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LICENSING COMMITTEE (MISCELLANEOUS) AGENDA SUPPLEMENT

DATE: TUESDAY 15 MARCH 2011
TIME: 10 AM
PLACE: COUNCIL HOUSE, PLYMOUTH (NEXT TO THE CIVIC CENTRE)

Members –

Councillor Mrs Bowyer, Chair
Councillor Delbridge, Vice Chair
Councillors Browne, Drean, K Foster, Gordon, King, Lock, Dr. Mahony,
Mrs Nelder, Mrs Nicholson, Rennie, Reynolds, Williams and Wright

Co-opted Representatives –

Members are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business overleaf

Members and Officers are requested to sign the attendance list at the meeting.

A location map of the venue is attached to the agenda*

BARRY KEEL
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

LICENSING COMMITTEE (MISCELLANEOUS)

- 5. APPLICATION FOR THE DESIGNATED PUBLIC PLACE ORDER (DPPO) TO CONTROL DRINKING IN FREEDOM FIELDS PARK AND TOTHILL PARK. (Pages 1 - 22)**

The Director for Community Services will provide the Committee with a report on the application for the Designated Public Place Order (DPPO) to control drinking in Freedom Fields Park and Tothill Park.

DEVON AND CORNWALL CONSTABULARY

From: PC 4507 HUNT MUTLEY/GREENBANK PLYMOUTH	To: SGT MARTIN WORTHINGTON LICENSING DEPT, CHARLES CROSS PLYMOUTH
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Ref.:	Your Ref.:
	Date: 4 th March 2011

Subject: DPPO APPLICATION FREEDOM FIELDS/TOTHILL PARK

The original application for the above application was heard by the Council on the 21st December 2010. At this hearing it was granted the approval for public consultation with the next hearing on the 15th March 2011.

As the Neighbourhood Beat Manager for Mutley and Greenbank I can say that since the 21/12/10 the continuence of the issues in Freedom Fields Park has persisted.

From Police Records there have been a further 16 calls to the Police about drink related disorder within the Park. These are summarised as below:-

At 1351hrs on the 21/12/10 Police were called to regular problem drinkers in the shelter, 6 of them there drinking and chucking cans on the floor and on nearby roof.

At 1956hrs on the 21/12/10 Police called about youths drinking in the Park and one had passed out.

At 2343hrs on the 08/01/11 Police were called to a large group in the centre shelter intimidating others using the park.

At 1315hrs on the 10/01/11 Police were called to males drinking and urinating in the Park.

At 1438hrs on the 17/01/11 Police were called to nuisance persons drinking alcohol in the Park.

At 1354hrs on the 18/01/11 Police were called about the street drinkers in the Park causing problems.

At 1538hrs on the 20/01/11 Police called about a group being abusive, consuming alcohol and urinating in public.

At 1814hrs on the 22/01/11 Police were called to the park for 5/6 youths who are described as drunk and sitting on top of the shelter.

At 1518hrs on the 27/01/11 Police called to 5-6 drunk persons, one described as shouting at a female.

At 1417hrs on the 03/02/11 Police called to a group of adults drinking in the park and concern for young people mixing with them.

At 1414hrs on the 08/02/11 Police called to a group of men and women drinking and being aggressive in the park.

At 2134hrs on the 14/02/11 Police called to a male in drink and being abusive and making racist remarks.

At 1340hrs on the 22/02/11 Police called for adults in the park drinking, swearing and being rowdy.

At 1614hrs on the 22/02/11 Police called to a street drinker who had just urinated in front of caller.

At 1505hrs on the 03/03/11 Police called to a male urinating in the shelter in the park.

At 1447 on the 04/03/11 Police called to the vagrants arguing in the park.

As you can see, with the exception of 4 logs all these incidents are occurring in daylight in the afternoon when the consumption of alcohol has taken place all morning. The afternoon is when this park is at its busiest with dog walkers and children using it after school.

In appendix A (attached) there are a number of photographs that have been taken by the Neighbourhood Team to show the level of mess that is left behind with cans/bottles and urination puddles.

Members of the Public continue to complain to Police when on Patrol in the park about the drinkers and their persistent occupation of the central shelter and the anti social behaviour that is caused. Residents are fearful of reporting due to the nature of those involved and avoid the area so not to end up in a confrontation with them.

The persistent use of the shelter must be also costing the council more time and money in terms of cleaning the area and power washing the stand. On nearly every occasion I have attended the smell within the shelter is a strong unpleasant urine smell.

The Police need the power of the DPPO in order to tackle the issue and restore the Park for its intended use for ALL members of the public.

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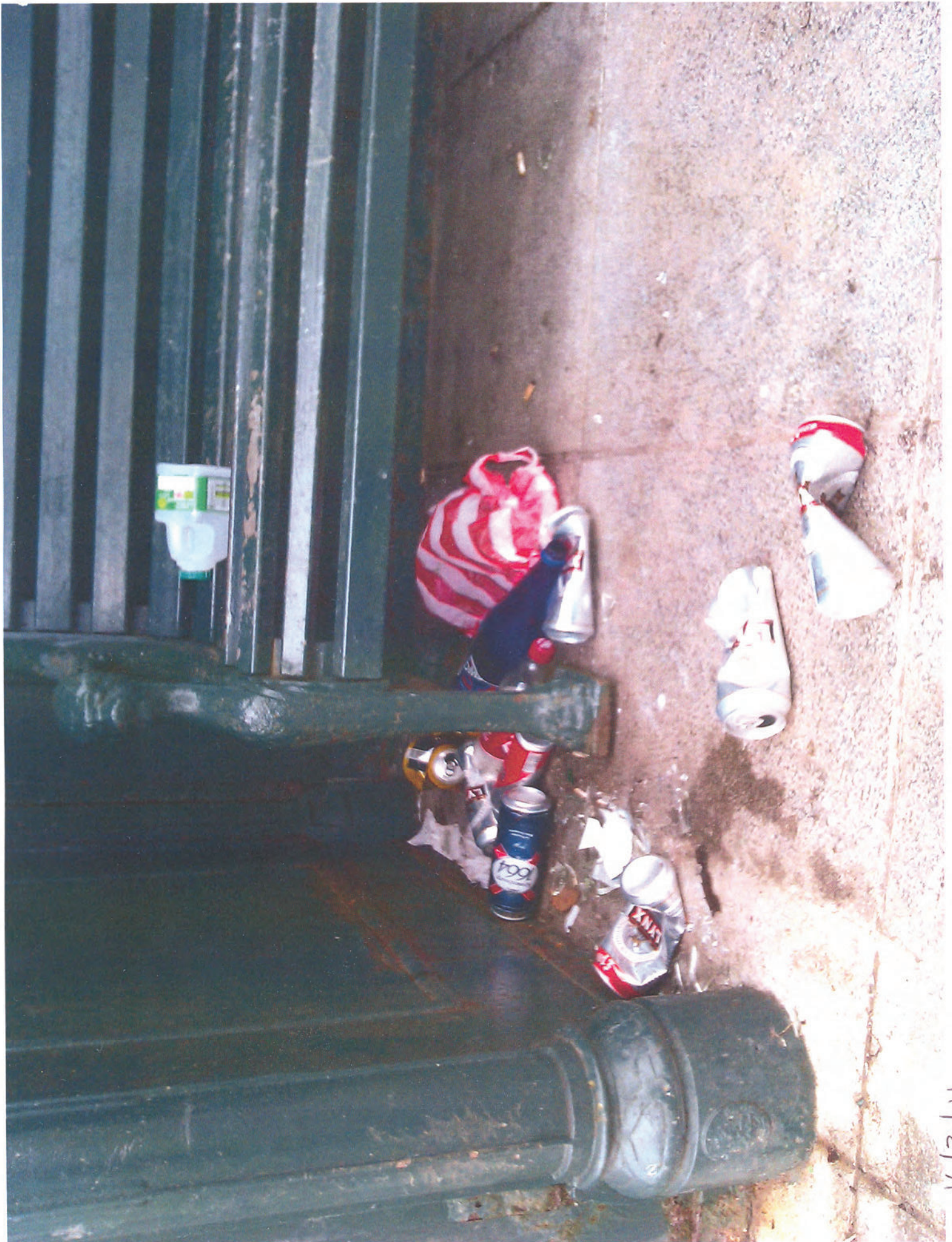
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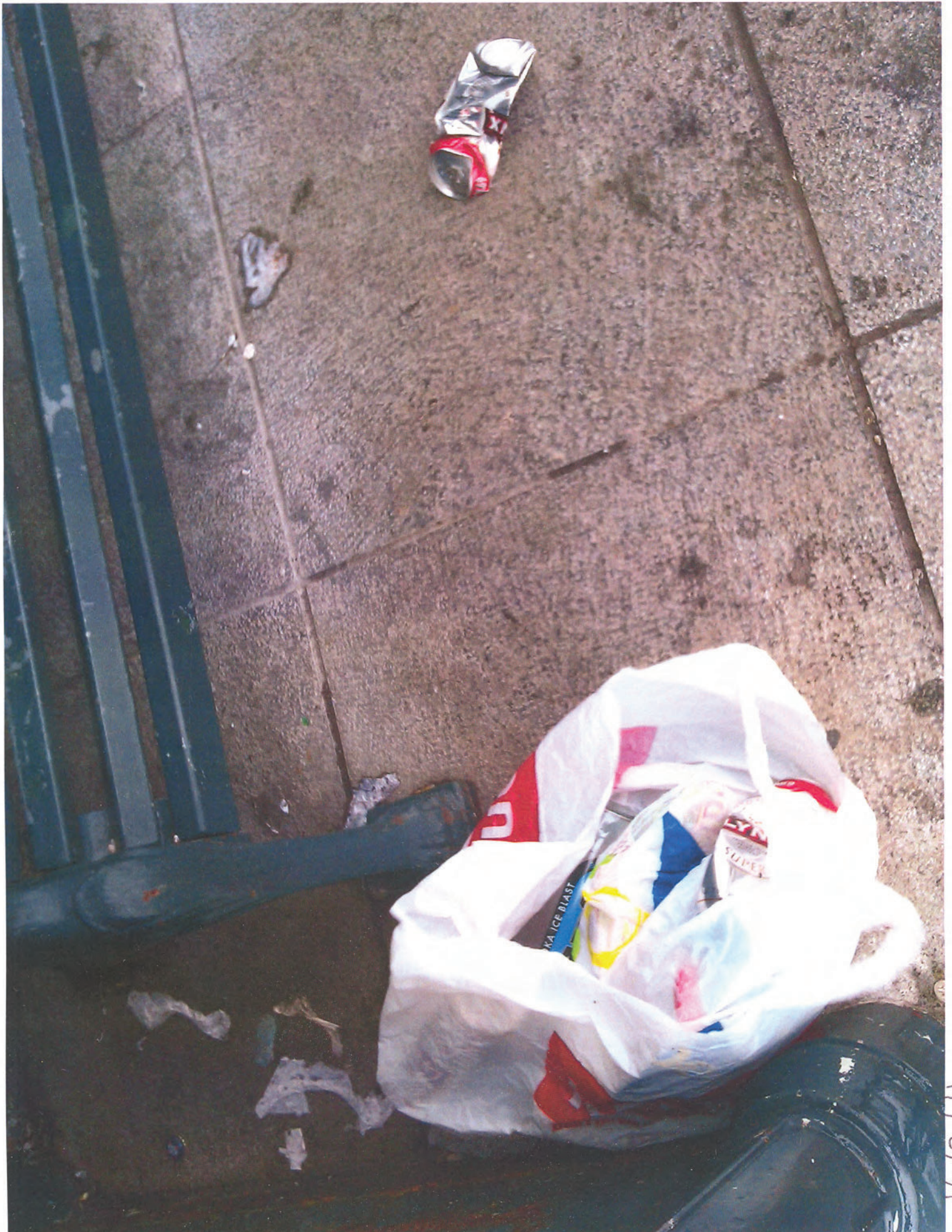


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