

LOOE TOWN COUNCIL

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

held in the Council Chamber, The Guildhall, Fore Street, East Looe on
Monday 14th March 2011 at 7.00pm

REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENT

Chairman – Councillor M Gregory
Councillors D J Bryan, E B Galipeau,
D Welch and J R B Dingle (ex officio)

IN ATTENDANCE

Town Clerk – Mrs Anne Frith
Councillor Mrs M Powell

76. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Hoskin and
W Martin

ABSENT

Councillors J Rothwell and A Toms.

77. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Dingle, Bryan and Galipeau declared an interest in any
matter raised concerning East Looe Town Trust.
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**78. TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS OR STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS
OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no members of the public present.

79. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

.1 Reference Minute No: 69.2 – Mr Brown's proposal for the Looe
Valley Line

Councillor Galipeau reported that Mr Brown is now available for
another meeting and suggested a working group be set up.
The Chairman agreed a small working group be set up and suggested
that he, Councillor Galipeau and one other form this group, Councillor
Mrs Powell agreed to be part of this group.
The Chairman asked Councillor Galipeau to ascertain suitable dates
for Mr Brown for the first meeting.

.2 Reference Minute No: 71.1 – Civil Enforcement Officers

The Chairman stated that he is not sure where we are with civil
enforcement, some facts and figures have been supplied but all the
information needs to be collated.

Councillor Bryan, who had attended a traffic management course recently stated that there are new guidance notes from the Department of Transport for enforcement.

The Clerk was asked to write and ask what level of enforcement we can expect for this year.

This matter was then referred to the Traffic Working Party Sub-Committee.

.3 Reference Minute No: 71.2 – Harbourside Walks

As Councillor Mrs Hannaford was not present this matter was deferred to the next meeting.

.4 Reference Minute No: 74 – Town Guttering

Councillor Galipeau stated that this issue needs attention.

80. TO DISCUSS CCTV

The Chairman stated that a decision needs to be made as to whether the current system is upgraded or a new system installed. More research needs to be done into camera quality but he feels a completely new system would be better in the long-term, which all members agreed with.

Councillor Welch offered to draw up a comparison table from the two quotes received for presentation at the next meeting.

81. CORRESPONDENCE

.1 Cornwall Council – Off Street Parking Consultation

This information is available online.

.2 Cornwall Council – Loading Bays

This issue is ongoing.

.3 Car Park Signage – Total Parking Solutions

The Chairman explained that this Company are used by Looe Harbour Commission.

The Clerk was asked to ask Looe Harbour Commission what, if any, problems there have been with this company and on receipt of this information the matter be referred to the Finance and Works Committee.

.4 Finger Posts - Millpool

A request from both Cornwall Councillors Mrs Hannaford and Toms for two new fingers for the Millpool had been received. The cost of these would be £185 each plus VAT and £45 delivery charge. The Committee felt that this cost should come out of the Cornwall Councillors Members Allowance.

.5 Liskeard Town Council – Looe Valley Line

A letter received from Liskeard Town Council regarding a recent press report was read to the Committee.

Councillor Galipeau stated that the report had been incorrect and he has drafted a response to Liskeard Town Council. The Chairman will read and approve this response and it will then be sent to Liskeard Town Council.

.6 Environment Agency – Newsletter

This was referred to the next Emergency Weather Committee meeting.

82. TO ARRANGE A “LITTER PICK” DATE

This date has been arranged for Saturday 2nd April at 9.30am. It was agreed that the target area should be the wooded area between Woodlands View and the Millpool and the Polean area.

It was also agreed that the Army Cadets, Brownies, Friends of Kilminorth Woods and Mums of Looe be invited to take part.

83. TO DISCUSS THE PROVISION OF A TOWN WARDEN

The Chairman explained that PCSO's will not be funded after May 2012 so this is not worth pursuing. Other parts of the country have Community Enforcement Officers who can deal with littering, dog fouling etc and are the "eyes and ears" for the police.

Cornwall Council have access to funding through DEFRA for training to issue fixed penalty tickets.

A job description for a Town Warden had been supplied by Helston Town Council which was read to the Committee and appears to cover our needs.

The Chairman proposed that he put together a job description for discussion at the next meeting, seconded by Councillor Galipeau it was unanimously agreed.

84. TO REVIEW THE RECENT FORE STREET WORKS ROAD CLOSURE

The Chairman reported that the Clerk had asked Cornwall Council if an amendment to the current Traffic Regulation Order application was possible to include the seasonal closure of Fore Street as there had been many comments that the street had been much safer during the recent closure. Radar Class results also appear to suggest that the traffic on the diversion route (Barbican Hill) was not excessive. This matter was referred to the Traffic Working Party Sub-Committee for further discussion.

The Radar Class results for West Looe Hill, taken for a second time at the request of the residents, supported the results of the first tests. This is noted and no further action is required.

85. MATTERS FOR FURTHER OR URGENT DISCUSSION

.1 Car Parks

Councillor Bryan stated that a case should be put to Cornwall Council to take back the Millpool and Riverside car parks in return for providing other services now done by Cornwall Council. It was agreed that this matter should be discussed with Stephen Foster, Community Network Manager, Cornwall Council, and to invite him to a meeting with us.

The Meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Signed **Date**

**Chairman of Environment and
Public Protection Committee**