

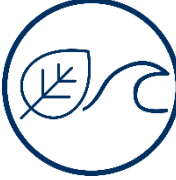






PLANNING COMMITTEE – 28 JUNE 2023

REPORT FOR DECISION

PROPOSED LETTER TO AGENTS AND DEVELOPERS

Our Culture	Our Decision Making	Our Environment	Our Money	Our People	Our Places	Our Resilience & Wellbeing
						
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Recommendation:

The proposed letter to planning agents and developers, as set out at Appendix 1 to this report, be approved and circulated to the individuals and organisations which often submit planning applications within Penzance parish.

Background:

At the meeting of this Committee held on 7 June 2023, a Member referenced Penzance Council’s commitment to addressing the climate emergency and the future generations pledge along with the policies set out within the draft Neighbourhood Plan. They went on to state that it would be helpful to advise planning agents and developers of Penzance Council’s position and to circulate the draft Neighbourhood Plan, with a request that these issues be addressed within future planning submissions in order to aid in this Committee’s decision making.

The proposed letter is set out at Appendix 1 to this report for approval.

Appendix 1 – Proposed Letter to Agents and Developers

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29 June 2023

Dear Sir / Madam,

PENZANCE COUNCIL AND ITS CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

I am writing to you / your organisation as you regularly submit planning applications to the Local Planning Authority which are subsequently considered by Penzance Council in its role as statutory consultee.

In 2019 Penzance Council declared a climate emergency and is now an active participant in Cornwall's Climate Action Plan. Following on from this, in 2022 the Council unanimously passed a wellbeing of future generations pledge. This pledge means that all decisions made by the Council and its committees are made with this in mind.

The following frameworks are used to inform decision making in this regard:-

We want Penzance to be:-

Prosperous

Resilient
More equal
Healthier
A cohesive community
Culturally vibrant
Globally responsible.

For your reference, I attach a copy of the draft Neighbourhood Plan for Penzance which will shortly be subject to public referendum. The draft document aligns with the policies of Penzance Council regarding the climate emergency and the future generations pledge and, while it has not yet been formally adopted, it is hoped that it will become a material planning consideration in the near future.

As a local Council it is very helpful to our decision making when aspects of a planning application which align with our values are highlighted and I therefore hope that you might take into account the Council's position on the climate emergency, the future generations pledge and the emerging Neighbourhood Plan as a part of any future submissions you may make.

Yours faithfully

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