Message from the Shotley Pier Group - November 2018

We understand that your parish council has been approached to sign a petition concerning the Shotley Pier. The text of this petition contains many inaccuracies and the images used are misleading.

The Society is in no way connected with this petition and the 'Sally' named is not our Vice Chairperson.

Unfortunately, the petition has arisen because of misinformation spread on social media and websites such as shotleypeninsulanewsandfeatures.

The Society wishes to put the record straight and can assure you that the Shotley Heritage Charitable Community Benefit Society Ltd is not proposing a 'large scale commercial development', and certainly not an 84-seater restaurant. We have produced a fact sheet which is attached for your information and was distributed at the recent AGM.

The actual proposed development (that is presently the subject of a planning appeal) comprises two buildings which are to be positioned on platforms each side of the pier. One is to be used as a volunteer/visitor centre and the other is to be a workshop. They have been designed to provide minimum working and welfare facilities for the maintainers of the pier, and to provide shelter for visitors, together with an exhibition space, small souvenir shop and refreshment facilities.

You are welcome to contact us with any comments. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

John Davitt Chairman On behalf of the Directors of Shotley Pier Group