

Liskeard Town Council

AT A MEETING of the COMMUNICATIONS AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber on **Wednesday 23 June 2021 at 7.30 p.m.** there were present:

Committee: Councillors Simon Cassidy (in the Chair), Rachel Brooks, Nick Craker, Naomi Taylor and Christina Whitty.

Also in attendance: Councillors Richard Dorling and Annette Lee-Julian
Deputy Town Clerk – Yvette Hayward
Members of the Public – Mr R Reardon

45 / 21 Election of the Chair for 2021/22

Councillor Whitty proposed, Councillor Brooks seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** to elect Councillor Craker as Chair for 2021/2022

46 / 21 Election of the Deputy Chair for 2021/22

Councillor Brooks proposed, Councillor Cassidy seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** to defer election of the Deputy Chair until the next meeting when it was anticipated the committee would have a larger membership.

47 / 21 APOLOGIES

Councillor Ambler

48 / 21 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, REGISTERABLE AND NON-REGISTERABLE

Councillor Whitty item 12b – member of the Liskeard Lions

49 / 21 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON Tuesday 9 March 2021

Councillor Cassidy proposed, Councillor Whitty seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 9 March 2021 were adopted as correct.

50 / 21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

51 / 21 DEPUTY TOWN CLERK'S UPDATE - Report on items from 9 March 2021 committee meeting not already on the agenda – for information

Written report circulated and noted

52 / 21 MUSEUM REPORT - To receive a report from the Museum Coordinator

Thanks were given to Karen and the volunteers for keeping the museum going over the last year and recruiting new volunteers. The chair asked all Councillors to visit the museum.

53 / 21 TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE (TIC) REPORT - To receive a report from the TIC Manager

Thanks were given to Vicky and Louisa for their flexible working during closures.

54 / 21 BUDGET MONITORING - To receive and accept a budget report to 30 April 2021

Noted

55 / 21 OBJECTIVES – To consider objectives for this committee for 2021/22

The committee reviewed the objectives from 2020/21 and considered these still current, with priority given to walking and cycling activity which related to the current Active Travel project being undertaken by Council.

Work on a Youth Council had been halted due to the pandemic. The results from the previous engagement activity, and meetings with other towns with successful youth councils were to be recirculated for the benefit of new members. Councillor Taylor would recommence networking with youth groups, seeking support from Karen Coleman at Young People Cornwall. This would be an agenda item at the next meeting, to include consideration of terms of reference, with an aim to hold the first meeting in December 2021.

56 / 21 EVENTS

a) Mayoral Event – to consider an event in August 2021 (SC)

As covid restrictions had not yet been relaxed as expected, this would need to be put back to September, possibly linking it to Liskeard Unlocked as it was part of the town's heritage.

Councillor Whitty left the room

b) Community Champion Awards – to consider arrangements for 2021 possibly linked to the Lions carnival 2 October (SC)

The Chair would contact the Chair of the Lions to discuss possible options.

Councillor Whitty returned to the room

c) Liskeard Unlocked September 2021 – To receive the notes from the planning meetings on 12 April and 2 June 2021 and approve funding for the event (RB)

Thanks were given to Councillor Brooks and Mandy Hancock for the scale of work already underway to deliver a hybrid of online and physical events suitable for possible covid restrictions. The previous year's events were noted as having achieved national exposure.

Councillor Taylor proposed, Councillor Cassidy seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** to agree a maximum budget of £500 for the event.

d) Christmas events in the town – to discuss possible arrangements (SC)

Christmas Lights – it was noted these were to be taken down the next day. It was agreed the Chair would engage with the Lights Up team to discuss how the town can support them for 2021. The Town Council may be able to canvass help from the organisations that usually work on Nadelik Lyskerrys.

e) Other events – to consider other events it may be possible to hold with the relaxing of covid restrictions (e.g. Beating the Bounds – Sunday in August, Civic Services, etc)

Beating the Bounds may be possible in August, as it is outdoors and does not attract large

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numbers. Possible dates will be checked with the necessary landowners.

A list of other regular events will be circulated for further consideration.

f) The Queens Platinum Jubilee Beacons 2 June 2022 – to consider registering to take part

It was agreed to register an interest in taking part in the event.

57 / 21 **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

58 / 21 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Communications and Engagement Committee will be on Tuesday 13 July 2021 at 7.30pm.