TORPOINT TOWN PARTNERSHIP

MINUTES of the meeting held on Thursday 9th December at 7.30 pm in the Committee Room, Council Chambers, 4 York Road, Torpoint.

PRESENT:- Councillor E H Andrews (Town Mayor/Chairman), Mrs R A Southworth (Town Council), Mr C Fowle (Town Council/RNA), Mrs L Murray (Chairperson CHAT), Mrs A Hazeldine (Head Teacher – Torpoint Community College), Mr T Moore (Deputy Town Mayor), Mr B Visick (Cornish Language), Mr J Whiting (Vice Chairman – CHAT), Mr J Higgins (Torpoint and Rame Lions), Miss D Farley (UK Youth Parliament), Cdr M Harris and the Town Administrator.

APOLOGIES:- Mr J Creek (Chairman RNA), Mrs L Jeavons (Chamber of Commerce) and Mr M Jeavons (Torpoint and Rame Lions).

The Town Mayor welcomed all to the meeting and reviewed the minutes of the last meeting (9th September 2010).

POTENTIAL PROJECTS

CORNISH GORSEDD 2014 – PRESENTATION BY MAUREEN FULLER – DEPUTY GRAND BARD OF CORNWALL

The Deputy Grand Bard of Cornwall read aloud the attached 'Notes for the Information and Guidance of the Local Organising Committee'. The Town Mayor expressed his excitement at the opportunity to host the Gorsedd in Torpoint and the need to form a 'Local Organising Committee', perhaps a sub-committee of the T.T.P., with the necessity of the elected Chairman to remain the same to provide continuity and not be affected by Mayor or Councillor changes. Various ideas on location of event, numbers expected, car parking, events to organise during the week, publicity, etc were discussed. The Town Mayor identified the need to arrange site visits with key players and the Site Marshall, preferably early in the new year. This should be a whole Town event with youth contribution and participation.

DIAMOND JUBILEE 2012

The Town Mayor identified the necessity of forming a Committee and as there is only 18 months to go decisions need to start being made and funding sourced. 2012 is a busy year with the Olympics and the Silver anniversary of the Twinning Association, certain people and organisations will be invited to form the 2012 Committee. The Town Administrator was requested to contact manufacturers of possible momento's of the occasion and enquire as to the lead times. Badges, coins, disposable cameras, were given as ideas and perhaps a firework display in the evening.

LEARNING DISABILITY FORUM - PRESENTED BY SHARON CORNELIUS

Sharon Cornelius needed to establish exactly what is required in the Torpoint area and who would be involved in the Forum. She went on to explain various types of forums which included local people, business people, parents, carers, people with disabilities who would all have an interest in participating and giving people with disabilities support and a voice on projects/events in the Town. At present there is no day care facility in Torpoint, providing people with disabilities the opportunity to access projects they would not normally be able, the nearest one is in Liskeard. Funding for projects is going through a process of change where individuals are now assessed and given a personal budget. People with disabilities are being encouraged to integrate more with the community rather than using a specific day care facility. Transport links and cost were identified as a problem for the Torpoint area. It was recommended a mail shot be sent out to possible interested people inviting them to a meeting to discuss the way forward.

TRAFFIC MARSHALLS - TORPOINT POLICE

A representative of the Torpoint Police reported there was not much forward movement since the last meeting. The police anticipate a number of private companies will be offering courses in Traffic Marshalling in the near future. The Town Mayor didn't think there would be a problem finding volunteers or funding for training. During the transition phase the police will still provide a presence until systems are properly in place. The Town Mayor stated that a system should be in place by Easter and the police will keep the Council informed of developments.

DATE OF CIVIC PARADE/CONTINENTAL MARKET 2011

The date will be put to Full Council to establish Councillors views. The Mayor will propose we have a fixed date which in future could prevent a clash of event dates.

INTERIM MEETING REQUIREMENTS

- 1 Site meeting with Gorsedd Marshalls
- 2 Royal Wedding Friends of Thanckes Park should be invited to work with the Torpoint Town Partnership to co-ordinate events.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No movement on the Town logo competition.

DATE OF NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING

Thursday 10th March 2011 @ 7.30 pm