

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

5. Deputy Town Clerk's Update

Report on items from 14 March 2024 committee meeting not already on the agenda – for information

Youth Council

The next meeting is on Wednesday 15 May at 7pm at the Public Hall. They have a guest speaker from Mike's Trust who will be talking about knife crime awareness and the initiative for a blade free community.

Active Travel Update

The Active Travel Group will be meeting with officers from the Transport Team at Cornwall Council (CC) and Cormac engineers on Wednesday 15 May to view designs commissioned on route 4 of the LCWIP (Charter Way/Plymouth Road) and the connection between the town centre and the railway station. The group will also be making a site visit. It is hoped plans will be available for public consultation in time for Liskeard Show.

Beating the Bounds – Sunday 12 May

Please attend if possible – meet at Morrisons roundabout at 10.30am. You can do all or part of the route.

Christmas Lights

The group monitoring the contract last met on 3 April. Following a site visit with the contractor it was confirmed it was not possible to reinstall a cross street motif in Dean Street after it came down in the high winds last year. Instead, two motifs mounted on the lighting columns will be provided. The Dean Street motif will be moved to Greenbank Road, and the Greenbank Road motif which was faulty last year will not be used. Blachere have agreed to these changes to the contract along with substituting the cross street which could not be used at the top of Baytree Hill for icicle lights with a large lantern in the middle at no extra cost.

To facilitate the pole mounted features in Dean Street, Cornwall Council (CC) have advised new lighting columns are needed which are suitable for the load. The Town Council will pay for the new columns (£694.50) and CC will provide all the labour and arrange for connection/disconnection. In addition, Enerveo will install power supplies in these columns, and another in a column on Baytree Hill to provide power for the icicles at the lower end, and a wall mount (£1,514.34). An application has been submitted to National Grid for the unmetered supply, and a supplier is needed – Utility Aid are helping with this as there are no suppliers taking these on at the moment. A new power supply is also being installed at Foresters Hall to power the icicles at the top of Pike Street.

Installation dates will not be available until August.

Twinning

A number of people have come forward who would be interested in being part of a new twinning association in Liskeard. It will take time to grow interest locally before an Association can be formally set up. In the meantime, promoting and enabling setting up links between community / local interest groups and their counterparts will engage people and show the benefits of being involved in twinning. Liskeard Unlocked will also help with this.

Another meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 12 June at 11.30am and members of the Liskeard & Looe girls rugby team travelling to Quimperlé on 31 May, and another twinning association will be invited.

8. Budget Monitoring 2023/24

To receive and accept a budget report to 31 March 2024

Attachment 8. Budget Monitoring to 31.3.24

On target spend should be at 100%.

The following points should be noted:

- Events (4500) includes additional expenditure of £1,395 relating to the Coronation approved by Council from the general reserve (minute ref 618/22 & 508/22). The £670 contribution from Councillor Craker's Community Chest fund towards the cost of the Coronation badges was received in the previous financial year. The income from the sale of Coronation badges (£202.50) is currently shown under TIC Stock Sales. A contribution of £129 was received from the Moor to Sea project towards publicity costs for Liskeard Unlocked. In August, Council approved a spend of £1,569 from the general reserve for the Remembrance Day Parade road closure (minute ref 157/23). Council approved a further £1,000 for Christmas activities in Sept 2023 (minute ref 253/23), a further £297 is being funded from an EMR and there was a £50 external contribution. The actual spend against the original approved budget is £6,089.52 (93.68%).
- Railway Advertising (4545) is part funded by contributions from other community groups, with the balance approved by Council from the general reserve (minute ref 507/22).
- Christmas Lights (4595) has exceeded the £19,824 budget approved by Council from the general reserve.
- Museum (222) is showing a total spend of £11,423 against a budget of £4,000 however the excess is all covered by a grant and the donations reserve, which includes the profits from both volumes of the book project *A Peek into Liskeard's Past* written by Brian Oldham.

Recommendation: to accept the budget report

9. Events

- a) Community Fair (Saturday 20 April 2024) – to receive feedback
Information to follow

- b) Liskeard Show (Saturday 13 July 2024) – to confirm displays and complete the rota
Attachment: 9b. Liskeard Show rota

Suggestions for themes at the stand are:

- Active Travel – new designs from Cormac
- Skatepark proposals at Rapsons
- Hire the Public Hall – promote new pricing structure
- Twinning – obtain expressions of interest
- Museum

- c) Liskeard Unlocked (September 2024) – to receive the notes from the planning meeting on 25 March
Attachment: 9c. LU notes 25.3.24

- d) Remembrance Day Parade (Sunday 10 November 2024) – to approve a contractor to operate the road closure
Attachment: PART II 9d&e. Road Closure Costings

Recommendation: to appoint Contractor A due to previous experience and own confirmed team to staff the road closure

- e) Nadelik Lyskerrys (December 2024) – (i). to the notes from the planning meetings on 12 March and 16 April, (ii). to approve a contractor to operate the road closure
Attachments: 9ei. Nadelik Lyskerrys notes 12.3.24 & 16.4.24, PART II 9d&e. Road Closure Costings

See comment from Councillor Brooks in the Part II summary document.

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