

Report to Saltash Town Council August 2025

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Public Rights of Way Survey

Cornwall's Rights of Way network spans over 4,500 km, and Cornwall Council is inviting people to take part in a baseline survey to understand how people use them. The closing date is 28th September. Here is a link: [Rights of Way Improvement Plan | Let's Talk Cornwall](#)

Report from Paul Cador: Saltash Trematon and Landrake

Treledan

Montel Civil Engineering has been engaged by Bloor Homes as the main contractor for the construction management of a new roundabout, internal roads, and attenuation ponds to support the delivery of new housing at Treledan. Work commenced onsite on 30th June and will be complete in Spring 2026, and all works will be delivered in accordance with the relevant Section 278 and Section 38 agreements.

Key elements of the scheme include:

- The formation of one new access roundabout onto the A38 ·
- The construction of two additional new access junctions ·
- Earthworks remodelling across the site ·
- Installation of storm water drainage works, including attenuation ponds.



Bus Fare Changes

Please see the link to with details of bus fare changes from 3 August 2025. The Transport for Cornwall Partnership has slightly reduced the subsidy to the public for the Adult Fares, while maintaining the current levels of subsidy for the majority of the Child Fares and Young Person Discount. The price of a single journey will continue to cost a maximum of £3 until 2027 through the government's National Bus Fare Cap scheme.

[Price Changes and New Tickets - 3rd August 2025 - Transport for Cornwall](#)

Bus Shelter at Carkeel

Work is about to start on a new bus shelter at Carkeel, with completion due by the end of 2025.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic

Location: Road From Broad Lane to Liskeard Road and Broad Lane, Trematon

Timing: 11th August 2025 to 22nd August 2025 (09:00 to 17:00 hours)

Please click the following link to view a map and associated documents:

<https://one.network/?tm=143675661>

Report from Hilary Frank: Saltash Essa

Unauthorised encampment on Warfelton

In the evening of Tuesday 22nd July, travellers set up an unauthorised encampment on Warfelton, owned by Cornwall Council. Nationwide, there is a legal process that needs to be followed in these situations. First, Cornwall Council needs to conduct a WHEN assessment, to understand any Welfare, Health or Education Needs. After the travellers refused to engage with this, they were served a Direction to Leave, with a deadline of 4pm on Sunday 27th July. Since the travellers did not clear the site, Cornwall Council then applied for a court order.

Meanwhile, the Saltash Police Neighbourhood Team gathered evidence in relation to the significant disruption and distress being caused, and on Monday 28th July used their powers under the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 to issue a Notice to Leave. This notice was successful, and the unauthorised encampment left overnight on Monday 28th.

Cornwall Council is meeting with police representatives to see what can be done to prevent future unauthorised encampments on Warfelton, but evidence from other sites suggests that the installation of barriers is no deterrent.

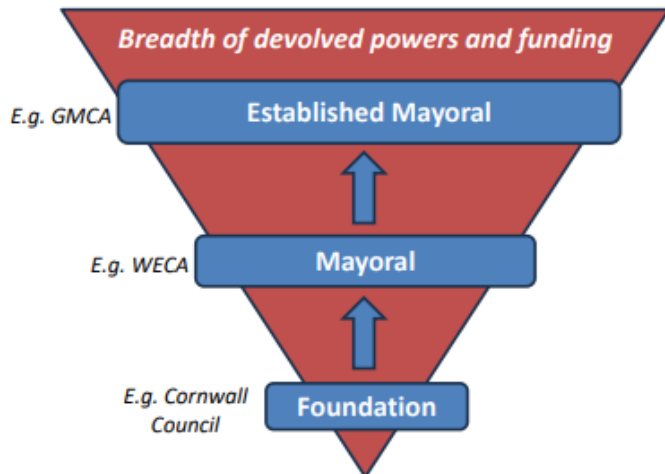
Coincidentally, the annual Safer Cornwall online survey where residents can share their views about crime and anti-social behaviour is currently open. Although there is no specific question about unauthorised encampments, there are some boxes (e.g. question 18) where views could be shared. The survey closes on 31st August.

Here is a link: [Surveys - Safer Cornwall](#)

Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill

On 10th December 2024, government published the 'Devolution White Paper', saying this would be the biggest change to local government in 50 years. This has now been followed up by the English Devolution and Community Empowerment Bill, which was laid before Parliament on 10th July.

Government remains committed to ending two-tier local government.



The Bill will create a new category of authority in England, called the Strategic Authority.

Cornwall Council is already a Foundation Strategic Authority as a result of the 2023 Devolution Deal.

In the White Paper, government invited Expressions of Interest to access the 'Devolution Priority Programme'. Here are the authorities with successful EOIs in this first tranche:

Proposed mayoral combined (strategic) authority footprint	Combined population	Constituent authorities (voting members)	Elections postponed in 2025
Cumbria	c500,000	Cumberland Council and Westmorland and Furness Council	n/a
Cheshire & Warrington	c1m	Cheshire East Council, Cheshire West and Chester Council, and Warrington Borough Council	n/a
Norfolk & Suffolk	c1.7m	Norfolk County Council and Suffolk County Council	Yes
Greater Essex	c1.8m	Essex County Council, Thurrock Council and Southend-on-Sea City Council	Yes
Sussex & Brighton	c1.7m	East Sussex County Council, West Sussex County Council, Brighton and Hove City Council	Yes
Hampshire & Solent	c2m	Hampshire County Council, Portsmouth City Council, Isle of Wight Council, Southampton City Council	Yes
Surrey County Council's elections have also been postponed in order to fast-track local government reorganisation as a precursor to a devolution settlement			

Government is looking to get royal assent for these in February.

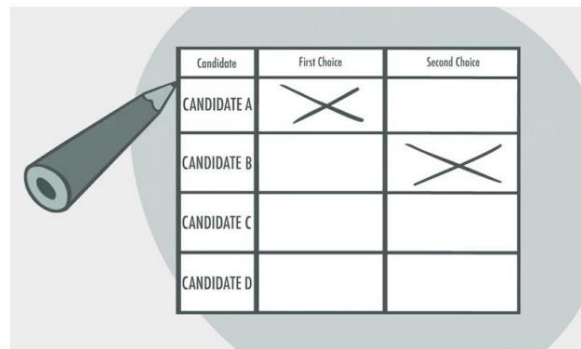
Interestingly, in the White Paper, the stated aim in terms of population was 1.5million, but Cumbria's combined population is 500,000.

The government then indicated a second opportunity for submission of Expression of Interest, and July has seen different positions emerge on each side of the Tamar:

- On 22nd July, a motion was passed by Cornwall Council calling on government to formally recognise Cornwall as one of the five nations of the United Kingdom.
- On 28th July, the leaders of Devon County Council, Plymouth City Council, Torbay Council and district councils across Devon joined forces to call for the creation of a 'South West Peninsula Mayoral Strategic Authority'. The leaders emphasised that their approach remains inclusive, saying that the door remains open for Cornwall Council to join the authority in future.

Two major changes in the Bill compared to the White Paper:

1. The proposal to change the voting system for Mayors from the First Past the Post model to the Supplementary Vote model.
2. The introduction of a requirement on all local authorities to establish **effective neighbourhood governance** to *"...move decision-making closer to residents, so decisions are made by people who understand local needs."*
 Accompanying Government guidance states: *"We want to make sure that all local authorities have a way of working with people in their neighbourhoods, so they are not relying on town and parish councils to do it."*
 There is no detail on Neighbourhood Governance yet. It could be something similar to the CAPs that are in place in Cornwall, but it is still unclear.



Report from Cllr Keith Johnson: Saltash Tamar

Relocation of Beryl Bikes

The Beryl Bike scheme ceased to operate in Saltash from Monday 21st July, with bikes being relocated to other towns in Cornwall. A meeting will take place to ensure that the groundworks will be reinstated to an acceptable standard.

Works to Jubilee Green Car Park

There are planned works along the River Tamar which is for the replacement of failing rock armour to the revetment east of Jubilee Green Car Park on Old Ferry Road. The existing revetment crest wall will be retained as part of the works and there will be no impact on the nearby D-Day monument.

Cormac are currently preparing a submission for planning and other consents such as a Marine License from the MMO.



Opportunity to purchase Parking Space(s) at rear of Callington Road

Following an internal review of this asset, Cornwall Council has decided to dispose of this land (pictured outlined in red on the plan to the right), and would like to offer the opportunity to purchase this parking area to the neighbouring properties and those in the close locality.



Any interested parties who would like more information please email:

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