

## Minutes of Open Spaces Group Meeting:

Held on Tues August 13<sup>th</sup> 2013 at 7.00 pm in The Council Chamber, Guildhall.

**1. Present:** David Todd (Chairman), Ann Buckley, Roger Weatherly, Rita Lait, , Dinah Oliver, Dr Rupert Manley, Tim Andrewes, Polly Carter, Ric Walker and Geoff Williamson.

**2. Apologies:** Paul Woodward, Tamsyn Williams and Rita Lait

**3. Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting of Tuesday July 30<sup>th</sup> were read and approved.

**4. Declaration of Member's Interest:** Dr Rupert Manley is a member of the Steeple Wood group. Other interests as previously stated.

### 5. Chairman's Update:

- a) Davis attended a Steering Group meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> August. At the meeting it was stated that the Chamber of Trade will co-ordinate information for businesses. There is no list of amenities/facilities. Ric has compiled a list, this was handed out. Some areas will overlap with open Spaces.
- b) Objective lists are to be given to Lucy. Davis has rewritten Open Spaces objectives. Davis informed the Steering Group meeting that the Open Spaces meetings are productive, the group is making good progress.
- c) David expressed concern at the tepid response from town councillors at their meeting of 18th July. He felt that councillors did not seem to understand the NP objectives. Tim stated that the councillors needed more information on NP. Maxine Armstrong will ensure that NP appears on the council meeting agendas .
- d) A copy of the questionnaire was given to each group member. This will be distributed to every house, via Royal Mail.
- e) Rex Henry will list commercial stakeholders.
- f) Morag Robinson has designed a poster on NP. This was available at the Steering Group meeting. Lucy would like ideas on where to site posters.
- g) There will be a meeting on August 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss consultation events.
- h) Road Show – Ric will send out a letter to community groups.

### 6. Action points from previous meeting:

- a) David has rewritten/updated Open Spaces Group objectives. Lucy has received these. Each group member received a copy. Objective lists from each group will go to Chantelle Randall and Marcus Healan to review.
- b) David had no emails on the strap line statement He has written a strap line for the Open Spaces group.  
***STRAP LINE: To protect and enhance our environmental assets, urban green spaces, countryside and biodiversity which will create health and social benefits.***
- c) Geoff reported on the talk by Mike Westerly at the Steeple Wood group AGM. Mike has devised a toolkit for use by communities when developing green spaces. He is keen to work with St Ives NP groups. Geoff will invite Mike to talk to the Open Spaces group, members of other groups will be invited to attend.

### 7. Consideration of questionnaire:

- a) The questionnaire is based on the document sent out by the Wadebridge NP group. Each group member received a copy. Members are asked to think about questions in the Open Spaces section, email alterations/suggestions to David.

### 8. Continuation of review of existing evidence:

- a) Ric provided a list of amenities and facilities.
- b) The group continued their review of Polly's Audit. This will be continued at our next meeting.

### 9. Action Points:

Consider questions on Open Spaces section in questionnaire.

### 10. Date/time of next meeting:

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00 pm, the Committee Room, the Guildhall.

The meeting ended at 8.30 pm.