



Notes

Meeting Title: Hayle Beach Access

Date: Tuesday 21st June 2011

Time: 2 pm

Location: The Cove, Riviere Towans, Hayle

Attendees: Cllr John Pollard (Cornwall Council); Richard Hocking (Soils and Materials Engineer - Cornwall Council); Mike Peters (Area Highways Manager - Cornwall Council); Tim Bird (Countryside Manager - Cornwall Council); Kate Biljon (Community Regeneration Officer - Cornwall Council); Belinda Edwards (Landscape Architect - Cornwall Council); Cath Empson (Network Support - Cornwall Council); Alison Clough (Countryside Officer - Cornwall Council); Mr John Toms (Secretary - Riviere Towans Management); Mr Newton Childs (Riviere Towans Management); Mrs S La Touche; June Donnery (Haven); John Burlinson; Neill James (Hayle Town Council); Dave Parker (Hayle Surf Lifesaving Club)

Apologies: Cllr John Coombe (Cornwall Council) John Bennett (Mayor of Hayle)

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Welcome and Apologies

Everybody introduced themselves and apologies were given.

- Cllr Pollard explained that there was a sum of money from the Seaside Towns Initiative to be bid on and the bid had to be in by the 29th July so we had to get on with the work very quickly. There was a pot of £400,000 and this was divided by 12 seaside towns.
- **Beach Access.** It was agreed the way forward would be for improvement to be made to three access points to the beach. Tim Bird said that Steve Blatchford (Deputy Construction Services Manager – Cornwall Council) had done a site visit and was currently waiting for costed drawings for the entrance at the far end of the beach opposite Haven. Richard Hocking will review the current access points and provide an opinion on their suitability and how best we can provide disabled access – a slope. We need some opinion of

Steve Blatchford to get costed drawings.

Richard Hocking.

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- costs to put in our initial bid.
- **Signage** was flagged up as a problem and this would be looked into. It was suggested there should be a better sign on the level crossing.
 - Mike Peters would look at advanced signing before Leathleen lane junction on the main road and suggest ways to make where the Car Parks are much clearer to all. He also agreed to look at parking issues on the approach to Riviere Chalets and The Haven. Mike Peters.
 - **Footpath and lighting.** There was a discussion on whether a footpath would be beneficial. Mike Peters to review historical suggestions and make some recommendations.
 - **Emptying of bins** - The café does not appear to provide a bin and staff from Haven Holidays currently litter pick and empty bins. It was agreed from Phillack Churchtown another bin was needed. JP would approach the Cove Café about bins and Sue Nicholls would be asked for a second large bin in the Cove and more frequent emptying. J Pollard and K Biljon – a second bin provided.
 - **Dog bins** – June Donnery agreed that Haven would pay for a dog bin on Mrs La Touche’s land at the bottom of the steps to The Haven by the sign (which was agreed) and pay for it and arrange for the emptying of it. Details sent to June Donnery re dog bins.
 - **Toilets** – these are not open during the winter months and it was agreed these should be open earlier. Discussions need to be opened with relevant Officers to investigate additional costs. It was pointed out that the toilets are wrong on the “Discover Hayle” map. JP to speak to Discover Map Group.
 - **Dogs on beaches** - This was discussed. It was felt this should be changed from the ban from 7 am to 8 pm. Cllr Pollard said that this was challenged by Hayle Town Council and he explained that HTC can change the rules but will have to pay the costs of any new order and also enforce it. Tim Bird agreed to look at Dog Ban signs. Tim Bird to look at Dog Ban signs.
 - A new Cornwall Council policy has been adopted that they only clean beaches they own. As this stretch of coast is owned by approximately 8 different people it would not be cleaned. It was felt this was very bad policy and Cllr Pollard said that it was deplorable that it has been stopped for this year without any warning and he was lobbying for Cornwall

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Council to continue to clean the beaches.

- There was a discussion about the possibility of employing a Community Pride Officer, this may be achieved with match funding. Section 106 monies were discussed as regarding the sustainability of this post. Commercial partners would be happy to consider financial support.
- Kate Biljon to prepare job descriptions and possible costings.

K Biljon