

## Milly Southworth

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TORPOINT. TOWN COUNCIL
Attention of Town Mayor Town Council & Town Clerk.
Date of Transmission Oct 16/23.

Good afternoon Milly

I hope you and Harriet are both well.

Some time ago You as Town Clerk Millie invited me to attend your open day to inspect the proposals to transform the town's warterfront '

Regretably my old age and bones got in the way for this please accept my apologies for it was certainly not disinterest that got in the way.

Before I bore you with my written comments I would ask you all to familiarise yourselves with the written judgement of THE judge who presided over the Truro Court. FOUR DAY hearing of Pamela Voaden v Torpoint Town council & The Torpoint Mooring Association.

I now take it as your reading on that you have familiarised yourself with the history of why we had no option but to take the Town Council and the TMA fellow council members (ASTHEY WERE THEN ONE AND THE SAME) maybe if your the same Garry Davis who joined my flagship TRAG fellow councillors who failed to transform Torpoint for its people and put an end to Torpoint being just for the controlling TMA?

So you will have read in the learned Judges written Judgement the words why did you as TTC & TMA not heed the stark warning in writing that if THE REVERT of the already approved new promenade was built its structure would ineveitably be the causation of the long standing ability of the daily tides to self scour TOWN BEACH and cause the total failure of the tides to clear all Flotsam / Jetsam from The Sea Wall of the ANTONY ESTATES old Coach / Ferry House circa 1703 when the then Cllr Watkiss warned you all would be the case.

By now you all will be wondering what has this historic case which resulted in a inperpertunity Court Order for the twice annually clean of Town Beach got to do with the highly costly transformation of The Same Beach drawn up by so called exerts of today ??.

The answer is simplicity itself. A Major Feature of The Scheme is the proposed jetty that is to be built on Antony Estates Town Beach Foreshore stretching from Rendal Park to either Northward of The Ballast Pound Marina or Southward of same roughly on the low water mark ???. Taking that as correct please read on.

Please accept this statement in the same context as that given all those years ago to T T Councillors re above Judgement.

It is my professional opinion that said structure if built would result in the same entrapment of Flotson /Jetsum ranging from acres of Seaweed-- Large Timbers --Oil Booms - dead sheep - Carcuses of fully grown COWS etc etc being brough ashore beneath this proposed structure & totally entrapped within Town Beach which so affected Van House by increasing the land area above high water that allowed the resident sand hopper population to bread into their BILLIONS with no where to go on incoming tides except the entire exterior/interior space of Van House. All stated within above Judgement.

At best the only option left to the occupiers of Van House ( Currently Pamela & I would be to go back to court and state the only

( Possible way out of the inevitable increase of beach height that WOULD RESULT ) was to increase the beach cleans to ONCE PER MONTH ) or maybe WEEK. ?.

That is the case I would suggest you place before your own solicitors before council votes on this problematic venture you are all so enthused about. May I also suggest that you ask for advise on the outcome of a possible claim against T T C and its councillors for

Cullperable manslaughter in the likely event that your proposed jetty structure causes the death of a pedestrian using same from falling from its seaweed strewn deck ( Which will be its norm )From personal LIFE TIME EXPERIANCE I can assure you all that will be a FACT/

Look at the history of..( dare I refer to it as Torpoint's PROMENADE which has suffered the neglect of any maintenance from any source since it was built all of  $25 \pm long$  years past .

As I started I don't know whether you Garry Davis are the same Davis who joined my Trag Team or not ???. Taking it that you are you will recall that it was my idea to transform this gateway to Cornwall from the scrapyard of way past their life old boats that littered the side of the exit lanes from The Torpoit Ferry as I wanted to start a new Torpoint for all its people and the thousands of incoming . If you do recall those far distant days you will also recall that The Promenade was not my first choice and that I offered The Town TEN MATURE 30 ft high Palm Trees (. to be planted by others). FREE OF. CHARGE. Planted fro Rendal Park to the top of Harvey Street. All others had to do was provide a site for them and attach a ring seat to all for your people, remember? and my offer was turned down, of course it was. I don't have to dwell on

Have to close now but the above is deadly serious and not to be taken as such is at your own peril . Please for your own benefit ask

wondering why.

your solicitor how you all stand in the event of a Life Changing fall by Children or late night Drunks using one of the two lovely benches

The Antony Estate have allowed you to install on their property (betwixt Mr Spurrel,s new house and the now demolished Old Temperance

hall )down the death trap steps to the beach at the end of same. These steps built generations past not only fail to conform to current acceptable standards in Rise or Depth but are all subject and coated in very Slimy. Wet Sea Weed . Sights we REGULARLY OBSERVE

whilst enjoying one of our balcony overlooking these steps are of hearing the cries of pain from those who fall down them. So far they have all been WALKING WOUNDED the next could be life threatening or even Life changing.

Sorry Milli one final task for your memory bank that needs to be put before council and said solicitors= I believe my arch enemy the then Cllr Derek Southworth the solicitors of solicitors of though it was way before your time with TTC you may just recall Southworth's successful legal battle with his neighbour Watts to HALT the building of a road access on the beach behind their properties to the BALLAST POUND then owned by my then councillor colleague Terry Mason who was half way through the construction of same ?? having been granted planning permission.

Yes you do recall so you will fully recall the absolute power of RIPARIAN RIGHT'S. The rights that forced Mr Mason not only to halt

the road"s construction but remove all the loads of rock to support the road already laid from site. These same RIPARIAN RIGHTS

are held by not only Van House but also Mr Allen and Mr Spurrall, Old Torpoint Rowing Club, Carew Wharf etc. Though I have yet to see the full build drawings of your councils proposal for this mind

bogelling jetty walkway to oblivion from what I have seen it would obstruct the safe passage of vessels heading for or leaving the above RIVER SIDE PROPERTIES which of course legally cannot be allowed. Unlike Messrs Southworth & Watts who waited until Mr Mason had financed 75 % of the road build before launching their legal attack which brought with it heavy legal costs against Mr Mason you all know I am not that sort of person, me as always you get my drift up front . Do not hesitate to run all my facts detailed above before your legal people for the costs would be a fraction of costs should this ill thought out project ever get off just being a picture.

Look forward to hearing from you or your solicitor;

Regards. Michael. A. Watkiss. Capt M. N. RTD. copy to Antony Estate