Nadelik Lyskerrys 2025

Tuesday 25th March, 2025 at 2pm Liskerrett Community Centre, Varley Lane, Liskeard

Attendees: Councillors Rachel Brooks (in the chair) Tracy Adams, Mike Allsopp (Liskeard & Looe Radio), Paul Baxter (Library), Sally Hawken and Nell Carroll (Liskerrett Centre), Lin Moore (Traders Association) and Mandy Hancock (Town Council)

Nadelik Lyskerrys, Cornish Christmas – Saturday 29th November 2025

1	Welcome and Apologies	
	Rachel welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for coming. Apologies were received from Councillor David Braithwaite, Iga Webb (Museum) and Emma Julian (Treasure Chest), Dan Sturrock (Workshed), Jenny Chester (Stuart House), Rev Mark Wade (St Martin's Church) and Jacqui Orange (LTC).	
2	Key Points from 2024 Event	
	 Timings – the event ran early and the info will be tweaked for this year to show lantern parade, entertainment, lights up and fireworks approx. 6 – 6.30pm. PA system – To improve the sound significantly we need a gantry so the speakers are high up, and a stage behind it. Rachel has met with Jacqui Orange and David Martell and the recommendation to the Town Council will be to rent equipment this year to learn how to do this effectively and safely and then to consider if buying or renting might be the best option going forward. Jacqui and David are meeting Jamie from JHAV soon and will discuss what equipment is essential and look at the site. Speaking to Sterts was also suggested as they had purchased equipment. If purchasing, the Ploughman's Festival team may be interested in hiring. Grant funding to purchase would be looked into. Mike asked to be kept informed about developments. Timings of road closure and staffing implications were to be considered along with emergency access. Rachel will speak to Diverse Events about this. Stewards – 2 great groups had helped steward the event and we need two groups for this year. Sally will speak to the Air Cadets and Army Cadets, Mandy will contact the runners to see if they can support the event again this year. Food – This was good and added to the event. Daniel will be asked if he can do it again this year. Library – the event had worked well with over 800 visitors during the event. Happy to be part of the event again. The quiet space had worked well, will do it again. 	RB / JO / DM JO / DM MA RB SH MH DS

	 Public Hall – the quiet space hadn't been used. Maybe it was a bit far away. We will ask Iga how it went at the Museum and probably not use the Public Hall this year as a quiet space. Communications – the communication of the event details were better than last year. Road closure – a very late update to the application was fortunately approved when an additional road was included to ensure safety in the firework area. 	IW
3	Schools and Community Involvement	
	The lantern parade currently has no funding, the event builds as time goes and funding becomes available.	
	Schools - Sally and Nell will start contacting all local schools to ask if interested in being involved. They may be able to provide more funding, but this wasn't thought very hopeful. Ed from the Library is	SH / NC
	visiting schools and can mention the opportunity if wished. Each year the contact is earlier and clearer. The opportunity for Cornish language sessions in schools will also be flagged at the beginning.	РВ
4	Lights Up Event	
	Family Trail – The Cornish language team have confirmed they are available. Community Treasure Chest had found taking part valuable with new people visiting and becoming aware of them and their services. Activities at the venues are organised by the venues themselves.	
	It was confirmed that the bands and choir conductor were paid last year, these funds helping the organisations who incur costs to run. Mandy will contact all local choirs and ask if they would be interested, in principle, to attending and what their fee would be. The plan is for entertainment between the parade and the Christmas tree lights switch on.	MH
	Red button - Mike will request the red button again this year, it was well received last year.	MA
	Road closure – Diverse events have been booked for this year. They provide a good, professional service. Mandy will let Tracy know the deadline for the details of the fireworks so they can be included in the	MH / TA
	application. Rachel will speak to Aaron about the end time of the closure and how to make things safe for people who want to cross over to the Cattle Market.	RB
	Fireworks – Tracy confirmed that the Traders Association are happy to book and speak to the fireworks company. She will not be available on the evening. A steward can be allocated to liaise on the night with the	ТА
	fireworks company. It was asked that the countdown be in both English and Cornish. Mandy will share with the group the Cornish	MH

	words and they will be added to the publicity in the lead up to the event.	
4	Other Christmas Events	
	The date will be distributed to businesses and organisations. This will give them time to plan activities and be included in the wider festive events publicity. We'll go back to them nearer the time, but it'll get into diaries. Mandy will add the Hive, Ben's and Mogghu to her contact list. Rachel will speak to Ben's and Mogghu.	MH RB
	Traders Association – A grotto is planned for December. The details are not ready yet. There is a Traders Association meeting soon when events will be discussed.	
	Roustabouts – were well received and could be asked to attend again. Mandy will flag the date and ask for costs.	МН
	Lions – this information will be sought.	
	Santas on Bikes – will probably be following week on Small Business Saturday.	
	Publicity will again feature events on Lights Up day and also over the further festive period.	
5	Budget	
	The Town Council has allocated a budget which will be used for publicity, entertainment and lantern making. Organisations who arrange events will fund their parts.	
	Mandy will obtain the costings from last year and share at the next meeting.	МН
	FEAST grants can be applied for and have been successful in the last 2 years, but they cannot be guaranteed, and are very over subscribed. Everyone is to think about funding opportunities for discussion at the next meeting. Paul mentioned Barclays match funding. Mandy will ask Yvette for ideas.	ALL PB MH
6	Next Meetings	
	Tuesday 6 th May, 2pm at Liskerrett Centre	
	Tuesday 3 rd June, 2pm at Liskerrett Centre	
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