REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL



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Town Clerk: P B Bennett

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Dear Councillor

Meeting of the Engagement Committee – 3rd October 2022

You are summoned to attend a Meeting of the Redruth Town Council Engagement Committee which will be held in the Langman Room, Redruth Civic Centre, Alma Place, on Monday 3rd October 2022, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

The Agenda and associated documentation is attached for your information.

Yours sincerely

Peter Bennett Town Clerk

Enclosures:

Agenda and associated documentation.

Cllr C Garrick

Cllr I Thomas

Cllr Ms D Reeve

Distribution:

Action:

Cllr S Barnes

Cllr H Biscoe

Cllr Mrs A Biscoe

Cllr P Broad

Cllr M Brown

Cllr L Collins

Cllr B Craze

Information:

All other Town Councillors Cornwall Council Members

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Engagement Committee Meeting – 3rd October 2022 AGENDA

PART I - PUBLIC SESSION

- 1. To receive apologies for absence.
- 2. Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests (including details thereof) in respect of any item(s) on this Agenda.
- 3. To suspend Standing Orders to allow the public to speak.
- 4. To allow the public to put questions to the Committee relating to any items on this agenda.
- 5. To reinstate Standing Orders.
- 6. To receive a presentation from Vicki Kent of Golden Tree Productions on the Plen an Gwarry Feasibility Study
- 7. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of:
 - 7.1 the Engagement Committee held on 1st August 2022. [Minutes attached]
- 8. Town Clerks Report. [Nothing to report at time of publication]
- 9. To receive correspondence. [None at time of publication]
- 10. Reports from Members/Officers:
 - 10.1 Report from the Engagement Officer on her department's work to date. [See report attached]
 - 10.2 Report on the work of the Community Projects Manager on her work to date and ongoing projects. [See report attached]
 - 10.3 Report on the work of the Library from the Library & Information Service Team Leader. [See report attached]
- 11. Report on options for the regeneration work legacy in Redruth
- 12. Update from Climate Working Group. [Chairman]
- 13. To consider the budget for the Operations Committee for FY 23/24, and to make recommendations to the Finance Committee. [See budget attached]

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Redruth Town Council Engagement Committee held at Redruth Civic Centre, Alma Place, Redruth on Monday 1st August 2022

Present:

Cllr Ms D Reeve

Chairman

Cllr S Barnes Cllr P Broad Cllr M Brown Cllr L Collins Cllr I Thomas

In attendance: Ms S White

Ms J Sandiford

Mr P B Bennett Ms K Thorne

Engagement Officer

Community Projects Manager

Town Clerk 4Elementz CIC

PART I - PUBLIC SESSION

1482.1 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs A Biscoe, H Biscoe, Craze, Ellenbroek, Garrick and Skinner (other commitments).

1482.2 Members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-registerable interests (including details thereof) in respect of any item(s) on this Agenda

None were declared.

1482.3 To receive a presentation from Kelly Thorne about her street art project

A presentation was made to the Committee. Ms Thome advised that funding had been obtained for a street art mural project and support was sought from the Town Council. The project aimed to engage the hard to reach and celebrate Black Cornish history. Ms Thorne had been working with Kresen Kernow to discover some really positive stories. The hope was to do two workshops with local young people and produce a mural relating to diversity. Ms Thorne had already been doing workshops with young people and advised that they were keen to engage. She had also been working to cover obscene graffiti in the town and stated that street art had a positive impact on social behaviour. In answer to questions, Ms Thorne advised that she was open to suggestions on a location for the mural and that the volunteers came from local youth clubs. She had also worked with people with mental health issues. The workshops would take place at Krowji and happen by Christmas. The importance of seeking permission from all relevant building owners was emphasised. The content of the mural would depend on what the young people wanted. Ms Thorne was happy to email drafts and ideas to the Council if they wanted to see them. The Engagement Officer would forward the Redruth HSHAZ Project Officer's contact details to Ms Thorne. Ms Thorne was thanked for her attendance and left the meeting at this point.

To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Engagement Committee held on 6th June 2022.

1482.4.1 RESOLVED by Majority that the Minutes of the Engagement Committee Meeting held on 6th June 2022 be accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings. [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr Brown] Cllrs Broad and Collins abstained as they had not been present at the meeting.

1482.5 Town Clerk's Report

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting. The report was noted.

1482.6 To receive correspondence

No correspondence had been received.

1482.7.1 Report from the Engagement Officer on her department's work to date

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Engagement Officer further reported that an offer of employment had been made and accepted following interviews for the vacant Library & Information Assistant post. Cllr Barnes requested better communication in relation to upcoming external events to ensure that everyone was aware of what was happening. The Engagement Officer reported that the Redruth Local Awards had gone well. Support had been received from local businesses and the community, and several sponsors had indicated they would be happy to be involved again. The Penventon had done an excellent job of hosting. It was hoped to expand the event next year, with the aim of holding the next awards in April. Cllr Barnes suggested that it would be a good idea to write down the food choices on the next occasion. Finally, the Engagement Officer reported that there was no update in relation to The London Inn. The report was noted

1482.7.2 Report from the Community Projects Manager on her work to date and ongoing projects

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting. Since the previous meeting of the Committee, a successful Murdoch Day had been held. Some useful feedback had been received, which would be taken into account in future planning. Learn to Skate workshops would be starting the following day at the Skatepark and continue over the Summer, giving up to 300 young people the opportunity to learn or refine their skills. Councillors were also reminded that the first Redruth Roundtable would take place later in the week, focussing on the Redruth International Mining & Pasty Festival as well as allowing for further feedback in relation to Murdoch Day. Additional upcoming events were the Tolgus Tracks Silent Auction and the rescheduled RPM Bike Displays. The report was noted.

1482.7.3 Report on the work of the Library from the Library & Information Service Team Leader

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Library & Information Service Team Leader had sent her apologies. In answer to a question, the Engagement Officer advised that the decision to no longer impose fines appeared to be a positive step forward, although it was still too early to know the full impact. The report was noted.

1482.8 Update from the Climate Working Group

The Climate Working Group had not met since the previous meeting of the Engagement Committee. Councillors were advised that the CPIR Climate Group had set its priorities for the next twelve months. A CPIR-wide tree-planting event was being co-ordinated by the Community Link Officer as part of Forest for Cornwall. Cllr Thomas advised that he had received correspondence from Forest for Cornwall and that there were a number of forms to fill in, followed by training. He further advised that he would like to attend a CPIR Climate Group meeting in relation to water refill stations.

- To exclude the press and public for the meeting for the remaining item of business as their presence would be prejudicial to the public interest by virtue of the confidential nature of the subject matter (data protection), and on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12[A] of the 1972 Local Government Act
- 1482.9.1 Unanimously RESOLVED to exclude the press and public for the meeting for the remaining item of business as their presence would be prejudicial to the public interest by virtue of the confidential nature of the subject matter (data protection), and on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12[A] of the 1972 Local Government Act [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr Brown]
- 1482.10 To receive a report on CCTV activity for 2021/22 and Q1 2022

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting. The report was noted.

Chairman

REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR: Meeting of Engagement Committee on Monday 3rd October 2022

1.0 SUBJECT OF REPORT: To update the committee on the work of the Engagement Officer

2.0 **SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

a. Policy - Nob. Financial - Noc. Legal - No

3.0 **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

3.1 To provide the committee with information of the work carried out by the Engagement Officer & her team since the last meeting.

4.0 **REPORT**

4.1 Staffing

The Engagement Team remains stable and committed.

The new full time Library Assistant has now started and seems to be settling in well. At the time of writing, we have shortlisted four strong candidates for the part-time Library Assistant role and interviews are planned for Thursday 29th September. A verbal update will be given in the meeting.

4.2 <u>Organisation of community events</u>

Dates for 2022

- Lowender Peran 22nd 30th October 2022
- Redruth Christmas light switch on and parade Saturday 26th November 2022
- Redruth St Piran's Day Saturday 4th March 2023

We have begun planning for festivals in 2023 but there are some variables for us to consider such as the date of the Coronation and the optimum time for the International Mining & Pasty Festival. Proposals for those events will be bought to Council as soon as possible.

4.3 Festivals & Events

As you will know, the International Mining & Pasty Festival could not go ahead due to the death of Queen Elizabeth II the day before the festival was due to start. This was devastating for the team who didn't see all their hard work over many months come to fruition. We also received significant amounts of negative feedback both on social media and directly by email and telephone, some of it really quite abusive.

However, the good news is that some aspects of the Festival were able to be rescheduled and so we had a Redruth Mining & Pasty Day on Saturday 1st October. A verbal update will be given in the meeting.

The CPM report will include more information about that event and plans for Christmas in Redruth.

4.4 Operation London Bridge and the Death of Queen Elizabeth II

Despite ensuring I was familiar with Operation London Bridge, the death of The Queen still came as somewhat of a surprise and at a difficult time for the senior management team with annual leave and family absences.

As soon as the news was announced and despite this being after office hours, we reacted quickly by amending our social media pages and posting our condolences. With the support of the Facilities team, we worked quickly the following morning to fly the flag at half mast, set up the book of condolence and remove all outdoor advertising for the RIM&PF and well as contacting all stallholders and shops in town to let them know the Festival was cancelled.

We also had great support for the Accession Proclamation event, with the Redruth Town Band; Jenefer Lowe, Deputy Grand Bard of the Gorsedh; and James Williams DL, Vice Lord Lieutenant all volunteering themselves to make the historic event even more special.

There has been some good learning from the whole process following the monarch's death which is being captured in a guidance document for the future.

I would like to record my thanks to Peter for interrupting his holiday, Abi for providing sound advice from afar, Kipper and the whole Facilities team for being so proactive and my own Engagement team for being so resilient in what were quite extraordinary circumstances.

4.5 Cost of Living Crisis

In response to the cost of living crisis, we have been investigating ways the Library can support our residents over the winter and beyond. I have had a meeting with CPR Foodbank and we are going to host a wire collection basket as well as a place where people can collect food bank vouchers.

In addition, we joined other Cornwall Libraries in a meeting with NHS Kernow about the provision of warm banks. Volunteer Cornwall reported that they have already looked at provision and in Redruth that would be at The Elms. We are still looking at reconfiguring the Library space to create our own warm space that would also be able to offer help and support as well as hosting more social and creative opportunities. We are contacting all the support and third sector organisations in the town to gather a comprehensive directory of the support on offer and how to access it.

4.6 Redruth Skatepark Jam

We were finally able to host the Skatepark Jam in East End park in August on what, somewhat ironically, was one of the hottest days of the year. It was a successful event and the door is open for more events hosted by Maverick in the future.

4.7 Police engagement and liaison

The Police Liaison Group meetings have now resumed after the summer and our Neighbourhood Beat Manager has returned to duty. The Sector Inspector has reported a relatively quiet summer for Redruth. There are still problems with anti-social behaviour and drugs but incidents are relatively low.

We continue to be grateful for the regular police drop-ins in to the office.

4.8 Town Vitality Fund

Members will recall that work is ongoing by the appointed consultants to respond to the briefs issued earlier this year. The work has largely finished now with just a couple of reports anticipated as I write this report, including Destination Redruth and a report from PBWC on the options for Winklow House and Chymbla House on the Brewery site.

Golden Tree Productions will be presenting regarding the Plen an Gwarry at this meeting.

4.9 HSHAZ & Cultural Consortium

The HSHAZ board of which I'm a member has been meeting regularly to receive updates on some of the key projects such as the London Inn and Buttermarket redevelopment.

As previously reported, The Buttermarket is now fully funded and work is expected to start later this autumn.

The HSHAZ is also funding improvements to the site at the bottom of Station Hill & Penryn Street whilst its long term future is decided.

The London Inn is now back on the market with the previous scheme having failed although HSHAZ-funded work has begun on refurbishing the previous K9 charity shop frontage. More updates on this will follow in the coming months.

4.10 Redruth Local Hero Awards

The Awards evening was a great success and enjoyed by all. We have received great support from the sponsors with some interested in sponsoring next year.

I will now begin planning for next year's ceremony with an extended award list and new sponsors.

4.11 The Redruth Recorded Podcast

We have now published 4 episodes of Redruth Recorded and it has had 130 downloads in total.

Please could I ask you all to subscribe to the podcast or share it with your networks when the next episode is published – a link will be forwarded to you.

4.12 Engagement with town centre businesses

We have spent a lot of time visiting and chatting with town centre businesses in the run up to the original RIM&PF and then when publicising the rescheduled events. We received good feedback and appreciation of our efforts to create a Mining & Pasty Day.

I attended the August meeting of the Redruth & District Chamber of Commerce.

4.13 Marketing of the Town Council's work

Please see the Community Project Manager's report regarding the social media activity.

4.14 Partnership building

Please see 4.12 regarding town centre businesses.

Please see 4.7 regarding police co-operation.

The Town Markets team continues to work well and we are now preparing for the Buttermarket closure and relocation of part of the market. The Committee were especially supportive of our ideas for rescheduling Mining & Pasty Day onto a markets day.

4.15 Library and Information Centre

The Summer Reading Challenge has now been completed and was again a great success.

We are now working to embed the new team members that it is anticipated will bring stability and flexibility to the team.

Plans are also now underway to build a modern Information Centre and to remove the metal structure on the outside of the window so that can be opened up to enhance the street view of the Library.

The LIS Team Leader will expand on this in her report.

4.16 Any other task as directed by the Town Council or Town Clerk.

I am continuing to work towards the CiCLA qualification which is expected to take 6-9 months to achieve. Unit 1 work has been submitted and I am part way through Unit 2. Unit 3 has a finance and budget focus so the Town Clerk and I will be working on this in real time through the budget setting process.

4.17 **CONCLUSION**

As the Engagement Officer I have been working with accordance to the agreed roles and responsibilities for the position, in addition to continuing existing projects and developing other tasks as and where appropriate.

4.18 **RECOMMENDATION**

4.19 It is recommended that that this reported is noted.

Sam White - Engagement Officer

REPORT FOR: Meeting of The Engagement Committee on Monday 3rd October 2022

1.0 SUBJECT OF REPORT: To update the committee on the work of the Community Projects Manager

2.0 **SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

a. Policy -

No

b. Financial

No

c. Legal

No

3.0 TERMS OF REFERENCE

3.1 To provide the committee with information of the work carried out by the Community Projects Manager since the beginning of the contract of employment.

4.0 **REPORT**

4.1 Organisation of community events

Dates for 2022

- Redruth Roundtable 13th October
- Community Litter Pick 26th October
- Lowender Peran 22nd 30th Oct
- Christmas Lights Switch On 26th Nov

Learn to Skate workshops

The learn to skate workshops which ran each Tuesday morning throughout August have been a huge success. Coach Frankie and his team have shared how much they enjoyed it and hope to work with us again in the future. It was great to see the fantastic mix of young people/children participating. All 5 sessions were full and very popular.



Redruth Roundtable - International Mining and Pasty Festival

The first Redruth Roundtable was quiet, but we did have some productive conversations and shared some ideas with those who did attend. We are hoping to have the next session on Thursday 13th October to focus on Christmas and feedback from Pasty Festival.

Ideas that were brought up included a Redruth Car boot sale, making events more sustainable, and more diverse stalls at festivals.



Tolgus Tracks Silent Auction

We held our Tolgus Tracks Silent Auction on Friday 5th August in Market Hall. Alice took the lead on the evening and the hall looked fantastic; she did a brilliant job. The evening was quieter than we hoped but we did auction off two pictures. The remaining pictures and the original Tolgus' made, are being displayed in the Market Way units and we are hoping to sell the remaining pictures and donate the money to charities.



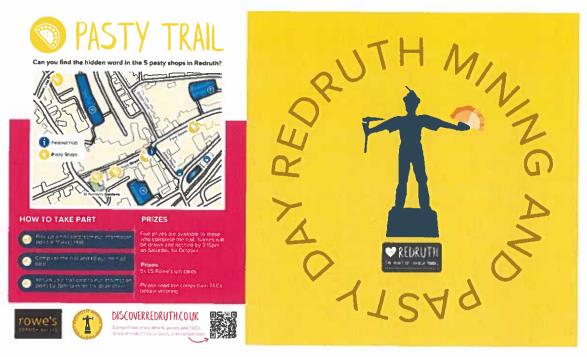
RPM Bike Displays

The RPM Bike Displays rescheduled event took place on Saturday 27th August, 12-4pm. This was a fantastic event. The team provided 4 shows throughout the day for people in East End Park. People seemed to really enjoy it and the individuals I spoke with, gave really great feedback. We had around 90-100 watching the displays over the course of the day.



International Mining and Pasty Festival and Redruth Fun Day

The team was so disappointed to have to cancel the festival but of course, it was completely appropriate due to the sad circumstances of the Queen's passing and in keeping with the NALC protocol. The team has been working hard to reschedule some activities for the town market on the 1st of October. Activities will include the Pasty competitions, the magician, Tough Dough's workshops, Hotch Potch Circus skills, and some music.



Christmas Light Switch On

The plans for Christmas are well underway and we're really excited about them. We have met with the Wassail team to begin planning the evening light switch-on and surrounding activities. We will be meeting with local artists regarding a children's lantern parade as well as a Christmas market and Grotto with Tough Dough. We are making plans with Redruth Town Band to provide further music on non-market Saturdays, the 10th and 17th of December. We will be using the Market Way units for the Grotto which we hope will be as popular as last year and bring further footfall through Market Way.

4.4 Community Capacity building work

Nothing to report.

4.5 Partnership building

We have been working well with Redruth Revival and Redruth Chamber of Commerce to continue the town markets. This has been quite challenging as we haven't been having much take up for stalls as we've moved into Autumn. We have been working on further promotional materials such as more banners, feather flags and advertising in parish magazines.

4.6 Any other task as directed by the Town Council or Town Clerk.

Redruth Record

The next Redruth Record is due to be released around the 7th October.

Social Media

Our social media presence has been steadily growing since July 2021 -

Discover Redruth Facebook – 496 new followers

Redruth Town Council Facebook – 274 new followers

Discover Redruth Instagram – 214 new followers

LinkedIn - 88 followers

4.7 CONCLUSION

As the Community Projects Manager, I have been working with accordance to the agreed roles and responsibilities for the position, in addition to continuing existing projects and developing other tasks as and where appropriate.

4.8 **RECOMMENDATION**

4.9 That this reported is noted.

Jennifer Sandiford - Community Projects Manager

REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR: Meeting of Engagement Committee on Monday 3rd October, 2022

1.0 SUBJECT OF REPORT: To update the committee on the work of the Redruth Library and Information Service

2.0 **SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

a. Policy - Nob. Financial - Noc. Legal - No

3.0 TERMS OF REFERENCE

3.1 To provide the committee with information of the work carried out by the Redruth Library and Information Service since the last report.

4.0 **REPORT**

Since the last Engagement Committee meeting, I have reviewed two sets of monthly performance data, covering July and August 2022 – the core months of delivery for the Summer Reading Challenge. A summary of all reports is detailed below.

Performance Report - July 2022

Activity	Amount	Review			
Footfall (people counter)	6,004	Our daily visitors to the building are logged via a footfall counter. This figure shows an increase of 1,040 compared to June's footfall (Summer Reading Challenge).			
Total no of Books issued per month	8,588	An increase again due to the Summer Reading Challenge.			
New Borrowers joining the Library	208	A steady number of new borrowers.			
Library Enquiries	272	A new report line being generated.			
Computer usage	193	Again, a steady rise in daily computer use.			
Signposting on behalf of CC	48	Information Service recorded transactions.			
Vulnerable	0	A new report line being generated.			

Performance Report - August 2022

Activity	Amount	Review
Footfall (people counter)	7,984	Our daily visitors to the building are logged via a footfall counter. This figure shows an increase of 1,980 compared to July's footfall (Summer Reading Challenge).
Total no of Books issued per month	10,346	An outstanding amount of book issues (Summer Reading Challenge).
New Borrowers joining the Library	157	A steady number of new borrowers.
Library Enquiries	317	An increase in library enquiries.
Computer usage	273	Again, a steady rise in daily computer use.
Signposting on behalf of CC	47	Information Service recorded transactions.
Vulnerable	3	A noted increase in vulnerable individuals seeking help and advice.

The table below illustrates our footfall figures over a 12-month period, highlighting how the service was operating during our Covid Recovery phases. We recorded **57,730** visits to the Library and Information Service – an amazing achievement.

Monthly Footfall Figures	Total	
September 2021	4,523	Full opening
October 2021	4,875	
November 2021	4,587	
December 2021	3,618	Plan B guidelines
January 2022	3,821	
February 2022	3,960	
March 2022	4,415	
April 2022	4,355	

4,624	
4,964	
6,004	
7,984	
	6,004

4.1 Home Library Service

The restructure and new delivery model of the Home Library Service has been postponed by Cornwall Libraries until January 2023. There is a meeting of all Town Clerks and partners scheduled for 5th October, 2022 and Peter will be attending. This meeting should provide more detail about the proposed delivery model and any support that might be available.

We currently have 18 HLS clients that our dedicated volunteers chose books for on a monthly basis – as well as book bags for Care Homes. These are all delivered by volunteer drivers who we hope to retain when the new delivery model commences.

4.2 Library Offer and Engagement Activity

The activities we've delivered over the last 2 months

- **Bookstart Rhymetime** singing sessions for under 4's on Tuesday afternoons and Friday mornings.
- Creative Writing for Adults a fortnightly session delivered on a Tuesday from 11am – 12.30pm
- Thursday Morning & Afternoon Book groups both groups meeting back in the library on the 3rd Thursday in the month.
- Lego Club now meeting every fortnight and as popular as ever.
- Home Group (Empowering Independence Outreach Service) free and confidential drop-in sessions for those individuals who have a physical health need and/or a disability. Giving advice and support every other Wednesday from 10am – 12pm.
- Coder Dojo our coding club for young people. The first Saturday every month from 11.30am 1pm.

DOE volunteering – we have 2 young people volunteering in the library whilst completing their DOE bronze award, plus another young person volunteering on a Saturday morning.

During the Summer

The Summer Reading Challenge

This year's Summer Reading Challenge theme was "Gadgeteers" – based upon a group of young people who have lots of different skills and get together to invent things. As part of our Challenge, we delivered a range of free summer activities – 'Triffic Tuesdays – to engage with the community and keep the momentum of the challenge going, as well as delivering Lego Club every Saturday.



Sarah visited all of the schools in our catchment area, delivering fun assemblies, prior to the end of term. We signed up 523 children in total on the challenge, and 319 completed – smashing our target of 246.





The feedback that we received was extremely positive and if you look at the increase in footfall from last year to this, incredibly heartening. The figures speak for themselves – with hard work, dedication, creativity and passion we can continue to grow our service. These figures show the footfall increase between last summer and this summer.

Summer 2022		Surr	mer 2021	Increase	
July	6,004	July	3,264	2,740	
August	7,984	August	5,003	2,981	
Total	13,988	Total	8,267	5,721	

We were also extremely fortunate to recruit a great group of young volunteers this year – 16 in total. Between them they delivered 370 hours of volunteering – an astounding achievement. Again, we had more young volunteers and volunteer hours than any other library in the county.

4.3 **Publicity**

The Library's Facebook page now has 1,100 followers. This continues to increase month on month. Our posts are vibrant, family focused, have an identifiable brand and gives a clear message. We now have our own Instagram account, with posts proving extremely popular.

4.4 Any other task as directed by the Town Council or Town Clerk.

Nothing to report.

4.5 **CONCLUSION**

What an amazing summer we've had! Our Summer Reading Challenge has been a huge success – and the library has been full of activity, fun and laughter once more. This has been made possible by the hard work and dedication of the LIS team who have outdone themselves during this year's Challenge.

As the days turn cooler, our priority turns to Autumn / Winter and supporting those individuals who might be really struggling with loneliness, fuel poverty and keeping warm. We will be welcoming the community into the Library on Thursday 6th October with our "Get to know your Library" day – where the whole team will be on hand to have a chat and provide a cuppa. This is the opportunity to engage with our customers, old and new, and take a temperature check; are the services we are providing the right ones and how are we working with other partners across town? How can we provide a warm and welcoming space for those individuals who are struggling? It would be lovely to see you if you have time to pop in.

4.6 **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that this report be noted.

Claire Waterhouse Library and Information Service Team Leader

REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR: Meeting of Engagement Committee on Monday 3rd October 2022

1.0 SUBJECT OF REPORT: Report on initial findings into research around forming a CIC to continue regeneration work post-HSHAZ project

2.0 **SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

a. Policy - Yesb. Financial - Yesc. Legal - Yes

3.0 TERMS OF REFERENCE

3.1 To provide the committee with information regarding regeneration legacy plans.

4.0 **REPORT**

4.1 Regeneration Legacy

Members will be aware of the work currently being led by the Redruth High Street Heritage Action Zone (HSHAZ) via Historic England and Cornwall Council that is driving some significant regeneration projects in Redruth.

Amongst those projects, work on The Buttermarket is shortly to begin and the former HSBC Bank has been purchased for community use. The new Discover Redruth website is also live.

There are still two years of the HSHAZ project to run and more initiatives are planned. At this stage, it is unclear whether the HSHAZ will be extended but it is nevertheless sensible to start thinking about how the regeneration projects and initiatives in Redruth will be developed and funded once the HSHAZ has finished, and how the regeneration momentum can be harnessed to drive through new projects.

4.2 Structure of regeneration entity

One option for continuing regeneration work in Redruth would be to bring it in house within the Town Council. However, a significant obstacle to this approach would be that the Council would not be eligible to apply for grants and other funding streams for major projects. It would also mean any risks are held within the Council.

So, a possible preferred option is to establish a Community Interest Company (CIC)/armslength company to the Council. The benefits to this are:

- The CIC could bid for funding and apply for grants
- The CIC could run a surplus which could be reinvested directly into other projects or distributed to the community
- The board of the CIC could include those who are currently on the HSHAZ board to ensure continuity as well as others from the town to ensure full and fair representation in all decision making
- The CIC would be free to pursue opportunities that would be outside of the remit of the Town Council
- The CIC could take on projects that are currently outside of the scope of the HSHAZ such as The Brewery site and other derelict areas in the town

• The CIC would be free of council-specific guidance for events at times of national significance such as the death of the monarch as recently experienced.

4.3 Establishing a CIC

It is relatively straightforward to set up a CIC and that could be accomplished relatively soon so that succession planning can begin in the near future with the option to vary plans should the HSHAZ project be extended.

More consultation is required including with Cheryl Welsh - HSHAZ Project Officer, Cllr Barbara Ellenbroek - HSHAZ Board Chair and Tamsin Daniel - Principal Historic Environment Officer at Cornwall Council. Because a similar approach has been taken by Camborne Town Council, consultation with their Engagement Officer, Rose Hitchens Todd would also be useful.

Legal advice will also be sought before any final recommendations are advanced to Council.

In due course, Council would be asked to decide on matters such as the asset lock and full board membership.

4.4 **CONCLUSION**

Establishing an arms-length Community Interest Company to act as a legacy custodian of the regeneration projects currently underway under the HSHAZ project and as a vehicle to hold future regeneration projects could be an appropriate way to ensure the regeneration momentum continues once the HSHAZ project finishes.

4.5 **RECOMMENDATION**

4.6 It is recommended that Members consider the report and agree to the concept of establishing a CIC assuming further research and consultation suggests this is an appropriate course of action.

Sam White - Engagement Officer

Redruth Town Council Operations Committee Budget 2023-24

				Current Annual Bud	Budget 2023-24
102	General	4214	Newspapers	500	500
	Administra	4217	Lib Events & Activities	750	750
		4224	TIC Bulk Buy	1000	1000
				2250	2250
201	Christmas	4304	Christmas Lights	22500	20290
	Festival	4305	Christmas Events	6000	5000
				28500	25290
202	Other	4311	Markets Support	1000	500
	Events	4312	Summer Events	2500	2500
		4313	May Day Y1	1500	0
		4314	Lowender Peran	500	500
		NEW	Coronation	0	5000
		NEW	Seasonal events (MW Unit)	0	2000
				5500	10500
203	Administra	4207	Advertising	2200	750
	Services	4715	Town Website	1400	1400
		4716	Remembrance	850	1000
		4718	Town Guide	6200	6500
		4720	Plastic Champion	1000	500
		NEW	Podcast	0	1500
				11650	11650
204	RIM&PF	4401	Marshals	370	370
		4402	Music Acts	3000	3000
		4404	Marketing/Advertising	2500	1500
		4405	Equip/Toilets/Tables/Chairs	1300	1300
		4407	First Aid	450	250
		4408	Bunting	275	0
		4410	Marquees	850	850
		4413	Road Closures/Licenses	100	100
		4414	Hospitatlity	250	250
		4416	Fun Day	400	600
		4419	Generators	1900	1900
		4421	Electricity Minora Day Activities	300	300
		4422	Miners Day Activities	100	1200
				11795	11620

205	Murdoch	4401	Marshals	1000	1000
		4402	Music Acts	1200	1200
		4403	Street Ents	1000	1000
		4404	Marketing/Advertising	1000	1000
		4405	Equip/Toilets/Tables/Chairs	400	400
		4407	First Aid	460	460
		4408	Bunting	275	275
		4410	Marquees	1150	1150
		4411	Stage	900	900
		4412	Market Stalls	1250	1250
		4413	Road Closures/Licenses	420	420
		4415	Misc Expenses	300	300
		4418	Afternoon Dance	200	200
		4427	Schools	1650	1650
				11205	11205
206	St Piran	4401	Marshals	350	350
	Festival	4402	Music Acts	3000	3000
		4405	Equip/Toilets/Tables/Chairs	325	325
		4406	Printing Programmes	500	500
		4408	Bunting	275	275
		4413	Road Closures/Licenses	75	75
		4430	Transport	350	350
				4875	4875
320	Capital	4503	Climate Change	3500	0
		4528	Library Furniture	1000	1000
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