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Devon Building Control Partnership Launches new Website

Devon Building Control Partnership has launched a new-look website, making it even easier for homeowners and professionals to book site visits, submit applications online, request a quote and much more.

The website has been created to be more accessible and easy to use through desktop computers, mobile phones or tablets. Building professionals and homeowners will be able to access information quicker and will be able to subscribe to newsletters, access a property register for Building regulations, look up fees and charges and find out about business events

Devon Building Control Partnership is made up of Teignbridge District Council, South Hams District Council and West Devon Borough Council. The experienced team of chartered surveyors, building engineers and fire engineers cover all three districts and offers a fast, reliable service for plan checking and inspections through a highly experienced team with vast local knowledge.

The Partnership works closely with the building industry to ensure that buildings are designed to comply through pre-application advice, plan checking and an inspection programme.

Cllr Michael Hicks, Vice Chairman of South Hams District Council and South Hams' representative at Devon Building Control, said: "This new look website will be invaluable in informing and advising customers of the services provided by Devon Building Control, and is much easier and quicker to navigate. If you're in the middle of a challenging and stressful building project,

a clear and understandable website is essential. I'm certain that customers will be very pleased."

Andrew Carpenter, Head of Devon Building Control Partnership, said: "I am delighted with the new look website. We know that people now want to use websites on phones and tablets so we've revamped the design to make it much easier for people to use on those devices as well as a laptop or mobile. The previous website had served us well but was starting to show its age. We've simplified things and made it faster to use and easier to navigate. Information is now much clearer and understandable.

"The redesign is aimed to make sure the site is much more accessible to customers and meets modern expectations as well as being a place where people can find out more about our services. This an online 'shop window' will help us improve how we promote and sell activities across the area we cover and operate more commercially and effectively in a very competitive industry.

"Our new website is part of our commitment to providing a great service to customers as well as showcasing the Partnership as a business populated by friendly, qualified surveyors and skilled officers who can offer impartial advice and assistance to homeowners, agents, architects, developers and other professionals on matters relating to building regulations."

The bespoke website was built by IT professionals working in Strata Service Solutions Ltd, the joint ICT partnership shared across Teignbridge, Exeter and East Devon councils, with expertise and support from officers working for Teignbridge. The look and feel was designed by Made With Maturity, a web design and digital marketing company based in Plymouth.

Laurence Whitlock, IT Director at Strata Service Solutions Ltd, said: “This project gave Strata an excellent opportunity to work with Devon Building Control Partnership to use our experienced web developers to produce a professional and commercial quality web site.”

Visit www.devonbuildingcontrol.gov.uk for more information. You can follow the Partnership on Twitter, just search for @DevonBuildingCP and hit follow.

The website also contains details about the team and a section where people can leave feedback.

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