

Town Council signs working party meeting notes

Monday 11 September at 2.15pm in the Mayor's Parlour

Present: Councillors Rachel Brooks (Chair), Roger Holmes, Sue Pike and Christina Whitty

Apologies: Jan Raines (holiday)

Updates from previous meeting

Brown signs on the A38

New guidance from Cornwall Council states there is an annual period for the receipt of applications for brown tourism signs, from 1 December to 14 February each year. They have been contacted for advice prior to this window or opportunity opening but we have not yet received a response - Yvette to chase

Edge of town Liskeard signs

The 'Gateway to the World Heritage Site' sign to be added to the town sign on New Road was ordered on 25 July at a quoted cost of £85 plus VAT. Unfortunately, Mark Brewster who was dealing with this is no longer in post and the request has not been actioned. Deborah Boden has helped chase the new person in post, Paul Jones and instructions were resent on 14 September.

Quotes have been received for the proposed two new edge to town signs:

- Signs of the Times (who supplied the existing New Road sign – based in Leighton Buzzard) £3,580 (cast iron as before) plus £75 carriage
- Graphic Words (based in Tavistock) £3,840 using cast aluminium or £1,392 using nViro.

Yvette to contact Graphic Words for revised costings based on some changes to their proposed design, and for experience of using nViro for a highways sign.

Further signage in town

New Pipewell prototype sign

The Town Forum undertook some public consultation during Liskeard Unlocked as to the proposed content of a new Pipewell sign. They will now move on to design, which must be approved by the Town Council.

Car Park Signing Review

The author of the Cornwall Countywide Car Park Signing Review (December 2015) has been contacted, he has reported recommendations were being prioritised. He will contact Parking Services for possible updates. In addition to the dirty and out of date signs highlighted in the report, the railings on the roundabout by Kivells are in poor condition. This could be considered within any heritage townscape projects.

GWR funding

Emily Dunford at CC was unable to put in a bid to GWR's Customer and Communities Improvement Fund before the closing date of 31 August 2017 as she felt that after some initial research it was a bigger project than anticipated. There maybe another possible source of funds from GWR – Yvette will contact Sue Brownlow for details.

Shop signs

There was a suggestion of new signage 'to Heritage Shops' or 'to Independent Shopping Quarter'. There are currently several fingerposts with 'to the shops' signs. Updated pictures of Fore Street on the website and on map boards in the carparks could raise their profile. Rachel will talk to TIC about refreshing the websites.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 30 October 2017 at 11am in the Mayor's Parlour.