

FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Cultural Services Committee held in the Falmouth Library, Municipal Buildings, The Moor, Falmouth on Monday 23rd July 2018 at 7.00pm.

Present: Councillors G F Evans CC MBE (Chairman), P A Minson, A Parker, J C Robinson and D W Saunby CC.

In Attendance: A M Williams (Town Clerk)
H M Boex (Cultural Services Director)
M J Cardew (Senior Library and Information Assistant)

A856 CHAIRMAN

The Town Clerk sought nominations for Chairman. One valid nomination was received.

It was proposed by Councillor Parker, seconded by Councillor Minson and

RESOLVED that Councillor Evans MBE CC
Chairs the Committee for the ensuing Municipal
year.

A857 VICE-CHAIR

The Chairman sought nominations for Vice-Chair. One valid nomination was received.

It was proposed by Councillor Minson, seconded by Councillor Evans and

RESOLVED that Councillor A J Gillett be appointed
as Vice-chair of the Committee for the ensuing
Municipal year.

A858 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillors Gillett (holiday).

A859 INTERESTS

None received.

A860 MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Parker, seconded by Councillor Robinson and

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting
held on 16th April 2018 be confirmed as a
correct record of the proceedings and signed by
the Chair.

A861 LIBRARY UPDATE

The Senior Library and Information Assistant presented upon library operation since devolution. Comparison footfall had increased by 20%. Additional opening had been incorporated and it was hoped this could be increased further. Staff motivation was good and working practices were more effective and flexible under local management.

The Summer Reading Challenge was underway and this was when most child access to the library was achieved. The library worked with local primary schools and included e-books. Falmouth Library had been selected as one of five libraries nationally as a 'living library'. She had also attended the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals Conference and brought back some useful good practice ideas for community engagement.

Currently there was an active team of volunteers and the offer had been matched to a variety of audiences e.g. puzzle table. Future plans included additional opening which would require a staffing resource. Capital projects included mobile shelving and refurbishment.

A862 CULTURAL SERVICES REPORT

The Cultural Services Director presented her report that was duly noted and forms part of these minutes.

Further the Town Clerk reported upon the Dracaena Skatepark development progress and the Chairman upon Gyllyngdune Gardens transfer to the Town Council.

There being no further business to transact the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.55pm.

Signed: Date:

Introduction

This report covers the nine weeks since the Cultural Services committee meeting on 16th April 2018 at the Dracaena Centre. It is a short precis of activity as the Director has been away.

Library and Information Service

- 1.1 The Library continues to run smoothly with regular *rhyme time* and *story time* sessions on a Tuesday and *Lego Club* every Saturday morning and *Code Club* every other Saturday lunchtime.
- 1.2 Community Engagement Officer, Sara Baistrocchi ran a very successful *Art and Literature for well-being* in the Library on Thursday 17th May at 7:00.
- 1.3 The last monthly statistical report issued by Cornwall Council was for May. The total footfall was 9,214, books issued 7,247 with 1,039 computer sessions booked.
- 1.4 We are still in the process of researching possible sources of funding for replacement mobile shelving, new stackable upholstered chairs and will be refreshing the paintwork and signage in the Library.
- 1.5 The summer reading challenge was launched on the 14th July. The theme this year is Mischief Makers.

Art Gallery:

- 2. Supporters Scheme, donations, grant Income and awards**
 - 2.1 We were delighted to receive a positive approval for our Heritage Lottery Fund application for the restoration of the Markey Mural at the back of Tesco and A *Cabaret of Mechanical Movement* exhibition (30th June – 8th September) for £11,900.
- 3. Acquisitions, Gifts and Bequests**
 - 3.1 Councillor Brod Ross has presented the Town with a portrait of Candy Atherton on long loan.
- 4. Exhibitions and displays**
 - 4.1 *John Dyer, Painting the Colours of the World* was opened by Tim Smit of Eden fame at the Preview evening on 20th April. The exhibition was very successful and ended on 23rd June. We were grateful to the many private lenders for allowing us to have

- 4.2 *A Cabaret of Mechanical Movement* had a 'soft' opening on Saturday 30th June and will be holding a 'makers, funders and lenders' evening on Friday 27th July.
- 4.3 The idea is to continue to collect and display items made by Peter Markey, Ron Fuller, and other local Falmouth artists that local residents bought from Cabaret, the shop owned by Sue Jackson from 1978-1983 up the High Street, prior to its relocation to Covent Garden.
- 4.4 We were delighted that some of the original 'Knit-wit' jumpers were bought in by two ladies, Sue Haseman and Nicky Squibb, who were the original knitters of these stunning jumpers.
- 4.5 The next exhibitions in the planning are *Falmouth Alumni, 1950-1970* and *Found in Falmouth*. Both exhibitions shine a light on different aspects of Falmouth Art School.

5. Visitor Statistics – art gallery

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	% inc
Jan	2,355	2,469	2,645	2,814	3,116	2,870	3,046	6%
Feb	5,724	5,519	6,081	6,564	6,925	6,830	5,950	-13%
March	8,898	8,909	9,040	11,000	10,575	10,735	9,759	-9%
April	12,141	12,685	12,305	14,820	14,471	14,045	14,431	3%
May	15,257	17,523	16,121	19,056	18,447	18,377	18,386	0%
June	18,537	21,368	19,301	23,062	23,105	22,810	22,672	-1%
July	22,247	24,889	23,173	27,503	27,603	27,857	22,672	-19%
August	26,931	30,285	28,288	33,787	32,779	34,551	22,672	-34%
Sept	30,318	34,814	32,693	38,022	37,242	40,285	22,672	-44%
Oct	34,251	38,822	36,843	42,163	41,438	45,015	22,672	-50%
Nov	37,601	41,709	39,896	45,376	44,965	48,593	22,672	-53%
Dec	39,510	43,680	42,331	47,678	47,557	51,049	22,672	-56%

- 5.1 Overall visitor figures are about the same as this time last year. We are hoping that the summer exhibition will be a popular one.

6. Community and learning – art gallery

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	% inc
Jan	370	361	410	1,016	763	879	763	-13%
Feb	936	756	887	2,171	1,775	2,118	1,319	-38%
March	1,473	1,385	1,597	3,611	2,685	3,492	2,318	-34%
April	1,900	2,017	1,994	4,300	3,417	4,008	3,110	-22%
May	2,523	2,703	3,586	5,697	4,525	4,866	4,229	-13%
June	2,876	3,299	4,244	6,451	5,659	5,833	5,103	-13%
July	3,272	3,562	4,747	7,156	6,170	6,392	5,103	-20%
August	4,149	4,211	5,260	8,250	7,059	7,536	5,103	-32%
Sept	4,629	4,791	6,106	9,245	7,812	8,398	5,103	-39%
Oct	4,629	5,274	7,174	10,019	9,160	9,609	5,103	-47%
Nov	4,629	5,615	8,037	11,265	10,125	10,809	5,103	-53%
Dec	4,629	5,921	8,953	11,674	10,768	11,325	5,103	-55%

- 6.1 Community engagement in the Art Gallery continues to be impressive with regular sessions of BabyJam, Baby Paint, Little Fingers and home education. Formal education visits in April-June include Falmouth Primary, King Charles, St Francis, Marlborough, Perranarworthal, Devoran, St Meriadoc, Mylor pre-school, Penryn Primary and Penryn Primary ARB, Truro College SEN group Camborne College SEN group and Jumblies nursery..
- 6.2 In addition we have hosted regular sessions for local poetry groups, MIND, Sketch Club, Look Group, Knit Group, Langholme, 50+ Dracaena Group and our drop in family workshops on the first Saturday of the month and during half-term and holidays.
- 6.3 We have also received visits from Brightwater Holidays, Mawnan Book Group, Mawnan WI, Truro U3A and the Retired Blue Badge Guiders group, who all received morning coffee and a talk from the Director.
- 6.4 The Director gave a talk to the regional SLCC meeting on *Thinking Outside the Box* and received a visit from St Ives councillors and Town Clerk as a result. The Director also gave a talk *Women and Art; artist, model, muse* at Mylor WI, who then returned to the Art Gallery for a 'tea and talk' about John Der.
- 6.5 The Art Gallery hosted a book launch for local writer Sue Kittow for her Daphne Du Maurier trail and on Friday 22nd June, we hosted a reception for Falmouth Classics. An extract from their newsletter:

Crowds filled the Falmouth Art Gallery for the Old Pulteney and Falmouth Art Gallery Reception on Friday evening. The 12 year-old Old Pulteney was very much enjoyed and the work of John Dyer was admired. The use of the Council Chamber in addition to the Galleries was a great improvement and gave everyone more space to socialise

and view the exhibition. A big thank you to Henrietta Boex, Falmouth Art Gallery Director, and her team of volunteers.

- 6.6 Sara Baistrocchi ran an evening workshop called *The Artistry of Parenting*.
- 6.7 Sarah Scott and volunteer Paula Ross attended the Brilliant Things conference organised by Cornwall Museums Partnership and gave a talk on *Growing Relationships with volunteers at Falmouth Art Gallery*.

7. Staffing, training and volunteering

- 7.1 All 'TUPED' staff have now moved on to Falmouth Town Council contracts.
- 7.2 We have a new LUMEN placement from Leicester University, Dong Mao Li (but in England she is known as Tina) who is with us through the summer.
- 7.3 Sarah Scott undertook Arts Award Gold training.

Youth Services

- 8.1 Dawn Frogatt has been given the opportunity to create a Pilot Project for young people on the periphery of or who have already entered the Criminal Justice System. She writes:

We are recognising there are young people we can't work with as they are part of the Criminal Justice System. After sitting at our Multi Agency meetings and hearing the same names escalating into CJS, I really thought 'is there anything more we can do here at Dracaena to support / compliment the work already being done by everyone in Falmouth & Penryn?'

On 3rd May I put a project proposal to Richard, called it 'Believe' and found some potential funding places for it hoping for something to start in September.....I'm very excited to report that last week Richard offered me an amazing opportunity to create it!!

I will still be doing the same hours (7 per week) but instead of Youth Work Coordinator my role will be Youth Justice Project Coordinator. I will hand over my Youth Project work to Richard and Kate who will continue with the hard work by our brilliant Youth Work Team 😊

- 8.2 The April-June Youth Services report can be found below at Appendix A.

Festivals & Events

- 9.1 <https://www.falmouth.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Falmouth-Events-2017-1.pdf>

This is covered by the Town Team's report to full council

Parks & Gardens

10.1 We have been supporting the Grounds and Facilities team by helping with the FTC Portfolio for SW in Bloom and Britain in Bloom.

Ponsharden Cemeteries

11.1 We were delighted to hear that the Heritage Lottery Fund gave us the go ahead with our Round 1 pass. We are now in the development phase and will need to submit an application for Round 2 (i.e. all the money) in about nine months or so. The total project costs are £525,500.

11.2 We have a mobilisation meeting scheduled for 6th August.

Joint Marketing and Publicity

Nothing to report

Henrietta Boex,
Director of Cultural Services
July 2018

Annex A

Falmouth & Penryn Youth Project Interim Update April - June 2018

Weekly Sessions	Content
<p>Penryn College Lunchtime Drop-in</p> <p>Lunchtime drop in sessions providing a supported environment for young people to chat, eat their lunch and take part in activities.</p>	<p>Impact: Partner agencies aware of signposting within School lunchtime for additional support for young people; Young people decision making and organising their own activities – evidence of confidence and autonomy. Established members within the Youth Project showing growth in confidence and sharing aspirations for their next step in education, qualifications and leaving school; Young people taking the lead in activities, sharing jokes and stories of homelife and friendship; Young people engaged in Dracaena Centre TFF also taking part in lunchtime club and finding continuity of workers within the school setting helpful; Conversations surrounding differing forms of family support during exams and finding a healthy balance between leisure activities and revision; Young people keen to learn more about the role of Youth Workers in the community and qualifications needed to progress in Youth Work as a career; Young people who regularly attend Friday Night Drop in and engage through Detached Street Based Youth Work also engaging in Penryn Lunchtime drop in; Group discussions surrounding mental health and wellbeing.</p> <p>Activities – Planning ideas for this term; Malteser Game; Table pong; Revision; Bracelet making; Drawing; Oil pastels; Thinkblot Game; Parachute races; Worry Dolls; Colouring; Origami; Taste Testing flavoured water; Slime making; Bag decorating; Card and notebook making; Stickers.</p>
<p>Falmouth School Lunchtime Drop-in</p>	<p>Impact – Popularity and growth in numbers of lunchtime drop in for year 7 and 8; Splitting of year groups for lunchtime sessions continues to be success; Year 7 and 8 enjoying the opportunity to take part in a variety of board and card games, chatting freely to workers and having fun; Year 9 and 10 young people showing an increase in respectful behaviour,</p>

<p>Lunchtime drop in sessions providing a supported environment for young people to chat, eat their lunch and take part in activities.</p>	<p>understanding of club boundaries and consequences; Young people engaging peers in self-management within the group; Young people enjoying card making and bracelet making while chatting to friends and Youth Workers; Individuals teaching peers how to make Pom Poms – example of confidence and leadership; Young people talking to Youth Workers about personal progress they have made with choices and thanking Youth Workers for listening and being supportive – example of young person’s developmental journey supported by Youth Work process; Young people recognising and acting on appropriate and safe boundaries within personal relationships; Young people working with Youth Workers to understanding how to maintain positive and healthy relationships with boyfriends and girlfriends, while maintaining a sense of independence, self-worth, direction and value; Strategies for managing any risk-taking behaviour; Young people working with Youth Workers and School team to understand School Policies and Procedures; Youth Workers, Upper and Lower School Heads working together to support young people and sign post appropriately.</p> <p>Activities – Card and board games; Art Activities; Pom Poms; Bracelets; Crafts; Card making; Revision; Stickers; Colouring; Puzzles; Jokes; Magic tricks.</p>
<p>Street Based Youth Work Sessions</p> <p>Building a positive and trusting relationship and offering support meeting young people’s needs at a range of areas across the towns.</p>	<p>Impact: Sessions are flexible and adaptive to location and needs of young people or concerns highlighted by outside professional i.e. - empty shop area in Falmouth known to attract unwanted occupancy; Ongoing conversations regarding various water activities while raising awareness for personal safety in different environments and social settings; Safety in and around water - Falmouth Pier, Falmouth town waterfront, Penryn Quay and Penryn Bridge, Greenbank etc - coasteering, checking tides, dangers of sinking sand and mud at low tides, fishing, consideration and respect of others on the water, acknowledgment of accessible areas and terms of use, especially quayside areas: continued safety discussions concerning outdoor BBQs and road awareness - mindfulness of traffic users and safe play in residential areas; informal education continued by respectful communication between young people and Youth Workers surrounding safe interactions with others including rough sleepers; Awareness of friendly and mutually respectful language and conduct in communication with figures in authority, local businesses and the community - Youth workers providing supportive liaison; Health and wellbeing - sexual health matters and C-Card</p>

	<p>availability, recognition of parental/carer boundaries, times to return home, positive methods of preparing for school life; Healthy relationships-friendships and social groupings that are enjoyable.; Strategies for managing any risk-taking behaviour; Enjoyment in their towns; Young people accessing many social and leisure areas of Falmouth and Penryn, sharing residential and communal spaces with others and engaging with any street-based community events of interest; Youth workers responsive to any queries or issues that may arise in maintaining that enjoyment, while educating young people on subjects such as diversity, tolerance and community mindfulness; Young people sharing aspirations and achievements.</p> <p>Areas covered: Outside Dracaena Centre including fields; McDonalds; road leading to Penryn Shelter; Greenbank area; The Moor; Prince of Wales Pier; High Street; Bassett Gardens; vacant Edinburgh Mill shop – front door open; Penryn Quay; Penryn Shelter; Kimberley Park; Dracaena Centre Shelter; Penryn High Street; Glasney Park; Saracen Way; Shute Lane; Browns Hill; West Street; Penryn Park; Commercial Road; North Parade; Falmouth High Street; Beacon area; Church Street Car Park.</p>
<p>Young Women’s Group</p> <p>A young person led group that provides a range of activities, trips and the opportunity for support from Youth Workers in a relaxed and fun environment.</p>	<p>Impact: Working with outside partners and organizations to enhance Young Women’s Group capability to broaden aspirations, including more informed and independent decision making, leadership roles taken with personal and group initiatives and recognition of areas of talent; Extended skill bases and levels of enjoyment in creative expression and design; Flexible and inclusive team working; Proactive, collective and empathetic decision making, for example a request to take part in First Aid training in response to a health condition experienced by one group member; Personal development of individual group member (referral from Victim Support), as session volunteer to the Dracaena Centre Pop in and Play initiative; Improved confidence, communication skills and appropriate support of others; Personal development of one young woman to the Educational Programme - Developing Change, involving a work placement as a volunteering in the Dracaena Centre’s Palm Café; Young person and parent</p>

	<p>expressing the notable and transformative differences these supportive combined projects have added to her personal enjoyment and future prospects; Young Women expressing themselves and feeling valued and heard - continuity and consistency of project facilitating confidence and opportunities for freedom of expression; Councillor Anna Gillett working with the Young Women's Group and providing a generous donation from the community fund for resources to the group; Dracaena Centre Fun Day – Young people coming together to volunteer and raise £120.00 for Youth Work resources; Young people's ability to support each other whilst acknowledging their different interests and varying abilities; overcoming personal challenges with Youth Work support.</p> <p>Activities: Ceramic Artist Workshop; First Aid Training; Music; Headbanz Game; Rounders; Incredible Edible Planting Workshop; Cards; DONUT Challenge!; Cooking with Clair; Exam Revising for Maths GCSE punching out math formulas using James sport fitness boxing gloves and pads!; YWG banner; Pom Poms; Mosaic Tea Cup Planting; soft football; Bun decorating; Football; Basketball; Craft – bead bracelet making; Monoprinting Workshop; Rowing machine activity; Jewellery; Decorations from recycled upcycled plastic; Dance; Elemental – Swanpool Watersports, Coasteering and swimming / Beach cricket.</p>
<p>The Shelter, Penryn</p> <p>A group for young people aged 12 -16 years to meet with their friends, get to know Youth Workers and have a safe space to participate in activities.</p>	<p>Impact: Youth Workers challenging safety of young people around pier jumping, road traffic and safety, risks associated with risk taking - including sea level, stranger danger; Learning specialist skills such as gardening and pottery via Mosaic; young people learning about risks by active participation in Risk Assessments of activities; volunteering and giving own time to community litter picking Beach Clean and participation in Dracaena Centre Fun Day -working as part of a team and raising money towards Youth Work resources; Visit from ex-young person now aged 20, demonstrating the strength and impact of young people and Youth Work participation; Youth Workers offering parental support; Young people working with Youth Workers to develop tolerance and sharing with new</p>

	<p>members: Anti Bullying workshop; Ownership and increased confidence of group members.</p> <p>Activities – Pizza making; Chalk drawing; Music; Pebble and Shell painting; ping pong; Swingball; Bat and ball; Inspirational Quotes; Puzzle Ball; Incredible Edible Planting Workshop; Skipping ropes; Diablo; Mosaic Workshops; Plastic Free Beach Clean; Bullying scenarios; Manhunt; Cornflake cakes; Seed Planting; Insect Ornaments; Russian Doll decorating.</p>
<p>Friday Night Drop in (Youthy)</p> <p>We offer a place to hang out, play pool, ball games, table tennis, arts & crafts, help and advice, C-Card, free internet, snacks and more.</p>	<p>Impact: Youth Workers working with young people to identify the risks of taking drugs, alcohol and tobacco; Through conversation Youth Workers and Young People exploring the law and limitations of progressing to further education, apprenticeships, jobs and travel abroad if the young person has a criminal record – consequences; Conversations surrounding the value of friendships, what are the traits of true friendships, making healthy choices in your friendships with peers; Age appropriate friendships: Age appropriate relationship; Young people attending Young Men’s Group, also attending Friday Night Drop in and showing a calmer side due to participation in Young Men’s Group - enjoying leadership, organisation, ownership and participation; Improved attitude; Young people actively engaged with planning: Creating a DC Football Club for young people and matches with other Youth Clubs, DC Kit and Fundraising – example of decision making and autonomy; Young people very excited about the proposed collaboration with Plymouth Argyle Community Trust football coaching, during Friday Night Drop in: Youth Workers collaborating with Multiagency workers to Safeguard and monitor young peoples welfare; Youth Workers actively working with local Police, to maintain safety and good relationships between Police, Falmouth Fire Service and young people attending Friday Night Drop in: Young people voicing a sense of pride when adding to ceramic mural or having spray painting art work displayed; Young people fundraising for Youth Project Resources; Young People taking part in conversations and activities regarding healthy eating, kitchen hygiene, family meal times and family diversity; Discussions surrounding self-management in school, consequences, coping methods and responsibility; Improved confidence, communication skills and appropriate support of others within the group; C-Card and Sexual Health</p>

	<p>Activities – Pom pom making; Chocolate shakes made by young people; UNO; Pool; Table tennis; Darts; Ice cream making; Football in field; Basketball; C-Card; Pizza making; Arts and Crafts; Painting; Drawing; Cake decorating; Fruit Salad making; Cards; Connect 4; Cooking pancakes; Mosaic; Fire Brigade; Hand printing and spray painting with visiting Artist; First Aid Course; Guess Who; Monoprinting; card decorating, bracelet making, cake decorating.</p>
<p>Young Men’s Group</p> <p>Focussing on developing positive relationships with peers, adults and those in authority. The group also look at managing behaviour and understanding societal boundaries.</p>	<p>Impact: Young people building on achievements and skills; Inclusive and kindness to peers; improved concentration, team work and listening skills; Young people proud of achievements and increasing confidence, self-worth and self-belief through climbing activity; Increased confidence at own ability to overcome challenges; Young people showing good organisational skills and communication with each other; Examples of individuals taking more of a leadership role; Young people able to showcase skills and natural talents; Managing behaviour more easily, calming down and engaging positively with each other, taking turns; Young people showing generosity and inclusion to other groups.</p> <p>Activities: Granite Planet Climbing Trip; C-Card; Pool; Basketball; Football; American Football; Water Battle; Dodge Ball.</p>
<p>Community Events Falmouth & Penryn, April - June</p>	<p>Bulb Planting Plastic Free Beach Cleans Flower Planting Dracaena Centre Fun Day</p>
<p>Attendances</p>	<p>1093</p>
<p>Feedback from Young People</p>	<p>“Thanks for giving us time to chill out!” “You can tell me to calm down or not to do something – we listen to you all here, we like you”</p>

	<p>"I can't talk about stuff normally but I can here"</p> <p>"We feel safe here"</p> <p>"Great to know we cleaned up micro-plastics and saved the fishies!"</p> <p>"This is the best thing I've found, I love coming here now"</p> <p>Young person thanked Youth Workers for listening and support.</p> <p>"Enjoyed this more than I thought I would" "That was well good, I got better, never thought I'd do that" (About Granite Planet Climbing Trip)</p> <p>"We love Youthy"</p>
Funders	<p>Key stakeholders:</p> <p>Falmouth Town Council</p> <p>Penryn Town Council</p> <p><i>As a result of the commitment from Falmouth and Penryn Town Councils, we have been successful in unlocking additional funds from:</i></p> <p>Awards for All</p> <p>West Cornwall Youth Trust</p> <p>Youth Social Action Fund</p>
Thanks to...	<p>We very much appreciate all support given to young people and our Youth Work Team by Falmouth Town Council and Cultural Services, Falmouth Town Councillors, Falmouth School Staff, members of Falmouth community groups and Falmouth Police; Penryn Town Council, Penryn Town Councillors, Penryn College Staff and members of Penryn community groups.</p>
Agencies we are actively engaging with:	<p>Falmouth School</p> <p>Penryn College</p> <p>Police</p> <p>Falmouth Town Council</p> <p>Penryn Town Council</p>

	<p>Cultural Services BF Adventure Victim Care Unit Falmouth Fire Service KOOH Cornwall Council Together for Families – Targeted Youth Work MARU Plastic Free Falmouth Regular Multi Agency Meetings held for joined up local practice around Safeguarding of Vulnerable Young People Early Help Hub Children’s Services Together for Families Plymouth Argyle Community Trust</p>
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Kate Springfield and Dawn Froggatt