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**Town Mayor: Cllr M J Brown**

**Town Clerk: P B Bennett**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Redruth Town Council Engagement Committee held at Redruth Civic Centre, Alma Place, Redruth on Monday 3rd April 2023

Present: Cllr D Reeve Chair  
Cllr S Barnes  
Cllr A Biscoe  
Cllr H Biscoe  
Cllr M Brown  
Cllr B Craze  
Cllr C Skinner  
Cllr I Thomas

In attendance: S White Engagement Officer  
C Coomber Administration Manager

PART I – PUBLIC SESSION

**1522.1 To receive apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Broad, Collins, Garrick, and Smith (other commitments)

**1522.2 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.

**1522.3 To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the;**

**1522.3.1 Engagement Committee held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

RESOLVED by Majority that the Minutes of the Engagement Committee Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023 be accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings. [Proposed Cllr Thomas; Seconded Cllr Brown] Cllrs A Biscoe, H Biscoe, and Craze abstained.

**1522.3.2 Interim Engagement Committee held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

RESOLVED by Majority that the Minutes of the Interim Engagement Committee Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 be accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings. [Proposed Cllr A Biscoe; Seconded Cllr Thomas] Cllr Brown abstained.

**1522.4 Clerks Report**

A report was circulated prior to the meeting. The Engagement Officer gave a verbal update with more information about the Town Centre Hub, advising the Engagement committee that there is currently a collection of different agencies looking existing projects and finding gaps. The Engagement officer is also in regular contact with Eugene at Redruth School. Cllr Thomas asked if Agents for Change would be invited to participate in the conversations? The Engagement officer confirmed that A4C would be invited to become involved. The

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Engagement officer mentioned that most of the work currently being carried out is preparatory, and no funding or grant applications have yet been submitted until all details are finalised and a potential location is found. Cllr Thomas asked that the Engagement officer consider talking to Pool School as well as Redruth. The Engagement officer confirmed that the committee will be regularly updated on any progress of this work. The report was noted.

**1522.5 To receive correspondence.**

No correspondence had been received.

**1522.6 To receive a verbal update from the President of Redruth & District Chamber of Commerce on the work of the Chamber.**

Unfortunately, Mr Hernandez was unable to attend the meeting. Cllr Reeve gave a brief verbal update on behalf of Mr Hernandez. The Chamber of Commerce had recently held its AGM, where most current officers had been retained. The planned shared prosperity fund application has now been joined together with the Redruth Revival cultural consortium application to hopefully benefit the whole town.

**1522.7 Report from the Engagement Officer on her department's work to date**

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Brown asked the Engagement officer if the Chamber of Commerce had been out with the Engagement team to approach businesses in the Town? The Engagement officer confirmed that this had not yet happened, primarily due to the recent Chamber of Commerce recent elections, but that it was on the list of priorities. Cllr Reeve asked for more information of the appointment of a new CPM. The Engagement officer confirmed member of the current team would be Acting up temporarily, and that a more permanent role was being discussed with Skylight. The Engagement officer informed the committee that there had been a good response for nominations for the Local Hero Awards. Cllr Reeve asked what would happen after the twelfth podcast had been recorded. The Engagement officer confirmed that there would be a couple of additional episodes available, and that the Engagement team were now in a much better position to be able to record their own podcasts following the purchase of mobile recording equipment. The Admin Manager confirmed that she would circulate the notes from the festival engagement meetings. The report was noted.

**1522.8 Report on the work of the Library from the Library & Information Service Team Leader**

A report had been circulated prior to the meeting. Unfortunately, due to illness the Library & Information Service Team Leader was unable to attend the meeting. Cllr A Biscoe asked if the warm space area would be continuing? The Engagement officer confirmed that there would be space left for the jigsaw, and the area would be kept as a "safe space" during the warmer months. The whole foyer area of the library is being looked at to make the most of the space. Cllr Barnes asked if the ILS team leader could look at making the pricing of items in the display cabinet clearer. The Engagement officer confirmed that this would be investigated further. Cllr Brown wished to thank the ILS team leader on all her hard work carried out for the recent Passmore Edwards Festival. It had been a successful event, with lots of positive publicity for the town. The report was noted.

**1522.9 Update from Climate Working Group**

The Climate working group had not yet met as a group. But the CPIR climate group had recently had a talk from Cornwall Council environment team representative, to discuss weed killing hot foam machine recently purchased by Camborne Town Council. Cllr Reeve suggested that it may be possible for RTC to borrow it at a cost.

**Chairperson**

