

**NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD WITH
CORNWALL COUNCIL AND CORY
ARRANGED BY COUNCILLOR A TOMS
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, FORE STREE, EAST LOOE
ON THURSDAY 29TH MARCH 2012 AT 11.00AM**

PRESENT

Councillors A Toms, D J Bryan, C Rose,
Mrs E Hannaford and Mrs M Powell
Mr Mark Fleming – Cory
Mrs Esther O’Bearagh – Cornwall Council
Mr Mike Beckett – Cornwall Council
Mr Chris Lee – Cory Cleansing Supervisor
Mr D Holford – Member of the Public

IN ATTENDANCE

Town Clerk – Mrs A Frith

Councillor Toms explained that this meeting had been arranged to try to resolve some of the issues surrounding storage and collection of the new recycling boxes and bags supplied by Cory, who take over responsibility for refuse and recycling on 1st April.

He also pointed out that the vehicles used by Cory would be too big for some of the streets in Looe and Polperro and that there would also be problems with Communal collections points such as Sunrising and Chapel Ground.

Mr Beckett stated that conformity is needed all over Cornwall with some areas already using this system but does not want to discourage recycling.

It was agreed that the key is to identify problem areas and look at ways of resolving these issues.

Mr Holford raised concerns that people will no longer recycle due to storage, accessibility to and from collection points and fear of foul smelling bags. He suggested that letters may be sent to Mr J Penrose (Tourism Minister), Carole Spelman (The Minister for the Environment) and our local MP.

It was suggested that Looe Town Council have a Service Level Agreement with Cory as they had with Cornwall Council.

Councillor Toms agreed to show Mr Fleming and Mr Beckett the back street areas of Looe where storage of bags and boxes is difficult and the communal collection points to help them identify a solution.

Mr Beckett asked that a six month trial take place and then look at a long term plan. He assured all that Cory and Cornwall Council are committed to recycling and have Government targets to reach and is therefore keen to resolve all issues.

The meeting closed at 12.00pm