



MINUTES of the Torpoint Town Partnership (TTP) meeting held virtually on Wednesday 17th March 2021 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs Chris Goodman - The Mayor (Chair), Cllr Ms Rachel Evans BEM, Cllr Mrs Kim Brownhill - Treasurer, Paul Smythe - Community Hub and Library Development Manager (CH&LDM), Cllr Mrs Julie Martin, Cllr Gary Davis, Mrs Kelly-Jane Brown, Richard Pymm.

		ACTION
1.	Welcome - Chairman The Chairman welcomed all members to the meeting.	
2.	Apologies for absence Mrs Jenny Hughes and Mrs Becky Lingard.	
3.	Declarations of interest relating to items on the agenda None declared.	
4.	Appreciations Cllr Chris Goodman informed those attending that she had received a letter from The Torpoint & Rame Peninsula Lions (The Lions), thanking the TTP for the money they had received from funds raised by the TTP over the Christmas period. On behalf of The Lions, Richard Pymm said thank you very much in person for the donation, as their own fund raising efforts had suffered due to COVID-19. They had managed to raise £1,400.00 on Santa's Sleigh, but this amount was approximately one third of what they would normally expect to achieve. However, it was still a respectable amount considering the circumstances, and the money donated by the TTP would further add to that total.	
5.	Minutes of the previous virtual meeting held on Wednesday 20th January 2021 The minutes for the previous meeting were read and accepted as an accurate record of the last meeting. During the previous meeting (AOB), the requirement to formally appoint someone to be the TTP Town Team Advisory Group representative was discussed. Therefore, Cllr Chris Goodman used this opportunity to propose that Cllr Kim Brownhill be that someone. However, Cllr Gary Davis believed it would be better if the representative was not a councillor, and Cllr Rachel Evans BEM was concerned that making a formal decision now would be unnecessarily hasty. Cllr Chris Goodman added that there was also a number of TTP members not in attendance, who would normally be expected to be present.	

	<p>So after much discussion, it was decided that Cllr Kim Brownhill would continue to be the interim TTP Town Team Advisory Group representative, until the matter could be further discussed at the next TTP meeting in May, following the local council elections.</p>	
6.	<p>Report from the Treasurer Cllr Kim Brownhill informed the meeting that the balance in accounts was £3,701.84, of which £1,179.08 was set aside for defibrillator fund money. Leaving a total of £2,522.76 available.</p> <p>Cllr Kim Brownhill was also able to confirm that a total of £630.00 was raised by the Virtual Christmas campaign. This money has been split evenly, and donated to the following organisations: The Lions, St James Church, and Cornerstone Church. Mrs Kelly-Jane Brown said that now she had confirmation of the final total, she would publish this information on the Facebook page.</p>	Mrs Kelly-Jane Brown
7.	<p>Local Community Markets update Cllr Chris Goodman asked Cllr Rachel Evans BEM to provide an update, and Cllr Rachel Evans BEM replied by saying that the first street market would be held end of April 2021. It was hoped that the final market in November 2021, would coincide with the Christmas lights switch on event. Cllr Chris Goodman thanked Cllr Rachel Evans BEM for all her planning and organising.</p>	
8.	<p>Plastic Free Allies/Plastic Communities Pledge Cllr Chris Goodman updated everyone about the Community Free Community status bid. Having successfully completed Plastic Free Communities Objective 2, by holding three community events to raise awareness of the Plastic Free agenda, the next objectives were to get support from Torpoint Town Council (at the next council meeting on Thursday 18th March 2021), and grow fifteen Community Allies.</p> <p>Carbeile Junior School, Torpoint Community College, and the Library and Community Hub have already signed the Plastic Free Community Allies pledge. The Library and Community Hub pledge is currently displayed on the noticeboard outside the main entrance. The Torpoint Community Cinema and The Lions will each make decisions on their participation at their next respective meetings. It was hoped that the U3A would also give their support from September 2021.</p> <p>Cllr Chris Goodman concluded the update by saying that she was currently waiting for people to get back to her, and was hoping to be able to complete everything required by the end of May 2021.</p>	
9.	<p>Town Events to add to the Diary At the beginning of this item, Cllr Chris Goodman asked Cllr Rachel Evans BEM to take over from her as Chair, due to technical problems.</p> <p>Cllr Julie Martin reminded everyone that at the previous meeting it was decided that Saturday 24th July 2021 would be the provisional date for this year's carnival; one week after the provisional date for The Lions Summer Fair.</p> <p>Richard Pymm however, mentioned that since then, The Lions had changed the date for their Summer Fair to Saturday 11th September, due to lockdown uncertainty. Cllr Julie Martin said that there was plenty of time before a final decision regarding the date had to be made, as long as sufficient time was allowed to submit a road closure application (twelve weeks before a planned event). Cllr Kim Brownhill added that if the date for the carnival was to be Saturday 24th July 2021, a road closure</p>	

	<p>application would need to be submitted at the beginning of May 2021. Cllr Rachel Evans BEM suggested that two road closure applications be submitted; one for July 2021 and the other for September 2021. This action would give greater flexibility to deal with currently unknown potential COVID-19 restrictions in the future.</p> <p>Richard Pymm confirmed that The Lions Annual Summer Walk would definitely not be going ahead, due to the impracticalities imposed by Mount Edgcumbe.</p> <p>Cllr Julie Martin said that the date for the Christmas lights switch on event was still to be decided, but confirmed that the four-day weekend to celebrate Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, would be from Thursday 2nd June 2022 to Sunday 5th June 2022.</p> <p>On behalf of Cllr Chris Goodman, Cllr Julie Martin also informed everyone that Monday 5th July 2021 was NHS, Social Care, and Frontline Workers' Day. See here for more information.</p>	
10.	<p>Any other Business</p> <p>Richard Pymm said that in December 2021, The Lions were looking at the possibility of having a Santa's Grotto at Mount Edgcumbe over one weekend, followed by another the following weekend at the Library and Community Hub.</p> <p>Last Christmas ninety six slots were available over two weekends at the Library and Community Hub, but only 50% of those slots were actually taken. But with better advertising, and possibly without any COVID-19 imposed restrictions, he was confident that attendance figures would be higher next time. Cllr Rachel Evans BEM said that as it was the first time last year, the attendance figures can only get better, so she was very keen to have Santa's Grotto and The Lions back.</p> <p>Cllr Rachel Evans BEM then continued by informing the meeting that Tuesday 23rd March 2021, the first anniversary of the first UK lockdown, would be a National Day for Reflection. A day for everyone to come together to reflect on our collective loss, support those who've been bereaved, and hope for a brighter future. See here for more information.</p>	
11.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 18th May 2021 at 7.00pm (virtual meeting).</p>	