

## Press Release 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024

## **Groomsport guided history tours resume for the summer**

Discover Groomsport, the community charity with an interest in the history and heritage of the village, is running guided history tours of the village again this summer.

From the beginning of July to mid-September, tours of the village on will take place on Saturdays at 2pm, starting at Cockle Row Cottages. Peter Gibson, the main tour guide, said "Last year's tour proved to be very popular with both locals and visitors. Even long-term residents of the village found that they learnt something new."

Peter added: "We are very pleased that an additional tour will run on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June. The guides for this tour will be Rev Dr David Irwin and his wife Maureen. David was minister of Groomsport Presbyterian Church for 25 years and wrote a book about the history of the village. David and Maureen helped to stop the demolition Cockle Row Cottages in the 1960s. Many people know that David and Maureen are a great 'double act' so early booking is recommended."

Tours are free of charge, but donations are welcomed. All of the tours, including the one on 8<sup>th</sup> June, can be booked online, at: https://discovergroomsport.com/Tour/walking-tour/

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Drone photograph of Groomsport by Amanda McWhinney attached.

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