

## Liskeard Town Council

**AT A MEETING** of the **TOWN COUNCIL** held remotely on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 at 7.00 p.m. there were included:

The Mayor – Councillor Rachel Brooks – in the chair

The Deputy Mayor – Councillor Sandra Mitchell

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

Town Clerk – Steve Vinson

Responsible Financial Officer and Deputy Town Clerk - Yvette Hayward

Facilities Manager – Jacqui Orange

Members of the Public – Lindsey Hall (Real Ideas Organisation (RIO) – Chief Executive), Nick Craker (Cornwall Councillor), Jesse Foot (Cornwall Councillor), Kerenza Moore (Cornish Times – journalist), David Read – (Community Link Officer – Cornwall Council) and Julie Zessimedes – (Cornwall Council – Head of Library and Information Services).

422 / 20      **APOLOGIES** – None.

423 / 20      **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, REGISTERABLE AND NON-REGISTERABLE** – None.

424 / 20      **TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE 23<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY 2021 MEETING** – The Mayor proposed, the Deputy Mayor seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to **ADOPT** the minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021.

425 / 20      **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None.

426 / 20      **LISKEARD LIBRARY – REFURBISHMENT PROJECT – ERDF OUTCOME CURRENT PLANS AND NEXT STEPS** a) Julie Zessimedes – Head of the Library and Information Service – outlined recent progress and next steps, notably:

- Cornwall Council has provided additional funding of £150,000 towards the refurbishment of the library element of the library building (including roofing works).
- Hoped for the library service to return to the building in the autumn.
- “Click and collect” service currently operating as an essential service during the Covid19 period.
- Hopeful of a commencement of a “Click and drive service” service from Luxstowe House from the 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

b) Lindsey Hall – Chief Executive - Real Ideas Organisation (RIO) – provided detail on works and funding bids:

- Contractors would commence on site in the next couple of weeks. This would include stabilizing works such as, dry rot and roofing.
- Community Lead Local Development (CLLD) funding bid £100,000 for an Enterprise Kitchen type facility to support food processing related activities.

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In response to questions, it was noted:

- An Arts Council bid in the late summer could be made to help bridge the current funding shortfall. Cornwall Council had a possible loan fund facility of a £100,000 should it be needed.
- There was already interest in the Enterprise Kitchen type units proposed by RIO. A referral of enquiries between the Workshed (quality offices), the Cattle Market Makers project (workshops – not with food processing units) and the RIO (Enterprise Kitchen type) should ensure the right tenant is matched with the right unit.
- In broader terms it would be useful to keep liaising as the projects developed to ensure they are complementing each other effectively.

427 / 20      **CATTLE MARKET – MAKERS PROJECT – PLANNING APPLICATION** - Following discussion, in which, it was confirmed that the grant offer letter once received from the Community Lead Local Development (CLLD) program, would need to be approved by the Town Council, Councillor Cassidy proposed, Councillor Ambler seconded and the Council **RESOLVED** to confirm that the planning application as circulated should be submitted for the cattle market makers project.

428 / 20      **CORRESPONDENCE** – None.

429 / 20      **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING** – 30<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.30 pm