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Town Mayor: Cllr R S Barnes

Town Clerk: C Caldwell

Minutes of the Redruth Town Council Engagement Committee held at Redruth Civic Centre, Alma Place, Redruth on Monday 8th April 2024

Present: Cllr C Garrick
Cllr H Biscoe
Cllr A Biscoe
Cllr S Barnes
Cllr M Brown
Cllr K Grasso
Cllr R Major
Cllr D Reeve
Cllr I Thomas

Chair
Vice Chair

In attendance: Ms C Caldwell
Ms S White
Ms A Lamming
Miss K O'Dell
Ms R Jolly
Ms S Clasper
7 local residents

Town Clerk
Engagement Officer
Acting Community Projects Manager
Administration Assistant
Local resident
Local Resident

PART I – PUBLIC SESSION

1576.1 To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Ellenbroek, Broad, Craze and Skinner, and the Library Manager.

1576.2 Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests (including details thereof) in respect of any item(s) on this Agenda.

None declared.

1576.3 To suspend Standing Orders to allow the public to speak.

1576.3.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders to allow the public to speak [Proposed Cllr Reeve; Seconded Cllr Brown].

1576.4 To allow the public to put questions to the Committee relating to any items on this agenda.

Ms Jolly introduced herself as someone who has been in community engagement for years. She would like to extend the use of the space at St Rumon's gardens as it is limited by weather conditions. She had previously spoken with the Engagement Officer and Operations Officer regarding a stretch tent. She informed councillors that she is in contact with an architect specialising in listed buildings and asked if Redruth Town Council could provide

the plans for the listed building specialist to look at. The Engagement Officer said she would speak with the Operations Officer regarding this matter as there were a number of considerations to be taken into account. She will get back to Ms Jolly.

Ms Clasper said she is the owner of Make A Mends and asked if the Town Council could assist with getting a bollard installed on the pavement outside her shop, as cars and buses have been driving on the pavement and it is now damaged. She is worried someone will get seriously hurt if nothing is done. Cllr Barnes stated it would be a Cornwall Council issue and a police issue. The Engagement Officer said she will visit and see exactly where the problem has been happening and report back to the next Engagement meeting.

Cllr Garrick thanked Ms Jolly and Ms Clasper for their time.

1576.5 To reinstate Standing Orders.

1576.5.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders [Proposed Cllr A Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Thomas]

1576.6 To confirm the minutes of:

1576.6.1 *Meeting of the Engagement Committee held on the 5th February 2024*

Unanimously RESOLVED that the minutes of the Engagement Committee Meeting held on the 5th February 2024 are received, and the recommendations and resolutions are accepted and approved [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr Brown]

1576.7 Town Clerk's Report.

The report was circulated prior to the meeting. The Town Clerk commented that it was lovely to see so many members of the public at the meeting. The Town Hub has been moving forwards and the Engagement Team have discovered that the police were not fully aware of the range of services available at Hideaway 77, a youth café/youth club in town, and have encouraged them to promote it. The Engagement Officer added that the town council have precepted funding to support the creation of a warm space/ visitor information service and will work with other agencies and community organisations. She will report further at a future meeting.

The report was noted.

1576.8 To receive correspondence.

None received.

1576.9 Report from President of Redruth & District Chamber of Commerce on the work of the Chamber.

The report was circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Garrick read out the report, for the benefit of members. Cllr H Biscoe asked for clarity as to what SCONE referred to and the Engagement Officer confirmed that it related to an anti-shoplifting initiative. Cllr Thomas observed that last year's shopping week had only been for two or three days and wanted to know if it would be an actual full week this year. The Town Clerk said she would seek clarification as she is attending the next Chamber meeting on 2 May 2024.

The report was noted.

1576.10 Reports from Members/Officers

1576.10.1 Report from the Engagement Officer

The report was circulated prior to the meeting. The Engagement Officer gave a verbal update regarding the fingerposts. These have been installed but she is not happy with the quality and the installer agrees. They are going back to the supplier to seek a remedy.

The report had stated we would be applying for the Community Ownership Fund in window one, however after investigation it has been decided to apply in the next window instead and in the meantime the Engagement Officer will work with Mel Martin to fully prepare a well evidenced bid.

The work on the CCTV control room is ongoing and the Engagement Officer will present a report with 2 options to be voted on at a Full Council meeting.

The Engagement Officer drew attention to the point about the Netball Project in Portreath and said a lot of young people in Redruth have been taking advantage of this opportunity and that it was hoped to bring it to Redruth later in the year.

Councillors were asked if they would respond to the Local Hero Awards invitations at their earliest convenience so that the Engagement Team could finalise the seating plan.

Cllr Garrick was interested in the report on Dementia Support and stated he would be happy to provide any information and future support required.

Cllr H Biscoe read out the government guidelines on flying flags in order to help councillors decide on the proposal for flying a flag for Redruth Pride.

1576.10.1.2 Unanimously RESOLVED to give permission to fly the Pride Flag from the flagpole on the day of Redruth Pride [Proposed Cllr Garrick; Seconded Cllr Thomas].

The rest of the report was noted.

1576.10.2 Report from the Events and Marketing Manager.

The report was circulated prior to the meeting. The Events and Marketing Manager told councillors that Redruth Town Band will not be available to perform at Murdoch Day this year and asked if they would prefer another town's brass band to lead the parade or a different genre of band. Cllr H Biscoe mentioned that Illogan and Sparmon Silver Brass Band have performed before. Cllr Thomas said he would prefer a Redruth based band. Cllr Brown asked if we could change the tune this year as he feels it is not celebratory enough. Cllr Major agreed saying she noticed the children struggling to dance to the slow pace last year. The Events and Marketing Manager will investigate options and report back at the next meeting.

D-Day plans have started to come together although there is no specific budget for this. There are plans in place for a proclamation and Redruth Town Band are performing a concert at the Regal Cinema. It will coincide with National Fish and Chip day as these were the only foods not rationed during the war. Local fish and chip shops will be approached to determine interest in engaging with the event. Cllr Brown asked if there was any underspend or earmarked reserves that could be used. The Events and Marketing Manager will investigate plans and costs and report back at the next Engagement meeting.

The Events and Marketing Manager asked if there were any more volunteers for the Climate Action working group as she is starting it back up again. Several members of the public present indicated they would be interested.

Cllr Major raised some observations about the Discover Redruth website and suggested several ways in which it could be improved to showcase all of Redruth's events and not just Town Council events, as in her opinion, it does not currently showcase the full vibrancy and culture of Redruth. The Town Clerk pointed out the Engagement team have worked very hard on the Discover Redruth website but that there is always room for new suggestions and that a working group would be an appropriate forum to discuss this in more detail. Cllr Reeve stated that when the main town council website was revamped several years ago there was a working group which was helpful.

1576.10.2.1 Unanimously RESOLVED that a working group be created to support the Engagement team on improving the Discover Redruth Website [Proposed Cllr Reeve; Seconded Cllr Brown]

Cllr Thomas said he thought the new Redruth Town maps could be much better. He observed that no Cornish language was present, and they do not show the rich history, heritage, and culture of Redruth and it would have been good to have had a chance to see them before they were installed. The Engagement Officer did remind councillors that the maps were paid for by HSHAZ and not Redruth Town Council Cllr Garrick suggested all councillors look at the new maps and feedback to the next meeting.

Cllr Garrick thanked the Engagement Officer and the Events and Marketing manager for their hard work.

The remainder of the report was noted.

1576.10.3 Report from the Library Manager

The report had been circulated prior to the meeting.

The report was noted.

1576.11 **Report on Shopfront Design Guide Redruth Appendix**

The report was circulated prior to the meeting.

1576.11.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to adopt the recommendations in the Shopfront Design Guide Redruth Appendix [Proposed Cllr Reeve; Seconded Cllr Thomas]

Councillors were impressed with the quality of the report and the Town Clerk encouraged them to promote and raise awareness locally.

1576.11.2 Unanimously RESOLVED to send a letter of thanks to the author of the report for their work [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr H Biscoe]

Chairman