

## **Plymouth Local Access Forum**

**Monday 29 October 2018**

### **PRESENT:**

Mr Stewart, Vice Chair in the Chair.

Mr Abraham, Mr Attrill, Mr Harvey, Councillor Morris and Mr Pawley.

Apologies for absence: Ms Cawthorn and Councillors Vincent and Wheeler.

Also in attendance: Robin Pearce (Public Rights of Way Officer) and Helen Rickman (Democratic Advisor).

The meeting started at 10.30 am and finished at 11.40 am.

*Note: At a future meeting, the Panel 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.*

### 57. **To appoint a Chair and Vice Chair**

Mr Stewart, Vice Chair, informed Members that this was his last meeting of the LAF as his membership was due to expire before the next scheduled meeting.

Agreed that the appointment of Chair and Vice Chair would be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

### 58. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

<b>Name</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Interest</b>
Mr Pawley	South West Coast Path	Representative for the South West Coast Path Association	Personal

### 59. **MINUTES**

Members agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2018.

Under this item the following was discussed:

- (a) the reduction in frequency of LAF meetings; Members were encouraged to meet regularly on an informal basis and report back to the formal LAF meetings.
- (b) LAFs involvement in major road schemes; it was agreed that a number of schemes were underway or due to proceed shortly that may be of interest to

the LAF, specifically in terms of the impact upon cycling – this information would be forwarded to Members;

- (c) Plymouth City Council's Daily News email: this was highlighted as a useful tool for the LAF to sign up to as it gave a brief news summary upon a variety of different areas of responsibility of the council including planning applications and major road developments.; it was agreed that the secretary would email LAF Members with a link to the Daily News section of the website so Members could sign up personally;
- (d) the feasibility of the re-instatement of the bridge at Hooe Lake.

60. **CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of Chair's Urgent Business.

61. **Coastal access update - Cremyll to Kingswear**

Robin Pearce (Public Rights of Way Officer) directed Members attention to the update included in the agenda.

Members discussed:

- (a) the Sutton Harbour footbridge and the temporary path;
- (b) the Mount Batten Ferry and the English Coast Path.

Members noted the update.

62. **Co-operative way Improvements**

Robin Pearce (Public Rights of Way Officer) advised Members that they may wish to be involved in small scale projects across the city linking to improvements on the cooperative way. No actions arose however Members were encouraged to contact Robin with projects.

Under this item Mr Attrill highlighted to Members the Pocket Pals App as it was considered that this may help to encourage young children and families to get out and about. Robin Pearce (Public Rights of Way Officer) advised Members that the Council used a Detour App, which was specifically currently linked in with Plymouth schools. The use of the Pocket Pals App was discouraged as it had 'in-app purchases'.

63. **WORKING GROUPS**

There was no update from Members regarding Working Groups.

There was a suggestion that Members may wish to form a working group to look at the Co-operative Way however Members did not put their name forward.

64. **WORK PROGRAMME**

Members did not put forward any items for inclusion on the work programme.

65. **CORRESPONDENCE**

There were no items of correspondence for Members to be updated upon.

66. **ISSUES ARISING FROM FORUM MEMBERS**

The following items were raised by Members:

- (a) Councillor Gosling had recently joined the Cycling Commission and had been on two rides with Members of the Commission and had also attended 2 meetings; Members of the Commission were glad that he was involved;
- (b) the adoption of a path near Collings Park;
- (c) that Mr Harvey would email the LAF Secretary future newsletters from Hillary Winter to forward onto Members.
- (d) a letter of thanks should be sent to the former Chair, Ray Fairchild, thanking him for his work on the LAF.

It was agreed that Mr Abraham would give a presentation to Members at the next meeting of the LAF regarding updates on various cycle paths in the city.