

Liskeard Town Council

AT A MEETING of the **TOWN COUNCIL** held remotely on Wednesday 5 May 2021 at 7.30 p.m. there were included:

The Mayor – Councillor Rachel Brooks – in the chair

Councillors – David Ambler, Simon Cassidy, Ian Goldsworthy, Sally Hawken, Jane Pascoe, Tony Powell, Naomi Taylor and Christina Whitty.

Town Clerk – Steve Vinson

Facilities Manager – Jacqui Orange

Member of the Public and Partner Organisations: – Lucy Allison (Community Safety Officer - East Cornwall - Safer Liskeard), (Rupert Engley (Inspector – Police), Nicola Henderson (Licensing Officer - Police), Annette Lee-Julian (Nominated Town Councillor),

522 / 20 **APOLOGIES** – Councillor Julian Smith.

523 / 20 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, REGISTERABLE AND NON-REGISTERABLE** – None.

524 / 20 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None.

525 / 20 **OFFICE OF THE POLICE AND CRIME COMMISSIONER (OPCC) – Evening and Night Time Economy (ENTE) Hotspot Funding** – a). To report the receipt of initial bid guidance by the Town Council on 28th April 2021. b). To receive the views of the Police and Cornwall Council (Licensing) on the possible uses to which the funding could be put. c). To consider whether to approve the submission of bid. d). To consider the approval of match funding to a possible limit of £10,000.

All the Representatives of the Partner Organisations: – Lucy Allison (Community Safety Officer - East Cornwall - Safer Liskeard), (Rupert Engley (Inspector – Police), Nicola Henderson (Licensing Officer - Police), spoke to the application as supplied and answered questions and noted points. The main items of which were:

- Special factors were going to cause increasing strain on local enforcement – the coming out of the Covid lockdown, the increasing numbers of staycation summer visitors, the opening of a new licensed facility in the town (The Social), the transfer of Police staff to G7 summit duties.
- Provision of the Match Funding – There was not a local Business Improvement District BIDs that could fund this as in other towns. “Late Night Levy” - would investigate as a possible source of match funding. Should the evening and night-time economy businesses be asked to cover some or all of the cost.
- Short Notice – an extension of the bid deadline would enable the new Town Council to better consider the request and enable investigation of match-funding sources.

- Value for Money – would more Police officers be a more useful and flexible invest. Would some additional CCTV cameras be better value for money?
- Tender requirements – confirmed that the Town Council’s Financial Regulations as well as the conditions stipulated in any grant offer letter would have to be complied with. A special Council meeting could be held to consider and approve the bids.

It was agreed that the request to extend the OPCC grant bid deadline should be supported and the submission of a bid and provision of match funding be placed on the agenda of the 18th May 2021 Council.

526 / 20 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING** – 18th May 2021 – at 7.30 pm

