

Plymouth Local Access Forum

Monday 26 September 2016

PRESENT:

Mr Fairchild, in the Chair.

Mr I Stewart, Vice Chair.

Mr N Attrill, Councillor Ken Foster, Councillor Wendy Foster, Mr B Harvey, Ms P Hitchens, Mr D E Pawley and Councillor George Wheeler.

Apologies for absence: Mr Curno and Mr Skinner.

Also in attendance: Robin Pearce (Public Rights of Way Officer) and Lynn Young (Democratic Support Officer).

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 12.06 pm.

Note: At a future meeting, the committee will consider the accuracy of these draft minutes, so they may be subject to change. Please check the minutes of that meeting to confirm whether these minutes have been amended.

66. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declaration of interest was made in accordance with the Code of Conduct –

| Name | Subject | Reason | Interest |
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| Mr Pawley | South West Coast Path | Representative for the South West Coast Path Association | Personal |

67. MINUTES

Members reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on 13 June 2016. It was highlighted that the minutes should reflect that Patricia Hitchens was present for the meeting.

Agreed that subject to the minutes being amended as above, the minutes of the meeting held on 9 June 2016 are confirmed as a correct record.

68. CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

69. WORKING GROUPS

Officers advised the Forum that the Council had submitted a bid for £1.5 million to the Department for Transport. If successful the bid would allow the Council to promote sustainable travel as a means to access jobs, skills, education and training.

The focus would be on workplaces, schools, and new developments in key growth areas of the city. The outcome of the bid would be known in December 2016. The Forum resolved to establish a working group to produce a series of walks through Bircham Valley which could ultimately form part of a short walking guide, which could be promoted through the Walking for Health network, and to local businesses.

Agreed that Mrs Hitchens co-ordinates this project.

70. **NEPTUNE PARK WATERFRONT PATH**

Dave Pawley provided members with an update on the Neptune Park Waterfront Path.

Members were advised that there was a new development planned to the east of the park (to create a new wharf). Five members had viewed the site and investigated the feasibility of the waterfront path, which could be a useful improvement to the South West Coast Path.

Agreed that Officers would investigate the planning conditions relating to the path.

71. **WORK PROGRAMME**

Members considered the work programme.

Officers recommended the following items for inclusion on the work programme –

- Plymouth Plan
- Bircham Valley
- Millbay Docks development update
- Modification Order update

No decision was taken in relation to which items should be included on the work programme.

72. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Members noted that no correspondence had been received.

73. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Agreed that the next meeting of the Forum is held at 10.30 am on Monday 12 December 2016.

74. **ISSUES ARISING FROM FORUM MEMBERS**

The Vice Chair provided members with an update from the latest 'Huddle Hot Topics'.