

LOOE TOWN COUNCIL
NOTES OF THE INFORMAL MEETING HELD IN THE TOURIST
INFORMATION CENTRE, THE GUILDHALL, FORE STREET, EAST LOOE
ON MONDAY 17th OCTOBER 2011 AT 7.00PM

REPORT TO COUNCIL

PRESENT

Councillors K Smith, M Gregory, A Toms and
P Crossley

IN ATTENDANCE

Town Clerk – Mrs Anne Frith

**TO DISCUSS THE COUNCIL RESPONSE TO CLOSURE OF PUBLIC
CONVENIENCE BLOCKS**

This meeting had been called urgently in response to an e-mail received from Councillor Mrs Hannaford informing that Cornwall Council Economy and Environment Scrutiny Panel will be discussing closure of Public Convenience buildings on 19th October 2011.

The closures suggested for Looe are the Guildhall and West Looe blocks, the costings for which are attached (Appendix 'A').

Councillors discussed this at length stating that these public convenience blocks are badly in need of refurbishment, the money for which had been allocated by Caradon District Council but has since been used elsewhere, there has been no real consultation with this Council, not enough time to consider the impact on the town and tourism, costings etc.

It was eventually agreed that two options be offered to the Scrutiny Panel with various other comments as per attached Appendix 'B'.

Councillor Mrs Hannaford will attend this meeting and Councillor Toms will write to the Chairman of the Scrutiny Panel and the Portfolio Holder.

It was also suggested that a meeting with East Looe Town Trust, West Looe Town Trust, Looe Harbour Commission and the Sailing Club be arranged to determine the level of help available.

The Meeting closed at 8.05pm

Hayle	Commercial Road	£8,376.14	
Helston	Trengrouse way	£8,929.09	
Helston	Monument	£6,227.61	
Kilkhampton	St James Church, Kilkhampton	£9,131.64	
Lansallos	Polperro the Quay	£8,125.67	
Lansallos	Crumplehorn	£15,083.12	
Launceston	The Walk	£9,656.55	
Lezant	Lezant	£953.00	
Liskeard	Sungirt	£8,992.12	
Looe	Guildhall	£23,441.50	
Looe	The Quay	£11,248.19	
Looe	The Square	£11,892.03	
Lostwithiel	Church Lane	£14,058.33	
Ludgvan	Longrock	£5,926.69	
Luxulyan	Luxulyan	£9,022.46	
Maker with Rame	Cremyll	£7,087.68	
Marhamchurch	Marhamchurch	£1,973.00	
Mawgan in Pydar	St Mawgan	£10,260.85	
Mevagissey	East Wharf	£20,520.28	
Millbrook	Millbrook	£7,519.99	
Morwenstow	Duckpool	£2,882.87	On National Trust Land
Mullion	Polurrian cove	£7,696.25	
Mullion	Tremenhee Car Park, Mullion	£8,693.75	
Mylor	Flushing	£8,549.44	Privately Leased
Mylor	Mylor docks	£9,465.72	
Newquay	Pentire (Lewinnick)	£7,796.96	
Newquay	Chester Road	£10,387.75	
Newquay	East Street	£23,226.42	
Newquay	Beach Road	£19,752.27	
Newquay	Railway Station	£23,491.88	
Padstow	Corys Shelter (The Strand)	£8,295.17	
Paul	Mousehole harbour	£10,155.38	Privately Leased
Penryn	Exchequer Quay	£9,481.56	
Penzance	Penalverne	£12,241.94	
Penzance	Clarence Street (St Clare)	£4,834.11	
Penzance	South Pier	£13,944.40	
Penzance	Superloos	£22,686.48	
Penzance	Newlyn fore street	£6,838.85	
Penzance	Morrab Gardens	£4,016.69	

Re: Public Conveniences

Following last night's meeting the following suggestions were made:

Option 1 – Leave the Guildhall block open and close the Millpool block – keeps the provision for disabled users.

Option 2 – Cornwall Council give Looe Town Council the total income from the Riverside Car park and in return we will re-open the Millpool and West Looe blocks.

It was also felt that the following comments should be made:

- . Not enough consultation
- . Not enough information
- . Not enough time to consider the repercussions
- . Impact on tourism
- . Being "railroaded" into a quick decision
- . The cost of taking on Cornwall Council members of staff would add 20% to our Precept.
The cost of refurbishment of both blocks would add 50% to our Precept in Year 1. This is not acceptable