

HAYLE TOWN TEAM



TOWN TEAM MEETING

WEDNESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2021

Notes of the Hayle Town Team Meeting held via Zoom on Wednesday 6 October 2021 commencing at 7.00pm. Open to the public, businesses, and community.

7.00PM MEETING COMMENCED

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting and there were brief introductions.

2. VITALITY FUND AND WELCOME BACK FUND UPDATES – IF ANY

The Town Clerk explained that an update for the Vitality Fund was not available at the present time, however, it was hoped that a response was imminent, and would hopefully be in time for the next Town Team meeting. After a meeting with other town clerks, it was agreed to request a meeting with Cornwall Council to try and progress the situation as there has been a delay in the process.

The Welcome Back Fund is being decided by Cornwall Development Company on behalf of Cornwall Council and is complicated and complex, and as of yet, no decisions had been made. It is possible that Hayle might need to join forces with other towns, and if so, Cornwall Council would oversee the project management for delivery.

The Town Clerk also mentioned for information purposes that the Levelling Up Fund would be the next funding project to apply for. This will focus on town regeneration, infrastructure, and culture. The funding would be for capital projects and is closely linked with the local MP, and only one bid per local authority is allowed. The funding approach will be targeted by the need for economic recovery and growth, the need for improved transport connectivity, and the need for regeneration. Public details about the fund are available, please see links below:

Levelling_Up_prospectus.pdf (publishing.service.gov.uk)

Levelling Up Fund - Technical note - UK wide (publishing.service.gov.uk)

3. HAYLE GROWTH AREA PLAN UPDATE – IF ANY

The Community Link Officer had information from the Cornwall Councillor for Hayle West that the Hayle Growth Area Master Plan and A30 Roundabout Scheme had been discussed at recent meetings but was not at the final stage yet.

A meeting with Cornwall Partnership Training by the Deputy Mayor stated that the area in question was not ready for development. More information will be available in due course.

4. GENERAL DEVOLUTION AND SITES UPDATE

Hayle Town Council have reported interest in two sites to be devolved from Cornwall Council: St Elwyn's Mess and the Commercial Road Car Park. There has been a delay in progressing this due to various reasons, however, it is now getting back on track. Hayle is classed in the level 2 town category and the work is now about to begin. Thorough review of all CC assets in Hayle to be completed. Information will be available in due course.

5. REPAIR SHED/CAFÉ? REPURPOSING OF BUILDING OR A NEW SHED IN A PROMINENT POSITION. VOLUNTEERS WITH PRACTICAL SKILLS TO REPAIR – POSSIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS IN RETURN – TO PROVIDE NEW TOOLS/EQUIPMENT

An idea for an area that could be used for the repurposing of materials, e.g., a repair shed was suggested. It would be for skilled volunteers to get involved in community projects, to renew and recycle old materials for the benefit of everyone. Members discussed if a new building should be used, or whether to repurpose an old building, or start at a café and let the project grow organically. It was agreed that a church hall would be a good place tom start. Hayle is lucky to have many volunteers, and this is a project that would bring them together and keep costs low.

Hayle Climate Action Group originally had the idea previously.

A representative for Who Dares Works, who runs a Community Club in Hayle, said that they would be happy to refocus their club to take part in the project.

Location was discussed as it would be key for accessibility, so ideally in the hub of the town. The Church Hall at Phillack or St Elwyn's, and the old children's centre were suggested as a test location. Members suggested looking at examples from other areas to give inspiration.

It was then discussed if it should be a permanent or pop-up arrangement.

It was agreed to form a working group to work on it and report back to the Town Team, including how to fund it in the future. Five members volunteered to form the group and develop proposals.

6. FARMER'S MARKET – CENTRAL TO DEVELOPMENT: PEOPLE TO MEET WITHIN THE COMMUNITY FOR AN EXCHANGE OF IDEAS

There was great support for the idea of a Farmer's Market due to the great success of them in other towns, and members agreed that it would be very positive for Hayle. It would be a great opportunity to showcase the best local produce that Hayle has to offer, and a local producer has already contacted a Town Councillor to express interest. Helpful information is available at Nature Friendly Cornwall:

Nature Friendly Schemes — Nature Friendly Cornwall

It was suggested to kickstart the project with a Christmas Market to help communicate and spread ideas. The project would be a positive step towards a reduction in food miles and welcoming a green agenda. A location was also discussed, if it is to be an outdoor market, possibly at Commercial Road car park, or move into the Day Care Centre in bad weather, potentially one day a week. Members said that the community could learn from others, such as Penzance and St Ives. There is an abundance of local producers, Hayle is home to the best quality produce.

Hopefully funding it will be possible, and looking to the Town Council for resources to support would be a good idea, and sponsorship to help with publicity could be looked into. It was agreed that the next Town Team meeting should focus on the Farmer's Market.

7. TOWN VOLUNTEERS AS GARDENERS FOR GREEN SPACES AND MORE

Hayle is lucky to have an abundance of volunteers, which is evident with the success of Hayle in Bloom. It has social benefits with the meeting of people to get talking and for ideas to flow. The value of green spaces and projects such as tree planting are key to raise awareness, aid communication and wellbeing. It was suggested that a Festival of Volunteers would be a positive event for the community and could be possibly considered for next year to bring everyone together. Time credits were discussed as a positive way of rewarding volunteering.

A Volunteer Forum was mentioned to match jobs to people with the correct skills, and networking at an event/fayre would be good for opportunities.

Representatives from local groups could attend meetings and events to promote their cause, and to develop joint initiatives between groups.

The Town Team social media could be utilised to promote groups, activities and projects, as well as having a Volunteer Group of the Month to attend and talk about their projects, maybe in a tenminute slot. It was agreed to send an invitation to the Friends of The Towans to attend the next meeting.

8. SPORTS AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES – ENCOURAGE ON BASIS OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, AS WELL AS JOBS AND LOCAL ECONOMY

Everyone agreed that the concept follows on from the previous three items which is to strengthen community values and town growth, and the linking of an exchange of ideas and community networking.

It was agreed to encourage and promote local sports clubs and activities.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

For information purposes, the Mayor wished to highlight the ongoing issues of vandalism and anti-social behaviour at Ellis Park as the public have raised concerns about the CCTV camera. It was agreed to ask the operators for an update and follow up the concerns.

It was decided that the notes of meetings would be published on social media to spread the word of the Town Team, and to promote input from the public for agenda discussion.

No other business was raised for discussion.