

Minutes of the Meeting of **TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE** held in Salcombe Town Council's meeting room, Cliff House, Salcombe

at 1730 on Tuesday 14th January 2025

Committee Councillors present: Cllr David Higgens (Chair), Cllr Peter Dickinson, Cllr Jasper Evans, Cllr Andrew Reed

Residents & Business Committee Members: James Allen, Gillian Parkinson, Nick Horne (Crab Shed), Rob Smith, Howard Davies (Salcombe Distilling Co), Suzy Thompson-Yates (Coast & Country) Non-Committee Councillor present: Cllr. Craig Niven

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Caroline Bricknell was not in attendance.

2. PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

Ten minutes is set aside to enable members of the public to ask questions or makestatements.

None

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

To invite members to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests and non-pecuniary interests.

None

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

a. Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 17th December 2024 were **APPROVED** and signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.

Abstain = 0 Against = 0 For = 4

Action: Town Clerk

b. To note only, progress on outstanding items from previous meetings

None

5. REPORT FROM HIGHWAYS CONSULTANT

The Committee considered the report from Simon Garner (Highways Consultant), inviting the Harbour and Deputy Harbour Masters to give their views. With their concerns being:

- Concern re congestion, effect on the fish quay operations and ingress and egress
- If the size of bus being used matches the number of passengers
- Report has not considered congestion, pedestrians, HGVs, gigs.
- Report is not robust enough; would like to see stronger evidence from other seasonal towns, rather than comparisons made with urban towns.
- Report needs to be carried out during peak season, not during January.
- Cars may well park in the proposed bus turning area, which will have a detrimental impact on the whole concept.

The Committee noted their concerns but concluded that the report stated it is safe to turn a bus within Creek car park and **RESOLVED** to recommend to Full Council to accept the report and formally submit it to SHDC.

Abstain = 1 Against = 0 For = 3

Action: Town Clerk/Cllr David Higgens

6. PARK AND RIDE (P&R): 2025 SEASON

i. Cllr Craig Niven presented the operating figures from 2024 for the P&R service with discussion taking place around ensuring the service is advertised well for 2025 and for Suzy Thompson-Yates to produce figures for the Committee, illustrating the busy weeks of the season. Town Clerk reminded Committee that the route will need to be registered through Tally Ho and there is a minimum number of days for the route to be registered - 42-90 days.

18:39 Cllr Jasper Evans left the meeting

The Committee **RESOLVED** the following recommendations to be taken to Full Council to consider:

a. The timetable for the 2025 Season to be:

Friday 11th April – Monday 21st April 2025

Or

<u>Saturday 5th April – Monday 21st April 2025</u> These are the ideal dates for the business community

<u>Crabfest Weekend</u> – Sat 3rd May – Mon 5th May 2025 Sunday – Crabfest bus Sat & Mon – to liaise with Rotary to see if they can support the bus over the weekend otherwise PnR service on

Sat 3rd May & Monday 5th May

<u>Saturday 24th May – Sunday 1st June 2025</u> Businesses & Harbour have advised this is the key week – if there is a need to reduce some days for the season then take off April dates as above

Weekends – 28th & 29th June 2025 5th & 6th July

Friday 12th July – 31st August 2025

<u>Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October</u> To consider this later in the year once season is established

Abstain = 0

For = 3

b. The route for the 2025 Season

For Council to consider and determine the route; with the view of registering 2 routes i.e. Creek car park and Knowle Road.

For = 3

Abstain = 0 Against = 0 For = 3

Against = 0

c. The supplementary role of 164 to the P&R

To discuss this with Full Council.

Abstain = 0

Against = 0 For = 3

d. The use and costs for parking at Bonfire Hill

To discuss this with Full Council

Abstain = 0 Against = 0

e. The bus fare for 2025 Season

To match the fares for the 164 bus

Abstain = 0 Against = 0 For = 3

ii) Committee discussed a further supplementary service using a minibus, with the consensus being to research this further, as could be beneficial to the town and individual clubs. No vote was taken.

7. BUDGET 2025/26

The Committee noted for the possible budget requirements being:

- 2nd Surveyor's report
- Signage costs
- To cover the loss of SHDC's income from car parking spaces that may disappear in order for the bus to turn.
- Equipment e.g. barriers needed for the bus turning area

Abstain = 0 Against = 0 For = 3

8. REPORTS

For Committee members to report to the meeting on related issues to the Terms of Reference; noting that items can only be raised and where relevant for Committee to consider any items to be added to the agenda at a future meeting for discussion.

None

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

No date was set for the next Transport Infrastructure Committee Meeting.

Meeting ended: 20:12

Minutes approved:

Cllr David Higgens Chair Date: