

Minutes of a meeting of the Calstock Parish Council, CALSTOCK WATERFRONT WORKING PARTY held on Tuesday 17 July 2018,

in the Tamar Valley Centre commencing at 1800.

Those present were; -

COUNCILLORS Cllr Latham, Cllr Beech, Cllr Polglase, Cllr Riggs and Cllr Tinto Miss Clare Bullimore (Deputy Clerk - minutes).

In line with GDPR and local government legislation; members were reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (age, race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability) Crime and Disorder; Health and Safety and Human Rights. The Chairman asked people to speak clearly and explained that all meetings may be recorded covertly or overtly.

1. APOLOGIES

Sue Lemon, Clerk.

2. <u>DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS</u>

None

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Stirling

Mr Jackson

4. APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – 16-05-18

Proposal/Resolution: the minutes be approved (proposed: Cllr Beech, seconded: Cllr Tinto – unanimous).

5. UPDATE ON SLIPWAY

Some improvements with parking had been noted although there does seem to be times when people are still parking on the cobbles. Cllr Polglase said there could be some confusion as to where the hatching ends as people are parking beyond that. It had been suggested at the last Amenities Committee that planters be placed in the new year – it was felt this may be useful but due care would be required to ensure this did not block the way of boats. Cllr Polglase will contact the gig club to seek their advice.

6. BOAT MOORING

More information has been sought about the request from Mr Stirling for the large boat to be moored on the Parish Quay. The appropriate removal of bedrock is estimated (by a local contractor) to cost many thousands of pounds (£20,000 at least). It may be unlikely, but the quay itself could be undermined by such work and as such may need planning permission.



Plymouth Boat Trips do use the quay as an alternative mooring option and bring considerable income into the immediate local economy with between 40-50 trips per year. Cllr Tinto had pressed for more information having wanted to support the idea but feels it is now too prohibitive to continue.

Proposal/Resolution: with regret, to refuse the request to allow Mr Stirling's boat to be moored on the Parish Quay and to enter into discussions with the boat company about their contract due to them using the Parish Quay as an alternative 'mooring' (proposed: Cllr Tinto, seconded: Cllr Riggs).

7. CALSTOCK FLOOD DEFENCE

Cllr Tinto reported that he is hoping that the Parish Council will now be positive about the plans for the walkway. Recent discussions involving the Environment Agency (EA) and the Tamar Community Trust (TCT) will have, hopefully, allayed some concerns about the ownership of the walkway. Beach groynes which are redundant from Eastbourne could be procured and used to make a walkway which would be more cost effective. The TCT has agreed in principle to oversee the construction of the walkway and to take responsibility of the ongoing maintenance of it (including regular maintenance, annual inspections and necessary repairs). There has also been a positive expression of interest from the Cornwall Wildlife Trust (CWT) in managing the new habitat.

Currently the EA own the walkway because it is the flood defence but once breached it will no longer be, so the EA would cease to own it. The CWT will not own it as it, in itself, is not a habitat and constitutionally the TCT would not have the capacity to take on its ownership. However, Cllr Tinto feels that as some of the previous concerns of the Parish Council would be addressed the Parish Council should examine in principle taking on the ownership of it and taking legal advice on this.

Proposal/Resolution – the CWWP supports *in principle* making a recommendation to full council that the Parish Council should take legal advice about taking on the ownership of the walkway (proposed: Cllr Tinto; seconded: Cllr Latham – voting 4 in favour, 1 abstention).

The meeting closed at 1840	
Signed	. Date

Cllr Latham thanked Cllr Tinto for the great strides he has made with this.