

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP

MONDAY 24 OCTOBER AT 6.00PM IN THE COMMUNITY POP UP STUDIO, 70 LOWER MARKET STREET, PENRYN

Councillors

Dave Garwood, Mary May, Mark Snowdon

Co-optees

Martin Northern, Joanie Willett

Council Officers

Lauren Bayfield

Michelle Davey

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Chris Smith, Beverly Hulme and Rich Mitchell and Mark James, John Kirby and Simon Persighetti

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2016 were noted.

3. 'REIMAGINE YOUR TOWN' COMMUNITY PROJECT PRESENTATION BY BECALELIS BRODSKI

Becalelis Brodski presented on the ongoing community that was being exhibited in an empty shop in the town. The project was based around the past, present and future visions of Penryn. Visitors were able to view Penryn through a computer generated image of the town where all of the buildings and infrastructure had been removed. It was then possible to add to the scene with audio and visual files that could be accessed by scrolling around the landscape. Alongside this, ReImagine Your Town asked people to think of a moment in the past, present or future in Penryn and pin it on to a map. This displayed a lot of engagement and activity in the town centre but less on the outskirts and surrounding housing estates which the volunteers hoped to address.

The software had a potential future in a social networking format where layers of commercial mapping could also run alongside community projects including Neighbourhood Planning which would finance the community element. Proposed developments within planning applications could also be generated on to the map showing how a building would look in 3D form as opposed to architectural drawings which could improve public consultation.

It was thought that once the project came to an end in March, the Penryn version of 'ReImagine Your Town' would come under ownership of the town but would be looked after by InterAnima CIC.

4. RECRUITMENT OF NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROFESSIONAL

Discussion took place around the appropriate timing of appointing a Neighbourhood Plan professional.

It was agreed to contact various other Town Councils on their experience of contracting a professional.

5. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN TOOLKIT

At the last meeting of the Town Council the boundary for the plan had been approved. Following changes to legislation, the boundary no longer required a six-week consultation period and so Cornwall Council had already approved the boundary as the designated Neighbourhood Plan area.

At the informal meeting with the Community Link Officer, he had advised that the timeline for the plan would run over 3 years and had updated and circulated the Neighbourhood Plan toolkit to reflect this.

The next stage to be completed on the Toolkit would be to identify the aims and objectives of the plan. These would be taken from the responses to the initial questionnaires giving over-arching themes that would then be guided by further consultation. The Town Plan would also be referred to.

Another task to be completed from the Toolkit was to identify key stakeholders. Most land owners had already been identified through the development of the Local Plan but it was also necessary to approach developers, for example, with an interest in providing primarily affordable housing as an alternative to commercial developers.

Councillor May agreed to approach Cornwall Council planning officers that had been working on the Local Plan for information on developers and land owners.

Joanie Willett spoke briefly about the 'Penrynopoly' game that was being run in the Temperance Hall on 12 November as a drop-in event.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS

The date of the next meeting was noted as Monday 28 November at 6pm. It was agreed to include 'Aims and Objectives of the Neighbourhood Plan' at the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8pm.