

Present:

Cllr S. Pike

Cllr D.Ambler

Tony Misson Facilities Manager

Ms J Ransley local resident.

Update

Cllr Ambler provided a brief overview of the gull working group's progress. This included:

- Contacting gull experts with the intention of developing a professionally backed gull management programme.
- Arranged with Biffa to upgrade some of the bins around Liskeard to make them more gull proof. New bins have been provided around Lux Cross and GreenBank.
- Issued a number of press releases and an article for the Town Crier.
- Researched the issue of urban gulls.

Actions:

Mr Peter Rock:

Cllr D Ambler, T. Misson – The working group confirms the plan to engage Mr Rock for doing a survey of nesting sites and to come up with a management plan for LTC.

To postpone the planned presentation by Mr Rock to co-ordinate an evening with other environmental messages, (Plastics Free) and hopefully so Mr Rock can present his report.

Obtain Liskeard radio recording for promotional purposes.

Biffa Trial

Cllr D Ambler - Contact Biffa to see how gull proof bag trials are going and whether it has made any improvement.

Eggs

T Misson - To locate the false gull eggs that LTC has and to make them available for the nesting season. The legal position on false eggs is to be confirmed; LTC to ensure that no liability is implied by providing eggs to the public.

Identify contact information for suitable contractors, without any liability on LTC.

£1 deposit per egg is proposed.

Waste

Cllr S Pike – To contact Biffa regarding a litter pick, with a proposed date of 4th March.

Idea to create a skip amnesty for waste, (sofas) outside people's homes. Concern this will create a dependency on LTC for the future, however as a one off, the benefits, with such issues as the deprivation indices is quite high.

Gull Working Group Meeting 6/2/2018
Notes taken by Cllr D Ambler

Suggested that certificates for litter pickers could be issued at the community fair?

Noise

Cllr D Ambler - Promote the link between gull night time noise and illumination.

Press Releases.

Cllr S Pike, Cllr D Ambler - Contact TIC to start promoting gull message, gull proofing and nest clearance. Website.

Gull Working Group – To Environmental Working Group

Those present agreed to change the gull working group to support other environmental issues such as dog fouling, Plastic free and Waste.