

# Liskeard Town Forum

## Dalva An Dre Lyskerrys

### Meeting Notes January 2024

Items that were discussed at our public meeting

Location: Liskeard Public Hall (Quimperle Room), 3-5  
West Street PL14 6AW

Date: Wednesday 31st January 2024 at 7.30pm

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#### 1 **Welcome**

David Braithwaite, in the Chair welcomed attendees to the Quimperle Room. He invited those present to give a brief introduction to themselves

#### 2 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest

#### 3 **Minutes of the last meeting**

Minutes of the last meeting were agreed and PASSED.

#### 4 **Policing Update**

Police Officer Pete Holland delivered his report on anti-social behaviour, homelessness and the problems involving youth offenders. He had personally interviewed several young offenders and his team were working towards tackling the problems within the town. He urged members to contact the Police if they had any information relating to persons sleeping rough in the town.

In response to questions the Town Clerk offered to investigate the removal of rubbish by Cornwall Council left by rough sleepers.

Currently Plymouth City Council were holding meetings to solve similar problems and come up with a strategy. PO Holland was in favour of adapting a similar strategy to deal with Liskeard's issues.

It was confirmed that a 'banning notice' preventing known shoplifters from entering a premises was enforceable.

It was **Proposed** by Tracy Adams (Vice Chair) and **Seconded** by Sue Jewell that a letter be sent to Liskeard Police Station for information regarding the opening of the new front desk.

Lin Moore ( L.T.A. Chair) invited PO Holland to attend the Traders Association meeting on Monday. Local traders could share information on a What's App site

## 5 **Open Session Members of the Public**

Alan Hartridge was aware that the involvement of the library as a drop off point for items for the Liskeard Foodbank had not materialised.

He also highlighted the issues with the planning application for Webbs Cottage for a 5 bedroom rear single storey extension to existing house in multiple occupation. The proposed development was in a unlit backland area of the town centre with very poor access for pedestrians, cyclists or service vehicles. To achieve balance within the Liskeard housing market in line with the Liskeard Neighbourhood Plan, there was a need for bigger family homes. He recommended that along with the Town Council the Forum continue to object to the current application.

Suggestions were made to improve the signage to encourage visitors to the town. It was considered that the poster at Liskeard Railway Station could be better sited for passengers to view.

It was **Proposed** by Lori Reid (Liskeard TC) and **Seconded** by Daniel Sturrock to consult with Liskeard Railway Station to relocate the posters.

Following discussion on the benefits of advertising the attractions in Liskeard in larger cities around the country it was **Agreed** that Mike Allsopp, Sue Jewell, Chris Kay and Daniel Sturrock form a working group to formulate ideas to target these cities and report back to the next meeting.

## 6 **Liskeard Guildhall - Feasibility Study Update**

The Town Clerk advised that 19 tenders had been received for a suitably qualified and experienced contractor to undertake a feasibility study that will inform the repair and refurbishment of The Guildhall, Pike Street, Liskeard, Cornwall, PL14 3JA. A suitable architect had been selected to develop proposals. Lori Reid (L.T.C.) called for ideas for community and commercial facilities for the building. Holly Kennedy representing 'The Kids' of Liskeard suggested a cinema, possibly a drive thru burger restaurant. She was a member of the college council and youth council so able to ask for suggestions at future meetings.

## 7 **Updates on Current Projects - Cycle Racks Railway Station and 'Moor to Sea' Signage**

The Town Clerk confirmed that the cycle racks were in place.

The 'Moor to Sea' project is a Heritage Lottery Funded driven initiative to build partnerships and capacity among heritage and environmental organisations in the valley between Looe and Liskeard in south east Cornwall.

## 8 **Financial Update**

The Town Clerk outlined the expenditure and clarified the payments and income received from SECTA and the Chamber of Commerce in relation to contributions towards the railway signage.

The Chair made a decision to renew the contract with Liskeard Radio to provide 10 adverts per day lasting 30 seconds to promote local events and the Forum.

Sue Jewell **Proposed** the bronze option contract at £325.00 and this was **Seconded** by Lori Reid (L.T.C.)

## 9 **Planning Updates**

Update to Webbs Cottage application covered earlier by Alan Hartridge.

## 10 **A.O.B.**

The Chair enquired about the ownership of the Forum's website domain which he felt could be an easier process. David Ambler's company still owned the domain and it was decided that the Chair consult him on continuing his ownership but with a check on web security.

Lori Reid (L.T.C.) referred to the Community Champion Awards with nominations open until 17 February 2024. Nomination forms can be picked up from Liskeard Town Council Offices or the Tourist Information Centre.

Dates of future meetings

April 24th 2024 at 7.30 pm

July 31st 2024 at 7.30 pm

October 30th 2024 at 7.30 pm

January 29th 2025 at 7.30 pm

## Attendance

Chair	David Braithwaite
Vice Chair	Tracy Adams
Secretary	Steve Vinson
Minutes	Wendy Parry

## Attendees

Mike Allsopp	Liskeard Radio
Lin Moore	LTA
Sue Jewell	SECTA
Di Ware	SECTA
Fern Lief	Kids Clobber & Town Traders Assoc
Pip Harris	Liskeard AFVBC
Linda Cornwall	ETS
Chris Kay	Resident
Clr Lori Reid	Liskeard Town Council
Alan Hartridge	Resident
Daniel Sturrock	Workshed
PO Pete Holland	Liskeard Police
Holly Kennedy	'Liskeard Kids'

