

Liskeard Town Council

AT A MEETING of the **COMMUNICATIONS AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE** held remotely on **Tuesday 10 November 2020 at 7.30 p.m.** there were present:

Committee: Councillors Simon Cassidy (in the Chair), David Ambler, Ian Barlow, Rachel Brooks, Sandra Mitchell, Susan Shand and Christina Whitty.

Deputy Town Clerk – Yvette Hayward

240 / 20 APOLOGIES

Councillors Anna Clarke and Julian Smith

241 / 20 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, REGISTERABLE AND NON-REGISTERABLE –

Councillor Ambler declared an interest in Agenda Item 10 – part of the Liskeard Radio team (not a committee member).

242 / 20 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

a) Councillor Barlow proposed, Councillor Brooks seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8 September 2020 were adopted as correct.

b) Councillor Ambler proposed, Councillor Whitty seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the special meeting held on Tuesday 13 October 2020 were adopted as correct.

243 / 20 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

244 / 20 DEPUTY TOWN CLERK'S UPDATE

Report on items from 8 September 2020 committee meeting not already on the Agenda

Written report circulated and noted

245 / 20 MUSEUM REPORT

To receive the Museum report

Noted

246 / 20 TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE (TIC) REPORT

To receive the TIC report

Noted

247 / 20 BUDGET MONITORING

To receive the budget report to 31 October 2020

Noted

248 / 20 EVENTS

a) Liskeard Unlocked 2020 (11 – 13 September 2020) - To receive a report on the event (RB)

The new virtual events were well attended/watched and would be repeated in future years, even

without restrictions in place, as they reached a broader audience. Those live events which were able to go ahead safely were also popular, and a downloadable self-guided walk is now available for Brian Oldham's walk as numbers were restricted on the day.

b) Remembrance Day (8 November 2020) – To receive a report on the event (SC)

Although the event took place at the cattle market events area, a local volunteer cleaned the war memorial, and it was decorated with artwork from Hillfort School. Poppy crosses were placed on the war graves, with an additional one located to add to records. The Mayor and Councillor Cassidy would be meeting the special GWR poppy train at 6.15am on 11 November with a wreath, which would be placed at the GWR memorial when the train reached London Paddington.

249 / 20 Christmas activities in the town

a) To receive an update (SC)

Councillor Ambler had set up a Just Giving page to assist with fundraising. The Deputy Town Clerk had witnessed the set up and would confirm all funds were transferred to the Lights Up account.

Thanks were given to all the local volunteers from the Lights Up team who were able to put up the lights at short notice ahead of the new lockdown restrictions, to ensure there would be something to switch on. Other planned activities would be able to continue as planned at 6.30pm on 28 November.

b) To approve a payment from the events budget towards the costs of Lighting Up Liskeard 2020

It was noted that lots of professional skills were donated, which reduced the overall cost of the event and fundraising required.

Councillor Shand proposed, Councillor Brooks seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** to approve a grant from the Events budget of up to £2,000 to cover the telehandler hire and other ancillary costs of the Lighting Up Liskeard 2020 event not covered by fundraising.

c) To authorise a Councillor to live stream footage of the beacon lighting on the Town Council's social media in accordance with the Social Media Policy section C(2)

St Martin's are currently live streaming church services so it may be more appropriate for them to do this if they have somebody available who can undertake it, with the Town Council and other local groups sharing the link to their platform.

In the event that this was not possible, Councillor Cassidy proposed, Councillor Shand seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** to authorise a Councillor to live stream the beacon lighting on the Town Council's social media.

Any other film clips taken of the Lighting Up Liskeard 2020 events could be sent to the office for uploading as appropriate.

250 / 20 Footpaths and Cycling

To receive an update

The working group meeting on 11 November 2020 would report back recommendations for possible Town Centre Revitalisation Fund projects to Council on 24 November.

Councillor Ambler reported that Highways England had advised they would be undertaking a feasibility study in 2021 on possible improvements to accessibility at the steps between Old Road and New Road.

Locations for further new cycle parking in the town should be an agenda item at the next meeting.

251 / 20 CORRESPONDENCE

None

252 / 20 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Communications and Engagement Committee will be on Tuesday 12 January 2021 at 7.30pm.