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Dear Ms Kennally,

Subject: Whipsiderry Cliffs, Newquay

At this authorities' Full Council meeting yesterday, the Council formally resolved the following:

Newquay Town Council objects to the development works at the Paradise Cove site and particularly to the interference with the natural state of the Whipsiderry Cliffs in a formally designated Coastal Change Management Area (CCMA); interference that breaches the requirements of the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP), Cornwall Council's Climate Change Supplementary Planning Document and the Newquay Neighbourhood Plan.

Although these destructive cliff works are currently suspended, we are aware that the threat of their resumption remains.

The significance of the above cannot be understated and we have received representation and information from an experienced geologist on the general cliff stability, natural eroding process and the fact the works being carried out will in no way reduce or prevent these processes, but increase the speed and degree of erosion in this area; which we have already experienced with 5 new falls in the last 2.5 weeks alone. This unprecedented level of activity, along with immediate concerns expressed about a likely significant cliff fall, which has been identified through a clearly visible and growing crack/fault line on the cliff face, now warrants immediate intervention and action from all authorities, with an urgent review of the impact this is having on the ecosystem these cliffs support.



There remains extremely strong feelings on this matter from residents of Newquay and we as an authority share and wholeheartedly support those views.

The Council has commissioned me to express these strong views to Cornwall Council and to formally request the authority undertakes an urgent review into the legality of the cliff works in light of the advances in guidance and legislation since the original planning permission was granted in 2007.

The Council also requests an urgent meeting with all interested parties to discuss this matter going forwards.

Thank you in anticipation of a response.

Yours sincerely,



Andrew Curtis BA (Hons) FCMI FSLCC FInstLM FMAAT

Chief Executive and Town Clerk

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~ For and on behalf of the Council ~