

**NOTES OF THE INFORMAL MEETING HELD WITH CORNWALL COUNCIL
ON TUESDAY 14TH AUGUST AT 2PM
TO DISCUSS THE PUBLIC CONVENIENCES**

(Please note that the office were unaware of this meeting until it happened)

PRESENT: Looe Town Council : Cllrs A Toms, Mrs E Hannaford & DJ Bryan

Cornwall Council: Mr J James & Mrs S Wood - Environment Dept

Town Clerk - Mrs A Frith

Mr James informed that Cornwall Council are looking at ways of making all public convenience facilities more efficient to run by bringing costs down to enable more facilities to be kept open. Cornwall Council is working with SW Water to find ways of reducing the water bills which are the most expensive utility. It was made clear that any savings on overheads cannot be put into the refurbishment fund.

The over-riding principal is to retain more public conveniences and run them within budget. All aspects are being looked at including closing off some of the cubicles within the buildings, just keeping disabled facilities open, unisex facilities etc. A refurbishment programme has been set and the Guildhall, Seafront & Millpool facilities will be done during November & December with West Looe & Hannaford due to be done in May & June 2013.

Subject to confirmation it has been agreed in principal to close the Millpool and Seafront during the winter months to enable the Guildhall facilities to remain open.

Cornwall Council are also considering a putting a pilot scheme in place to charge for use of the Millpool facility, with the potential of a percentage of the takings coming back to the Town Council.

Assurance was given that Cornwall Council will not be taking any action regarding closure of the public conveniences for this financial year.

The meeting closed at 2.50pm