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A PROSPEROUS NEW FUTURE BECKONS EXHIBITION VISITORS

MAJOR discussions are set to begin on Tuesday, December 7, when an exhibition opens inviting public comment on Hayle Townscape and Hayle Harbour proposals.

The exhibition at John Harvey House, 24 Foundry Square, marks the start of discussions with local people about proposals for massive investment to restore, protect and enhance historic Hayle, paving the way for a vibrant and more prosperous future.

Initial displays for the long-awaited harbour redevelopment will be on show in one area of the newly-restored building, while another will feature Hayle Townscape displays for work on prominent buildings, public areas, new landscaping and street furniture.

Together, the harbour redevelopment and the £4.1 million Hayle Townscape initiative will drive a new era of investment and business confidence, returning redundant and under-used sites and premises to economic uses with the potential to create and safeguard hundreds of jobs.

Exhibition opening hours will be 1 pm to 6.30 pm on Tuesday, then 10.30 am to 6.30 pm on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and 10.30 am to 4.30 pm on Saturday, December 11, which will be the last day of the exhibition.

During this period the exhibition will be staffed by representatives of Hayle Area Forum's Townscape Group. Others joining to help guide visitors and answer questions will be representatives of the Harbour developers ING Real Estate Development UK, Harvey's Foundry Trust and Penwith District Council, including the newly-appointed Townscape Project Officer Tony Walden and Assistant Cassie Raymond.

Visitors to the displays will include representatives of Regeneration Through Heritage, an initiative of The Prince's Foundation, and funding partners. The Hayle Townscape initiative has been funded by the EU Objective One programme, the Heritage Lottery Fund, English Heritage, the South West of England Regional Development Agency, Cornwall County Council and Hayle Town Council, as well as Penwith District Council which is accountable for delivering it.

Part of the funding package will enable the second phase of restoration at Harvey's Foundry, focusing on Foundry Farm. Exhibition visitors will be able to view these plans, too, and meet estate agents marketing the remaining offices created as part of Phase I.

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Note to Editors:

Before the exhibition opens an audience including funders of the Hayle Townscape initiative will gather to view the displays and to meet media representatives, who are also invited to this preview at 10.30 am.

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