

LOOE TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC PROTECTION
COMMITTEE MEETING**

held in the Tourist Information Centre, The Guildhall, East Looe on
Wednesday 19th August 2009 at 7.00pm

REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENT

Chairman – Cllr M Gregory
Cllrs D J Bryan, M Joy, Mrs B King, A Toms,
D Welch and J Hoskin

IN ATTENDANCE

The Clerk – Mrs Anne Frith.
Cllrs E B Galipeau and C Lambert
Chief Fire Officer – J Bowden
Looe Harbour Master – G Penhaligan

7. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs C Rose, J Rothwell
and K Smith

8. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Bryan declared an interest in any matter raised concerning
East Looe Town Trust.

9. TO DISCUSS THE PROVISION OF A PCSO

For the benefit of the new Councillors present the Chairman gave a
short resume of the progress so far. At an informal meeting held with
Mr John Shepherd, Finance Manager for Devon & Cornwall
Constabulary, PC Helen Libby and Sgt Russ Hall the costs had been
ascertained and other Town Councils had been contacted as
suggested by the Police.

Councillor Galipeau raised various concerns, all of which were noted,
and he suggested a formal meeting be held with the Police to get an
agreement as to how the existing team in Looe work.

Councillor Gregory made two proposals as follows:

1) Proposal to enter into formal discussions with the Police and include
Councillor Galipeau in these discussions, seconded by Councillor
Toms it was unanimously agreed.

2) Proposal to proceed with providing a dedicated PCSO for Looe,
seconded by Councillor Joy subject to confirmation that the PCSO will
have traffic powers and will not be taken out of Looe. This was agreed
with a vote of 6/1.

Councillor Bryan's request to revisit the provision of a Town
Warden/Manager was referred to the Standards and Procedures
Committee.

10. TO DISCUSS TRAFFIC ISSUES

The Chairman informed that a Traffic Management Consultation is taking place on September 25th as a start to the provision of new Traffic Regulation Orders.

.1 Quay Road

Mr Bowden stated that Quay Road, West Looe is causing the Fire Service problems due to the markings on the road for parking restrictions being altered. Councillor Toms will check the markings with the original Traffic Regulation Order.

.2 Street Works Licence

Councillor Joy raised concerns about the issue and enforcement of street works licences and suggested that Looe Town Council should be consulted before these licences are issued.

The Clerk was asked to discuss this issue with Cornwall Council.

.3 Taxi's

Councillor Bryan asked that some sort of action be taken to stop the taxi drivers turning their vehicles round in Station Road and also to stop them parking for collection/drop off at the bridge end of Fore Street. The Clerk was asked to write to the licensing department at Cornwall Council.

11. TO DISCUSS THE LANTERN PROCESSION

There was much discussion about the organisation of this event and the Clerk was asked to action the following:

- 1) Contact all the Junior Schools to ask them to participate.
- 2) To organise a lantern-making workshop and venue.
- 3) Contact Devon & Cornwall Rail Partnership to ask for a special train to arrive at 6.15pm and permission to advertise the event on their trains.
- 4) Contact the Lions Club for assistance with marshalling.
- 5) Organise a band to head the processions.
- 6) Contact the U3A to ask them if they would be willing to help the youngsters with lantern-making.
- 7) Order 200 more lanterns through Councillor Dingle if he is willing.

It was also decided that there will only be three processions this year, the fire station, Millpool and the Globe Inn. The processions will go up Fore Street, Buller Street and onto the Quay culminating at the Fish Market. Mr Penhaligan will clear this with the Harbour Commission.

12. TO DISCUSS NEW YEAR'S EVE

The Clerk informed the Committee that the road closure has been applied for and all we have to do is collect the required signs.

Mrs Powell is organising all other aspects of the evening.

It was suggested that East Looe Town Trust may help us with the collection of the signage.

13. **CORRESPONDENCE**

.1 Premises Licence

The Chairman explained that a discrepancy has come to light regarding the grassed area of the Millpool. The licence will now be amended so that this area is covered for entertainment.

.2 Alistair Pearn – Power Boat Race – 8/9th May 2010

A request to provide amplified live music for this event in the Millpool has been received. The licence we have does not allow amplified music in that area at all. Councillor Joy stated that all encouragement should be given to Mr Pearn and to suggest alternative venues. Councillor Gregory proposed that the use of our licence for amplified music should be discouraged, seconded by Councillor Bryan this was unanimously agreed.

NOTE

The Clerk has now ascertained that Mr Pearn wants to have live music on the seafront not the Millpool and, after having checked with Cornwall Council, this is allowed under our licence from 9am – 11pm.

.3 Street Traders

At the request of Councillor Dingle written confirmation has been received from PC Libby that the Police are responsible for enforcing breaches of street trading. It has been noted that the hair braiders in town this week have been ignored by the Police, the Clerk was asked to inform PC Libby.

With reference to the “temporary tattoo” traders on the seafront and Bullers Quay the Committee asked that East Looe Town Trust and Looe Harbour Commission inform the Council of any permission given for trading on their properties.

.4 Cornwall Council – Scaffolding on HSBC

An e-mail received informing that scaffolding will be erected on the HSBC Bank, Higher Market Street, for urgent repairs from 5th to 23rd October was read to the Committee.

.5 Cornish Copenhagen Declaration Conference

A conference is to be held in Truro on 9th October. The information will be kept in the office.

.6 Newlyn, Quay Road, West Looe

The Clerk reported that despite several requests the hoarding around this property still remains protruding into the junction even though work is not taking place at the moment. This is causing traffic congestion along Quay Road. Councillor Toms will contact Cornwall Highways.

The Meeting closed at 8.35 pm.