

Liskeard Unlocked 2019

Monday 4th February at 7pm in the Mayor's Parlour

Present: Councillor Rachel Brooks (Chair), Mandy Hancock (LTC), Margaret Hawken (Eventide), Yvette Hayward (LTC), Peter Murnaghan (Catholic Church), Brian Oldham (OCS/Museum), Sue Pike (Pipewell), Tony Piper (St Martin's Church) and Liz Wigley (Methodist Church)

Apologies were received from: Councillors Simon Cassidy, Sally Hawken and Sue Shand, Tony Ball (Masonic Hall), Rachel Bennett (Stuart House), Rebecca Catterall (DCRP), Clifford Herman (7th Day Adventist Church), Vicky Reece-Romaine (Cornwall Council) and Julian Short (Salvation Army)

1	Welcome and Introductions Councillor Brooks welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending. Tony Piper had another meeting to attend so gave his input at the beginning of the meeting and left straight away.	Action
2	Heritage Open Days Developments Nationally The HOD link to the People Power theme gave details of how the theme could be interpreted and was wider than initially thought. Most discussion focused on how people came together to form local institutions. Brian Oldham also has material on the children's strike at the mines. Another of Brian Oldham's suggestions was to investigate the power of the people who built Trethevy Quoit and The Hurlers. The Engineering students at LSCC may like to be involved in this? The main event would focus on the 13 th – 15 th September, but there was discussion about whether the second weekend could be used for some walk activities, possibly from the train. Brian Oldham and Peter Murnaghan had various suggestions, including visiting St Keyne Well and the Vinyard. They will think on this. It will be the 25 th anniversary year for HODs, but also the 140 th anniversary since the last Pipewell refurbishment. This could form a link with Well dressing taking place and local school children bringing the flowers. Hillfort School has a gardening club, Sue Pike will speak to them to see if interested, bearing in mind the event is at the start of the new term. She will also ask John Hesketh about his vision by the next meeting. Rachel Brooks will ask Christina Whitty if she can speak to St Martin's School about being involved.	BO BO / PM SP RBr CW

<p>3</p>	<p>Ideas from 2018 Evaluation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Children’s miners’ strike at Caradon and a theatrical event. Rachel Brooks will speak to Nina Hills about school/youth group involvement and look into grant funding options • Margaret Hawken would speak to the Manager at Eventide to see if there could be a display about people coming together to establish the Home. The building was originally built for William Murray “Voice of the people”, a former Town Councillor and this could be included. The display could start in Eventide and be set up at the Public Hall for the LU weekend. 	<p>RBr</p> <p>M Hawken</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Planning for Liskeard Unlocked 2019</p> <p>The main event will take place from 13th – 15th September, but the following weekend may be an option for other non-property related events.</p> <p>In previous years we’ve used windows and doors in our publicity with an exhibition at Stuart House. This year it could be date stones and Brian will draw up a list.</p> <p>The initial thoughts on events were:</p> <p>St Martin’s Church –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tony Piper advised that the Church will open on Saturday • The bell ringers will perform displays of ringing and the tower will be open • He hoped that the mini ring bells could be in place again this year • Possibility of a historic photograph exhibition • Refreshments served 10am – 4pm <p>The Methodist Church –</p> <p>Liz Wigley confirmed that John and Julie Gilbert will be back from holiday next month and will have more information on their plans.</p> <p>Stuart House –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibition about the heritage of the House • Feature on people power in setting up the Trust and opening the House, Rachel Brooks has already spoken to Rachel Bennett about this • Exhibition of the display panels from the buildings taking part after the event? • Exhibitions on date stones similar to those on windows and doors in previous years? 	<p>BO</p> <p>TP</p> <p>R Be</p>

<p>Cornish Times – Although the Cornish Times had been invited to the meeting there had been no response from them. Mandy will check with Kerenza whether they may wish to take part again this year.</p>	MH
<p>WI – another example of people power Jill Pryor has already done research into the WI history. Brian has the banner and information board. They may like to add some history to their Market on the Friday morning?</p>	
<p>Policeman’s Cottage on Greenbank Lane – Brian Oldham will see if any of the residents are willing to take part this year.</p>	BO
<p>The Public Hall –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The power of the people in joining together to buy shares to build the building • Look into the names on the Mayor’s chain and their influence • The importance of the building as an entertainment centre in history. Big names from the West end came to Liskeard 	
<p>Roman Catholic Church –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open the back garden • Feature the migration of the Irish miners 	
<p>Masonic Hall – Apologies had been received for the meeting. Mandy will try to ascertain if they are willing to take part again.</p>	MH
<p>Greenbank Church – As the property was a Henry Rice designed building it was suggested we ask if they interested in taking part.</p>	MH
<p>Constitutional Club – Last year they had an open day the week after Liskeard Unlocked, we will check with them if they would like to participate in the event.</p>	MH
<p>Liskerrett Centre – Mandy will ask if they would like to join in the event with a focus on people power in establishing the community centre.</p>	MH
<p>Library – Due to the refurbishment of the Library we will check if they have are able to take part.</p>	MH
<p>Railway – It was decided to ask Councillor Simon Cassidy if the signal box or Platform 3 could be part of the event. Rachel Brooks had a meeting with Andrew Thompson of the Looe Valley Trail arranged and would ask if there was anything that</p>	SC

<p>could fit with the event. Options for a walk from the train were discussed and also if this could take place the following weekend. Ian Rowe could also be asked for input. Rebecca Catterall had sent apologies, but informed that there were some short films that had been created as part of the Looe Valley Heritage Project which could be used by having a special screening.</p>	R Br
<p>Brian's Evening Walk – Brian is happy to do a walk featuring the properties taking part on the Thursday evening. Although this will be outside the event's timescales it can be widely publicised locally.</p>	BO
<p>Brian's Alternative Walk – As the Drangways Walk had gone down so well last year it was thought good to do another such walk. This year could be focussed on tradesmen and businesses with posters in the shops giving some information. Women's work will also be featured (Ganseys and straw hats) Brian will speak to Callum and decide a suitable date.</p>	BO / CB
<p>Callum Beeson Geology Walk – Discussion took place on a different focus this year for the geology walk, whether it could be Church based. Brian Oldham will talk to Callum and Tony Piper about the possibility of a walk/event focussing on the Churches and Churchyard. Possibly on the Sunday afternoon.</p>	BO / CB / TP
<p>Old Cornwall Society Talk – On 13th September at 2.30pm a representative from St Austell Brewery will be giving a talk on the Dragon Lady at The Public Hall, although following discussion Brian will see if it's possible to swop dates with another talk on Agricultural Rights in Cornwall.</p>	
<p>Liskeard Bun – Sue Pike will ask if we can have some from the lady who provided them last year for Cornish Christmas. The request was that they be little, moist and fruity.</p>	SP
<p>The Cornish Rebellion featured in last year's history lessons at Liskeard School & Community College. Rachel Brooks will speak to Simon Pollard at the school to see he wants to be involved with this.</p>	RBr
<p>Sue Pike offered to speak to the Art Department to see if any A Level students wished to take photos to be part of an exhibition at Stuart House. After discussion about what might be the feature (initials, architectural features, date stones) it was decided to focus</p>	SP

	<p>on date stones. Brian Oldham will do a list of where these might be found and the photos might form part of a colourful grid.</p> <p>Catch Memories – Brian Oldham will discuss this with the Museum as they have a volunteer with experience of recording oral history.</p> <p>Quiz – It was decided, due to poor turn out previously and Brian not being able to be quizmaster not to have a quiz this year.</p> <p>Shout – Due to the numbers attending it was decided not to do the Shout this year.</p> <p>The event could also possibly include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buster Murray, Voice of the People – Eventide • Democracy/Electoral Reform Act, 1832 unrest in town • The Sealed Knot giving a performance • The Prayer Book Rebellion 	<p>BO</p> <p>BO</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Next steps and Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>6th March at 7pm in the Mayor’s Parlour</p>	