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Meeting Title	Safer Saltash	
Date:	14 July 2026	
Time:	10 -12:00	
Location:	Guildhall Chamber, Saltash Town Council	
Chaired by:	Lucy Allison	Safer Cornwall (Chair)
	Emily Thusbear	We Are With You
	Cllr Hilary Frank	Cornwall Cllr
	Andy Rance	Livewire
	Joe Day	Livewire
	Charlotte Carpenter	The Core
	Cllr Rachel Bullock	Saltash Town Councillor
	Cllr Paul Cadour	Cornwall Councillor
	Cllr Keith Johnson	Cornwall Councillor
	Drew Burley	Safer Cornwall
	Danielle King	Safeguarding lead at Saltash Community School
	Cllr Julia Peggs	Saltash Town Councillor
	Joe Lewis	Civil Enforcement
Apologies:		
	Kat Buckingham	ASB Caseworker, Cornwall Council
	Jayne Roycroft	Volunteer Cornwall
	Luisa Scott	Children's Services
	Phillippa Davey	Devon & Cornwall Police
	Sinead Burrows	Saltash Town Clerk
	Sarah Diaper	Devon & Cornwall Police
	Gary Smith	Devon & Cornwall Police
	Nachelle Nightingale	Healthy Cornwall
	Julie Hughes	Saltash Town Council
	Martin Cummings	Devon & Cornwall Police
	Jamie Musgrove	Devon & Cornwall Police

1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

The Chair welcomed the group and introductions were made.

Water Safety and Community Safety

- Members discussed concerns regarding young people entering the water during periods of hot weather and the risks associated with cold-water shock.
- An RNLI engagement event was considered to help raise awareness of water safety.

Action: Lucy to enquire whether the RNLI could deliver a local engagement event.

Danielle King advised that assemblies on respect had recently been delivered to students. Cllr Frank queried whether de-escalation training was available for Town and Cornwall Councillors in light of recent incidents involving young people.

Action: Lucy to contact police colleagues regarding de-escalation training opportunities for partners and councillors.

Vandalism and Public Facilities

Members noted recent vandalism, including damage to the stained-glass window at St Stephens and significant damage to public toilets. Due to ongoing vandalism and repair costs, toilet opening hours have been reduced.

Police Engagement and Reporting

Concerns were raised regarding delays when reporting incidents via the 101 telephone service. Members noted that online reporting is often more effective.

Recent engagement by local police and PCSOs was praised, with members highlighting their positive work with young people and visible presence in the community.

2. Agency Updates

2.1 Town Council

Parking on double yellow lines at the bridge approach continues to cause concern for residents. Ongoing issues were also highlighted along North Road, including vehicles parking in cycle lanes, pavement parking, speeding and a number of collisions.

Members were advised that a camera is due to be installed to monitor vehicle speeds. Cllr Johnson expressed frustration at the lack of progress in addressing wider road safety concerns, noting that a recent motion on the matter was not supported by Council.

Members discussed new legislation enabling enforcement action against pavement parking and welcomed the additional powers available to local authorities.

Concerns were also raised regarding the use of e-bikes and their impact on community safety.

Actions:

- Lucy to speak with Will Glassup regarding North Road concerns and ongoing highways issues.
- Lucy/Safer Saltash to consider drafting an open letter to Dan Rogerson regarding the repainting of the zebra crossing and wider road safety concerns.

2.3 Youth Council

Members received an update on plans to establish a Saltash Youth Council in the new school year from September 2026. The initiative was welcomed as an opportunity to strengthen youth engagement and ensure young people's views are represented within local decision-making.

2.4 Saltash Community School

Danielle King provided an update on recent school activities, including Year 10 work experience placements and educational visits.

Students recently attended a presentation from Mike's Trust, during which Becky shared her brother's story and highlighted the devastating impact of knife crime.

The school expressed its appreciation to both Livewire and The Core for their continued support of students and families.

Parental engagement was highlighted as a key safeguarding priority. A programme of coffee mornings and awareness sessions is being planned to provide information and support to parents and carers.

Members were advised that emerging themes and trends affecting young people continue to be monitored, with staff receiving training to ensure appropriate responses and interventions can be delivered when required.

2.5 The Core

The Core is exploring a "Freshers' Fair" style engagement event to showcase local services and support organisations available to young people.

Potential contributors include organisations working in areas such as online safety, exploitation awareness and youth support services. A provisional date of 12 September is being considered. Young people attending The Core and Livewire will be consulted to identify topics and organisations they would find most beneficial.

2.6 Livewire

Livewire provided an update on a new outreach project being developed in partnership with local police. Targeted engagement will take place with young people known to be involved in, or at risk of becoming involved in, anti-social behaviour. Outreach workers will lead this engagement, with a planning meeting scheduled with police partners.

Members were advised that a new member of staff focusing on mental health support will be joining the team shortly.

The Waterside area was highlighted as a recurring concern, particularly during periods of warm weather.

Livewire also informed the group of the recent death of a 23-year-old woman from an overdose at a nearby property and reflected on the wider challenges facing vulnerable individuals within the community.

Concerns were raised regarding the use of e-bikes and motorbikes in facilitating anti-social behaviour and violence, with a recent incident shared for awareness.

Members discussed the proposed social media restrictions for young people and the potential opportunities and challenges such measures may present.

Partners were encouraged to continue sharing information and identifying areas where joint working may help address emerging issues.

The work of the Community Kitchen was praised, with members recognising its valuable contribution in supporting local residents.

2.7 WeAreWithYou

An update was provided on current substance misuse trends and criminal justice work.

The Criminal Justice Team continues to support individuals transitioning from Channings Wood and Exeter Prisons back into the community.

A rise in ketamine use was highlighted, with serious health impacts including bladder damage and long-term catheterisation. Routine blood-borne virus testing is undertaken for individuals released from custody.

Emerging concerns were raised regarding:

- Vapes contaminated with Spice.
- The increasing presence of synthetic opioids, including nitazenes.
- Counterfeit and illicit drugs obtained through online sources.

Festival drug-testing initiatives, alongside homicide timeline and chemsex awareness training, were highlighted as part of ongoing harm reduction work.

Partners discussed the impact of substance misuse on young people and the wider community, emphasising the importance of education and prevention.

Action: WithYou to provide Danielle King with a Criminal Justice Team contact to explore former prisoner presentations within schools.

2.8 Civil Enforcement Update

Members were advised that pavement parking legislation has not yet been fully implemented and that local circumstances may affect enforcement.

Where double yellow lines are present, parking on either the road or pavement is prohibited and may be enforced. Parking on school zig-zag markings remains prohibited, while issues involving pavement obstruction may require police involvement.

Partners were advised that parking concerns should be reported via:

- Cornwall Council's Request for Enforcement (RFE) system.
- The Council's out-of-hours reporting service.

Continued reporting was encouraged to support enforcement activity.

3. Any Other Business

None was raised.

The Chair thanked partners and concluded the meeting.