

**Towans Transport, Access and Parking sub group  
Minutes of Meeting Held on 6 January 2009 at the  
Passmore Edwards Institute, Hayle**

**Present:** (Chair) Dave Clarke, CCC Principal Countryside Officer (DJC)  
John Bennett, Penwith District Council (JB)  
Ian Toy, Gwithian Towans Ratepayers Association (IT)  
John Pollard, Hayle Town Council (JP)  
John Gorst, Hocking Trust (JG)  
Brian Pocock, Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council (BP)  
Bill Makin, National Trust (BM)

**Apologies:** Andrew McDouall, Natural England

	<b>Actions</b>
<p><b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b></p> <p>Agreed</p>	
<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rob Jewell from Hayle Chamber of Commerce has been nominated to represent the chamber of commerce on the TAP group.</li> <li>• DC met with John and Neil Hosking to discuss the relocation of Gwithian car park. The outcome of the meeting was that they would be interested in the proposal but need to see the figures relating to use of the current car park in order to assess the proposal from a business perspective.</li> <li>• Rod Porter from PDC sent DC a copy of the Scheme for the Management of Gwithian Towans as requested</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Updates</b></p> <p><b>Gwithian</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The group agreed that the time to act regarding the relocation of Gwithian car park was now as One Cornwall will be looking at issues relating to car parking.</li> <li>• The group felt that the size of the proposed car park could be flexible</li> <li>• There is a need to clarify what the group wants from this proposal i.e. carrying capacity (proposed 700 cars), who will operate the relocated car park, and then to seek agreement from One Cornwall.</li> <li>• Provision for pedestrians should be made from the proposed site to the beach access points.</li> </ul> <p><b>Godrevy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The National Trust has produced a document called Shifting Shores which highlights the issues facing their coastal properties.</li> <li>• The NT has planned future meetings with their neighbours at Godrevy to discuss their options and to iron out any concerns that they may have.</li> <li>• The group discussed the possibility of combining the efforts of the NT and the local authority to create a single solution to the parking issues both are facing on the Towans. However, there would be many problems inherent in this approach.</li> </ul>	

	<p><b>Sandy Acres</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A planning application has been submitted.</li> <li>• The boundaries of the SSSI in relation to Sandy Acres need to be clarified.</li> </ul> <p><b>Park and Ride</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members of the group express concern that the St Erth Park and Ride scheme may fade away as local investors are not optimistic about the future of this scheme.</li> </ul>	
	<p><b>Transport, Access and Parking Plan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A letter has been received from Gwinear-Gwithian Parish Council stating their concerns about the plan. The group decided that a written response addressing their concerns should be returned.</li> </ul>	<p><b>DC</b></p>
	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The group felt that the issue of parking and vehicle access to the area should be considered as part of the bigger picture. DC informed the group that officers from the Living Environment Service have made contact with officers from the Transport Division of CCC to establish what, if any, plans are in place to address traffic movements in the area. DC to get the detail of these meetings for the next meeting.</li> <li>• It was suggested that maps showing current routes and car parks along with alternative routes and car parks should be produced for the next meeting.</li> </ul>	<p><b>DC</b></p> <p><b>DC/BM</b></p>
	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p><b>7<sup>th</sup> April 2009</b></p>	