

Minutes of the Meeting of the Environment Committee, St Ives Town Council held in the Committee Room, The Guildhall, St Ives on Thursday 30 September 2010 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT

Chairman – Councillor R Tulley

COUNCILLORS

Andrewes T

Nicholls C C (until 7.55p.m.)

Sanger C E

Slack K

Williams T M

OFFICERS

Administrative Assistant

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – were received from Laity N P, Richards P J, Tanner J, Watson Y

E.17 MINUTES

RESOLVED – that the Chairman signs as a true and correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 29 July 2010.

E.18 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBER / OFFICER INTERESTS

None

E.19 REPORT ON UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

None

E.20 TRAFFIC CONTROL OFFICER – REVIEW OF THE SUMMER 2010 PILOT SCHEME

The Traffic Control Officer, Mr Alan Cooper attended the meeting and gave members a report on the Summer 2010 Pilot Scheme, after a discussion it was

RECOMMENDED – to Council to continue with the Traffic Control Officer Scheme and to review the budget to increase hours. The scheme was deemed to be a great success. Also to take the Traffic Control Officer's recommendations to the next Traffic Forum Meeting.

E.21 WASTE AND RECYCLING

Mike Toms the Waste and Recycling Manager, Cornwall Council attended the meeting to answer Members questions that were raised at the recent Downalong walkabout. The matters raised by Members were answered by Mike Toms and it was

RESOLVED – to write to Seta regarding the alleged recycling material from restaurants being taken to landfill.

E.22 CORNWALL COUNCIL – CONSULTATION ON SEASONAL CLOSURE, PUBLIC CONVENIENCES IN ST IVES

A report was circulated to Members regarding the proposed seasonal closure of the Sloop Public Conveniences, following a discussion it was

RESOLVED – to write to Cornwall Council stating dismay at the proposed closure of well used toilets by both residents and tourists. Also to request that Cornwall Council consider closing some of the toilets at Porthminster Beach allowing the Sloop toilets to remain open.

E.23 CORNWALL COUNCIL CONSULTATION ON THE DOGS EXCLUSION ORDER 2010 – LAND AT HAYLE ESTUARY

The Dog Exclusion Order was considered at Council on the 2 September at which it had been resolved that the implementation of the Order be supported. Since that meeting, further information had been received regarding the Order and circulated to members. It was

RESOLVED – to note the report and adhere to the previous decision.

E.24 SEAGULL NUISANCE

The Town Clerk circulated a report to members requesting their views on how to alleviate the continuing seagull nuisance problem in St Ives. The report was discussed and it was

RECOMMENDED - to Council to arrange a meeting with egg pricking contractor to review the egg pricking and to consider further signage and flags in the Harbour area.

E.25 PARKING AND OBSTRUCTIONS IN LELANT

Council had been contacted by local residents in Lelant who had experienced severe traffic congestion throughout the summer. Advice from Highways had been sought on the possibility of adding more parking restrictions in the area. It was

RESOLVED – to note the report and to await the response from Cornwall Council Highways.

E.26 REVIEW OF TRADESMEN PARKING SCHEME

It was reported that the Tradesmen Parking Scheme trial period was due to end on 31 October. Feedback from the participating tradesmen had been sought but only two responses had been received. It was

RESOLVED – to await further responses from the tradesmen and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman be delegated to meet to discuss the scheme further.

E.27 COST OF PARKING IN ST IVES

The Council has received reports that visitors would not return to St Ives due the cost of car parking, the matter was discussed and it was

RESOLVED – to await the Cornwall Council’s Parking Policy Advisory Panel review and to forward any correspondence received regarding car parking costs to Cornwall Council.

E.28 PROPOSAL FOR MEMORIAL PAVING AT PEDNOLVA (LAMBETH) WALK, ST IVES

Councillor Laity was unable to attend the meeting to report on his proposal for memorial paving at Pednolva Walk.

RESOLVED – That the item be deferred to the next meeting.

E.29 FREE FOR ALL EVENT – 2 OCTOBER

The Chairman reported that all the arrangements and publicity were in place for the Free For All Event on 2 October.

RESOLVED – to note the report.

E.30 INTERPRETATION PANEL FOR THE ISLAND

The Chairman showed members a tile with the Town Crest on it that could be used as an interpretation panel at the Island. Aafter a discussion it was felt that the plinth would be better used as an information point. It was

RESOLVED – that Councillor Williams contact the St Ives Archive Study Centre to research the history of the Island.

E.31 BUS PROBLEMS IN ROYAL SQUARE

Councillor Tulley reported the continued bus problems in Royal Square this summer, to many buses using the area leading to congestion, it was

RESOLVED – to arrange a meeting with the Police and Transportation at Cornwall Council.

E.32 PORTHMINSTER POINT

Councillor Tulley reported that he had been contacted regarding fast growing Sycamore trees that were spoiling the views from the coast path and the from the branch line train. Members felt they would like to visit the site, it was

RESOLVED – for interested Members to visit Porthminster Point and report back at the next meeting.

E.33 DOGS ON BEACHES – UPDATE

The Town Clerk circulated an update regarding Dogs On Beaches, it was

RESOLVED – to note the report.

E.34 CORRESPONDENCE – No items.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Chairman