



STREET WARDEN STEERING GROUP
Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 26th February 2004
at the Windmill Centre, Pendennis Road, Hele

<u>Present</u>	<u>Organisation/Agency</u>
SC	Torbay Council
DW	Torbay Council
VC	Street Warden
SS	HVCA
MG	HVCA/CAPTARA
Councillor Hayman	Torbay Council
Councillor Darling	Torbay Council
GC	Lighthouse
Di Wyatt	Torquay Police Station

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	<p>APOLOGIES</p> <p>Cllr Harris</p>	
1.	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Darling wished for an amendment to be made at the bottom of page 2 of the previous meeting's Minutes. He stated that he wished to refer to "kids" in general and not necessarily from the Salisbury/Lichfield areas and the last point under item number 4 should read "Steve Darling informed the meeting that concerns had been expressed that kids may become territorial over the play facilities. • He also advised the Council that with regard to Alison's point regarding Generic Wardens, he had referred this to the Council but to date had had no response, but when he did he would report back to the meeting. • Other points were agreed and no further matters raised. 	
2.	<p>UPDATE FROM WARDEN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vicki expressed her disappointment that there was no representative from Riviera Housing at the meeting as she had a few issues she would like to have discussed. She requested that contact be made with Lloyd concerning confirmation regarding the insurance/fencing/footpath area. It was proposed that Steve and Vicki would go and visit Lloyd at Riviera Housing. • Vicki also reported that she had been to Camden, London on a study tour and had been very impressed with the Street Warden programme there, with Torbay sharing same issues. 	<p>SC/VC</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The position with regards to Dave's sickness was raised and the question of if when and if he is to return to his duties. Steve informed the meeting that he was unable to comment other than to advise that Human Resources are now dealing with the matter. • It was suggested that due to the length of time of sickness he has had to date, and with Vicki working such long hours each week i.e. Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 p.m. if he is put onto part-pay, we may then employ a part-time worker to assist Vicki with her duties. 	
3.	<p>STATISTICAL RETURNS TO GOVERNMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly returns to Government were circulated for discussion. • Steve reported that the Scheme Implementation Plan and now been rewritten and resubmitted. Workloads tend to be concentrated at community meetings, not home visits. The plan for next year has been amended to reflect this. • Accredited schemes may come into fruition to elevate police of some of their duties giving Street Wardens more powers i.e. removal of alcohol from people. • Vicki felt that these extra powers would be advantageous with regards to litter dropping/dog fouling, especially with the Dog Wardens coming under the supervision of Steve. 	
4.	<p>SKATEBOARD PARK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is very much on schedule and near to completion with just some groundwork to complete. The official opening day was suggested on Saturday 3rd April 2004. • Steve Darling suggested that for publicity exposure for the opening the Weekender are very accommodating should we ask for a front page write up. • Steve advised the meeting that Sue Cheriton (Assistant Director, Cultural Services), has a bigger agenda for more parks in other areas, suggesting Shiphay, Watcombe as possible future projects. 	
5.	<p>FUTURE FUNDING & SCHEME EXPANSION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve reported that funding had now been secured for another year, but he was not sure about any expansion from the Council due to budget capping. 	

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6.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Safety funding may expand into Castle Circus. Riviera Housing appear not to be in a position to offer any funding at present. • Steve is currently writing a Business Plan, for objective 2, European money, which if successful will go to Blatchcombe to appoint more Wardens. • If funds do become available it is planned to set up another Steering Group to cover all 3 areas and local groups for each individual area. • Steve Darling enquired if it was proposed to develop the scheme towards Torre, how it was proposed to develop partnerships with Torquay Community College. Steve advised that he had no current plans but would look into this. • Di Wyatt advised the meeting that it was proposed that in the near future, the responsibility for the policing of schools would be transferred to Neighbourhood Beat Managers, and Di would be actively involved with the schools in her area giving talks etc. • Graham advised that the time limit earmarked for two years, as soon as given go ahead to expand. If money is to become available it will be with effect from 1st April 2004 with £5,000 - £10,000 from the Council, we are actually looking for £45,000. <p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Cox advised that with regard to the Salisbury Avenue Playarea, tenders for provision of play equipment are to be submitted. • Vicki wanted to say a thank you for all the support she has been given by the residents whilst she has been working alone. • Graham is to have a meeting with Sue to offer help. • Di stated that she had been very impressed with what actually does go on in the Hele area by and for the local community, and residents should feel very proud. <p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>THURSDAY 29th April 2004 2:00 P.M. WINDMILL CENTRE, PENDENNIS ROAD, HELE</p>	SD

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