

Liskeard Town Forum

Dalva An Dre Lyskerrys

Meeting Notes April 2024

Items that were discussed at our public meeting

Location: Council Chamber, Liskeard Public Hall, 3-5
West Street PL14 6BW

Date: Wednesday 24 April 2024 at 7.30pm

1 Welcome

The Chairman sent his apologies as he was unable to attend the meeting due to ill health, therefore the Vice Chair led the meeting. She invited attendees to introduce themselves.

Apologies had been received from Julian Smith, Lori Reid and Chris Kay

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 Sergeant Pete Holland delivered an update on the anti social behaviour issues discussed previously and was pleased to advise members that the situation was generally improved. The Youth

offending team had been involved in dealing with the worst offenders.

He referred to a website Police.uk where the number of top reported crimes and crime level overview for Liskeard could be viewed.

HE confirmed that the front desk at Liskeard Police Station was due to be opened in early 2025 and the nearest alternatives at present were Looe or Bodmin.

In response to a question regarding the speed of traffic and unacceptable noise of motorbikes in the centre of Liskeard he encouraged members of the public to submit a report of incidences and if possible registration numbers to help the Police investigate the problem if it becomes unacceptable.

5 Open Session Members of the Public

No items were forthcoming.

6 CCTV Town Centre

With the introduction of 2 new CCTV cameras in the vicinity of Castle Gardens and Sungart Lane this brought the number of cameras within Liskeard to 10. The cameras operate 24 hours per day and are monitored 44 hours per week at Camborne.

7 Updates on Current Projects - Marketing Liskeard - Distance to Attractions Idea -

Tracy Adams updated members on the progress to raise the profile of Liskeard Town Centre. The working group held a meeting on 22 February. Tracy invited Mike Allsopp (Liskeard Radio) to the next meeting.

Tracy had produced a draft poster highlighting the main local attractions with the proximity to Liskeard included. She was keen to put the poster on social media. Daniel Sturrock had suggested

short videos and photographs to make public the attractions and heritage within Liskeard but was waiting for better weather. There was a significant lack of signage alongside the A38 in both directions heading towards Liskeard, resulting in no information about the railway station, museum and leisure centre amongst others. Chris Kay would consult other group schemes to establish the process of obtaining brown signs and Sue Jewell would contact Highways for guidance.

8 Constitution - Steve Vinson

Steve Vinson highlighted section 2 of the membership section and suggested that in order to qualify as a member of the Forum a member of the public should attend at least 2 meetings per annum. He confirmed that quarterly meetings were appropriate.

It was Proposed by Sue Jewell and Seconded by Diane Ware and unanimously agreed that section 2 be amended.

9 Farming - James Moon

James Moon has always been a passionate representative of the local farming industry when mining and farming had been the main commerce in the area. He had received a Community Champion Award 2024 for his commitment to farming.

For some years James had concentrated mainly on beef cattle and sheep but with the abattoirs closing the local farmers market had been a big advantage and the Moon family had been the last to drive their stock to market through Sungirt Lane. Apart from Mole Valley Farmers most businesses supporting the farming industry had gone.

Many farms were diversifying into the tourist industry together with the bio diversity programme to plant more trees.

Finally he highlighted the wealth of heritage within Liskeard but he felt that adequate cheap parking was essential to encourage visitors.

10 Foodbank - Visit - To Feedback - Tracy Adams and Lori Reid

Fruit Squash

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<div>LISKEARD TOWN FORUM</div> <div>Income & Expenditure Report - 1 April 2024 to 24 April 2024</div>									
Deposit Account			Current Account	Cheque Number					
Balance 31.03.24		3,045.79	Balance 31.03.24			303.53			
Interest			LTC - Room Hire	137		-15.00			
			Tindle Newspapers	138		-93.60			
Income		3,045.79	Expenditure			194.93			

Mike Allsopp (Liskeard Radio) offered to invite members of the public to LTF meetings as part of his contract.

12 **Planning Update**

PLANNING UPDATE

Update on a previous planning applications considered by the Town Forum

PA23/06474 | 5 bedroom rear single storey extension to existing house in multiple occupation | **Webbs Cottage Pike Street**
Liskeard PL14 3JQ

It was reported that the concerns of the Forum , local residents and the Town Council had been considered by the case officer prior to issuing a conditional planning permission and that advice had been sought from the “Police Designing Out Crime Officer” and his advice (upon such matters as making the pedestrian approach safer by use of lighting and CCTV) had been attached to the planning permission as an informative.

Pre-apps (Only the Town Council can comment)

- PA24/00305/PREAPP | Pre application advice for proposed development of land for 3 storage units. | Land Adjacent to **Wadeland Terrace New Road** Liskeard Cornwall.

It was suggested that the Town Council, when responding to this consultation, might wish to consider the report of the Appeals Inspector about the suitability of this site when the planning application for 4 dwellings here had been dismissed in 2016.

New planning applications of interest

PA22/03642 | Full planning for the erection of 202 dwellings and associated works | **Land At Tencreek Farm** Plymouth Road Liskeard PL14 3PS – AMENDED PLANS SUBMITTED

It was reported that Menheniot PC had unanimously objected to this latest application following a public meeting on 18th April and concerns expressed about the need to comply with the approved Menheniot Neighbourhood Plan and that the infrastructure couldn't cope with the additional housing. Liskeard Town Council still had to meet to discuss the details and both the Liskeard and Menheniot Neighbourhood Plans were relevant.

Concern was expressed at the Forum at the lack of an adequate Phasing Plan and an adequate package of S106 commitments. **There is an objection to unsustainable piecemeal housing development that would undermine the proper planning of a mixed used urban expansion of this area, put strains on the towns infrastructure and outstrip the rate at which employment land becomes available.**

The applicants state that they have been working with adjacent owners to create a co-ordinated masterplan in accordance with the

Neighbourhood Plans so if the application is approved. It would not be unreasonable therefore for any S106 Agreement to include the following:

1. 1) Provision for a phased housing development to require housebuilding to cease at some stage whilst employment and community facilities are provided. Alternatively it is suggested that, prior to 50% occupancy sufficient finance is deposited with the local planning authority to provide 6 workshops on the masterplan site (or another approved site in the Liskeard Area).
2. 2) The applicants agree to the provision of Education, Affordable Housing , NHS and POS payments to the local planning authority prior to 50% occupancy. However waiting for the development of 100 dwellings to be built and occupied will put unwarranted strains on the towns infrastructure (including schools and surgeries) and it is suggested that these payments are made prior to 25% occupancy and that payment for bus shelters are included.

Alan Hartridge volunteered to appraise the planning officer at CC of the preferred S106 agreement and this was supported by the Vice Chaiman.

13 **A.O.B.**

No items were raised.

Dates of Future Meetings

31 July 2024 - 7.30pm

30 October 2024 - 7.30pm

29 January 2025 - 7.30pm

Attendance

Chair	Apologies
Vice Chair	Tracy Adams

Secretary
Minutes

Steve Vinson
Wendy Parry

Mike Allsopp	Liskeard Radio
Lin Moore	LTA
Sue Jewell	SECTA
Di Ware	SECTA
James Moon	Farmer
Alan Hartridge	Resident
PO Gary Smith	Liskeard Police
Maureen Collins	Resident
Anthony Langdon	Resident
Julie Groves	Resident
Alan Groves	Resident
Malcolm Mort	Resident

