

To receive a report on the Neighbourhood Plan Review and consider any actions and associated expenditure

Report to:

Planning and Licensing Meeting

Date of Report:

7 October 2026

Officer Writing the Report:

Planning and General Administrator

Purpose of the report:

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and Office Manager / Assistant to the Town Clerk to provide regular updates on the Settlement Spatial Plan project and Neighbourhood Priority Statement.

Pursuant Minute:

P&L held on 19.5.26 Minute 25/26/27.

Officer's Recommendations

To note the updates

Report Summary

Settlement Spatial Plan (SSP)

On 21 September 2026 Saltash Town Council held a key stakeholder workshop at the Guildhall as part of the SSP process, facilitated by ONH Planning Consultants.

The workshop brought together a range of key stakeholders with representatives from South West Water, Saltash Healthcare Action Group, Cornwall Councillors, Cornwall Council Planning and Housing Policy, Cornwall Council Transport Strategy, Tamar Crossings, together with Saltash Town Councillors and Officers.

ONH presented a series of growth scenarios for Saltash and facilitated discussions with stakeholders. Through a series of group exercises, attendees considered the opportunities and constraints associated with each scenario, drawing on their professional knowledge and local expertise. Discussions focused on infrastructure requirements, transport and connectivity, service provision, environmental consideration and potential delivery challenges.

The workshop provided valuable stakeholder feedback which informed the next stage of the Scenario Planning project. ONH reviewed the outputs from the session and incorporated the findings into the development of the scenarios for public engagement.

The public engagement website has been completed, and the accompanying public survey launched on 9 October 2026, this will enable residents and stakeholders to provide their views on the future growth and development of Saltash and clearly identify priorities for the town.

The engagement programme is now underway, with a wide range of sessions scheduled throughout October.

The project aims to reach a broad cross-section of the community, including schools, youth organisations, key stakeholders, and local residents. In addition, Town Council officers and councillors will be available at the Library each day from Monday to Friday, excluding Wednesdays, to discuss the project and answer questions.

Full details of the engagement programme can be found on the Town Council website and the project website: www.saltashplan.co.uk

Neighbourhood Priority Statement (NPS)

The Town Clerk, Officers and Councillors attended Cornwall Council's Local Plan stakeholder workshop on 29 September 2026 at Isambard House, facilitated by Creative Kernow.

The workshop focused on gathering local knowledge and perspectives to help inform the emerging Cornwall Local Plan. A range of interactive sessions were undertaken during the session, focusing on:

- The Town Centre
- Housing and Employment Growth
- What Makes Saltash Special
- Local Intelligence and Place Based Mapping Exercises

Through a series of facilitated discussions, mapping exercises and visioning activities, participants explored housing needs, employment opportunities, connectivity, infrastructure requirements, environmental considerations and the future role of the town centre.

Stakeholders were asked to reflect on how Saltash functions today, how different areas connect, and what improvements may be required to support sustainable growth.

Officers will continue to engage with Cornwall Council's programme and will review evidence gathered through both the Town Council's and Cornwall Council's engagement processes to help inform future planning decisions and support the identification of community priorities.

Budgets – Finance to confirm

Budget Codes:

6275 PF EMF Neighbourhood Plan

Budget Availability:

£12,904.00

Committed Spend:

£10,412.00

Remaining Balance:

£2,492.00

Signature of Officer:

Planning and General Administrator