

Nansledan Community Association meeting with Duchy of Cornwall

October 5th, 2020, 5pm

Present

- **NCA:** Suzanne Featherstone, Jane Combes, Theresa Ferguson, Annalisa Mather, Richard Thomasson, Tess Lowe
- **Duchy:** Peter James, Tracey Nichols.

Apologies from Ben Dobson & Ben Murphy.

- **SANG**
 - Suzanne reported that the temporary fencing at the SANG has repeatedly blown down in high winds. Peter replied that this fencing will soon be removed and replaced with permanent pedestrian barriers.
 - Peter told that until now the Duchy has been paying for the ongoing management of the SANG, but going forward it will come out of the management fee. Peter suggested this is normal practice across other facilities in Newquay that were/are paid for by locals (such as through council tax) but freely open to the public.
 - Suzanne enquired whether there will be a charge for parking at the SANG to offset the management costs, since non-Nansledan residents will be using it. Peter replied that there will be no charge for using the car park initially, but the

Duchy will monitor it. If a charge is implemented in future, then residents will be exempt.

- Peter suggested that dog-walking companies who are making a business out of using the SANG for this purpose should however be required to pay a fee.
- He also suggested the possibility of a pop-up coffee stall at the SANG to serve walkers.
- Peter advised that gates will soon be put back in place to facilitate the addition of cows in the fields. Signs will also be added to advise how dogs should be handled.
- Jane asked if there is any news about starting the boardwalk and the connection through to Priory Woods. Peter replied that the boardwalk is not intended as a connecting walk-through, but as a way to access the viewing area in the marsh. Peter showed us the location of the planned boardwalk (and separate bird hide) on the map.

- **Playpark Developments**

- Richard reported that the play park is really popular, even in bad weather. He suggested that it's also drawing park-users into Nansledan's shops.
- Richard asked if there any way to enforce current covid restrictions on numbers using the play park? Peter replied that it's not enforceable. Since the play park is owned by the residents, the only way to limit numbers would be to close the play park entirely, but no one wants that. The Duchy also want their response to be consistent across the rest of

Newquay. **ACTION:** Peter will speak to Ben about it. (*Update from Ben Dobson: “It [the play park] is not manned so users have to take their own responsibility. We continue with fortnightly safety checks – CORMAC carry this out”.*)

- Theresa asked about the Capco consultation for the next phase of two additional play areas: one in the Wainhomes area for younger children, and one near the school for teens. The NCA have provisionally booked a couple of possible dates in the Hub for groups of six residents at a time to view the plans. Peter agreed that this should go ahead “sooner the better”, and he hopes Capco will come with plans ready for inspection. (*Update: The Consultation process will take place at the HUB on Wednesday 28th October between 4.30pm and 6.30pm*).

- **Commercial Developments**

- An application for a wine bar and deli is in progress, to be situated in the commercial unit next to Teylu.
- Annalisa asked what other commercial outlets are currently planning to come to Nansledan. Peter replied that there is a huge amount of interest from a diverse selection of businesses who are finding that business is thriving even during the recent virus restrictions and there is currently no available space.

- **Proposed Cycle Route:**

- **ACTION:** Tracey will send the proposed cycle route map to Theresa.

- **Management Company**

- In Ben Murphy and Ben Dobson's absence, Theresa asked Peter whether The Duchy and Blenheims have made any decision about how we should proceed with regard to setting up the ManCo and appointing residents. Peter said that work has been going on to ensure the 'legals' are correct. In the next week they'll be able to tell us how they want to proceed regarding the resident members on the ManCo. Theresa requested that we are kept in the loop about how the NCA should explain the role to the community. Peter said that it is not really the NCA's job to explain the ManCo. Ben Murphy or Ben Dobson will be making a presentation, but the Duchy is grateful for any platform the NCA could offer, such as at the NCA AGM.

- **Post-boxes**

- Tracey reported that the installation of the first post-box at Nansledan will be delayed for 8 weeks because **the original survey** paperwork had expired **due to the COVID pandemic impacting on deadlines**. The Royal Mail stated that it would be eight weeks from 17th September before the post-box will be installed, which brings us to around 12th November. The first box will be installed in the corner by John **Greig's** art studio (opposite Little Cornish Pantry).

