

LOOE TOWN COUNCIL

**ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC PROTECTION
COMMITTEE MEETING**

held in the Tourist Information Centre, The Guildhall, East Looe on
Monday 12th January 2009, at 7.00pm

REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENT

Cllrs. M. Joy, D. Measures,
C. Rose, K. Smith, Mrs N Tagholm
A. Toms and D. Welch

IN ATTENDANCE

The Clerk – Mrs Anne Frith.
Sgt. Bassett – Devon & Cornwall Constabulary
Fire Officer J. Bowden – Looe Fire Brigade
Mr. & Mrs Powell – New Year's Eve Fireworks Organisers

72. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs D J Bryan,
J. Rothwell and R. J. Overd

ABSENT

Cllrs. M. Gregory and Mrs. B. King

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In absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman, Councillor M. Joy, took
the meeting.

73. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Councillor D. Measures declared an interest in any matter raised
concerning Looe-in-Bloom.

74. TO REVIEW THE LANTERN PROCESSION 2008

This matter was discussed and it was agreed that better co-ordination,
different venue and music for the processions were needed. It was
agreed that this be discussed at a later meeting.

There were no issues raised by the Police or Fire Service.

75. TO REVIEW THE NEW YEAR'S EVE FIREWORKS

Councillor Joy first of all congratulated Mr. & Mrs Powell on the
organisation of the firework display and then read several e-mails and

letters of congratulations from East Looe Town Trust, Barclay House, Fieldhead Hotel etc.

Sgt Bassett stated that from the Police point of view everything had gone smoothly. The only comments he made were that perhaps more bins should be made available and look at ways to keep people off the beach.

Mr. Bowden had no problems except for the fire on the patient's car park involving a burger van.

Reference: Burger Van

It was agreed by the Committee that the cost of the repairs to the tarmac on the patient's car park should be reclaimed from Miss Peters (Terry's Tasties) as she had situated the burger van on the car park without permission from ourselves and indeed had been refused permission in June 2008 to site her van there on Friday and Saturday nights.

Councillor Gregory is looking into the issue of licences from Caradon District Council's perspective.

76. TO DISCUSS TRAFFIC ISSUES

.1 West Looe Pavement Parking

Councillor Joy raised concerns that this is still happening, Sgt Bassett stated that the police can only issue a ticket for obstruction if it is not possible to walk past the offending vehicle without having to go on to the road.

.2 Sandplace Road

Concerns were raised that vehicles are now parking on the single yellow line too close to the junction with St. Martin's Road. The Police were asked for their help until a new Traffic Regulation Order can be put in place.

.3 Woodlands View

Mrs. Powell expressed concern that the turning circle is being used as a parking area after 6.00pm, again the Police were asked for their help.

.4 Barbican Road

Councillor Toms informed the Committee that, even though the recent Traffic Regulation Order has been implemented, indiscriminate parking is still taking place as people are aware that the CEOs mainly concentrate in the town area and are not always present.

Sgt Bassett stated that this is a problem all over the country and regretfully the police now have no powers relating to parking offences.

The Clerk was asked to write to Cornwall County Council expressing disappointment at the effectiveness of CEOs and asking for a dedicated CEO for Looe.

.5 Cornwall County Highways

A letter received informed of the re-organisation of the Highways Department. This letter will be kept in the office.

77. TO DISCUSS THE PATIENT'S CARPARK

It was agreed that as we are still awaiting information for signage, barriers etc this matter be deferred.

78. CORRESPONDENCE

.1 Caradon District Council – Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Shoreline Management Plan Review

It was agreed by the Committee that this review should be dealt with by the Chairman, Councillor Gregory.

.2 Devon & Cornwall Police Authority – Appointment of Independent Custody Visitors

Councillor Joy asked Sgt Bassett to explain what this involved, he responded that these people would be “lay” custody visitors, checking on prisoners, condition of cells etc.

The poster will be displayed and the information kept in the office.

.3 Environment Agency – Flooding in Looe

This review is still ongoing, the Committee agreed that Colin Breed M.P. should be asked to lobby for better flood defences for Looe.

.4 CATS- Minutes of last Meeting

This matter was deferred as Councillor Gregory, who had attended the meeting, was not present.

79 MATTERS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

.1 Seagull Egg Culling 2009

The Committee agreed that this should be done again this year. The Clerk was asked to obtain a quote and refer the matter to the Finance & Works Committee.

.2 Litter Hitter Campaign 2009

Councillor Joy asked for ideas and suggestions for areas to be targeted to be given to the Clerk.

The date agreed for the Campaign is Saturday 4th April 2009.

.3 Police Station/Fire Station

Councillor Toms reported that he had spoken to the Chief's of both these services and suggested that the Fire Service be moved to the Police Station, this would benefit both services.

Sgt Bassett stated that future plans for the Police Station were not yet known.

The meeting Closed at 7.42 pm.