St Ives Labour Group

Minutes of meeting

MEETING DATE: 1st August 2017

Place: Broad Leas Community Centre

Chair: Mick White

Apologies: Rebecca Cattell

Previous Minutes Approved: 04/07/2017

Next Meeting: 05/09/2017

Matters Arising:

Agenda for meeting was open forum, instead of the traditional meeting agenda to facilitate a brainstorming session.

What follows is the highlights/headlines of topics discussed.

Paula talked about the ongoing weekly Steering Group meetings and St Neots meeting reports

Daniel talked about Slack, the internal comms system now set up mainly for HCLP officers

Mick mentioned the mailing lists and announce lists that are in the pipeline Discussions about voting tendencies in and around the St Ives area

A local issue raised was the proposed cancellation of some Whippet bus routes and how it was likely to affect the elderly in the outlying villages. A market day petition and question session was proposed along with getting signatures objecting to the closures.

It was pointed out that every month there are national issue raised but not enough local issues. It was proposed to ask local people in town what issues concern them. Daniel mentioned that doorstepping training should be made available.

Council meeting observation by members was raised again – need to know frequency and dates of meetings of St Ives Town Council.

It was requested that we find out about the Eastern Region Conference and when registration finishes.

Local issue to raise (not sure who with!!) regarding road signs covered by foliage. Need cost and availability of Labour Party T-Shirts.