyright and potential for commercial profits to be made by users it is suggested that the prudent approach would be for the Council to:-
 - indicate its support, in principle, for the request, but
 - reserve its position as to whether/how to proceed pending clarification, from the National Library of Scotland, of the options available in respect of copyright protection.
- 3.3 The instructions of the Committee and Council are sought.

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