



Notes

Meeting:	Cornwall Gateway Community Network Panel Meeting <i>Virtual MS Teams Meeting</i>
Date and Time:	Wednesday 8 September 2021 at 6.00pm

Present:	Title/Representing:
Chair - Cornwall Councillor Hilary Frank	Saltash Essa Division
Vice-Chair - Cllr Gary Davis	Deputy Mayor, Torpoint Town Council
Cornwall Councillors:	
Cornwall Councillor Kate Ewert	Rame Peninsula & St Germans Division
Cornwall Councillor Hilary Frank	Saltash Essa Division
Cornwall Councillor Sheila Lennox-Boyd	Saltash Tamar Division
Cornwall Councillor Martin Worth	Saltash Trematon & Landrake Division
Town and Parish Councils:	
Antony Parish Council	Cllr Peter Bulmer
Landrake with St Erney Parish Council	Vice-Chair, Cllr Graeme Francis
Landulph Parish Council	Vice Chair, Cllr Libby Gawith
Millbrook Parish Council	Chair, Cllr Nicky Roberts
Saltash Town Council	Deputy Mayor, Cllr Richard Bickford
Saltash Town Council	Cllr Steve Miller
Sheviocck Parish Council	Cllr Diana Lester
St Germans Parish Council	Cllr Nigel Witton
St Germans Parish Council	Vice Chair, Cllr Alan Hodge
St John Parish Council	Vice-Chair, Cllr Roy Hoskin
Torpoint Town Council	Deputy Mayor, Cllr Gary Davis
Guest Speakers and Cornwall Council Officers:	
Sector Inspector Rupert Engley	Devon & Cornwall Police (min no 3)
James Millidge	Chairman, Safe38 (min no 4)
Will Glassup	Highways Manager, CORMAC (min no 6)
Louise Wood	Service Director for Planning & Sustainable Development / CLT Representative
Catherine Thomson	Community Link Officer, Cornwall Council
Lisa Grigg	Communities Support Assistant, Cornwall Council
Apologies for absence: Cornwall Councillor John Tivnan (Torpoint Division), Cllr Pete Samuels (Mayor, Saltash Town Council), and Cornwall Councillor Kate Ewert (Rame Peninsula & St Germans Division) for early departure.	

No.	Key/Action Points	Action by:
1.	Welcome and Declarations of Interest The Chair of the Panel, Cornwall Councillor Hilary Frank welcomed all present and invited everyone to introduce themselves.	

	There were no declarations of interest.	
2.	<p>Notes of last Panel meeting (16 June 2021) The notes of the last meeting were agreed as an accurate record.</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter of thanks sent to former Panel Chair, Derek Holley. • Terms of Reference amended as agreed. • Economic Impact Assessment of tolls on SE Cornwall – ongoing. • Climate Change – discussed under min no 4. • Highways actions – discussed under min no 6. • Antony internet connectivity – discussed under min no 7. • Grants information sent to Botus Fleming Parish Council. • Devolution meeting held with Saltash Town Council. • Climate Change – CT contacted Clerks outlining the proposal for a Working Group. • Looe Valley Trails Project – Meeting arranged for 24 September with CT, Cllr Ewert and the Project Director to which interested parishes have been invited. 	CT
3.	<p>Devon and Cornwall Police Update Update provided by Sector Inspector Rupert Engley;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please see attached crime figures. • A very busy time across the sector during the last 3 months. • The main challenge, other than a general increase in demand, is the impact of the extra pressure on the NHS, specifically for Treliske and Derriford hospitals. • This has resulted in substantial increases in the time officers are waiting for ambulances at incidents and at hospitals when taking prisoners who require treatment prior to being taken into custody. • There is also an increase in both the incidents of people who are undergoing mental health crises and the time officers are having to spend at such calls. • These are nationwide issues, however, the influx of tourists has placed a disproportionate burden on Cornwall's public services and has inevitably impacted the force's ability to be as visible as we would like. • However, the proactive approach we have taken across our partnership working has resulted in demonstrable benefits with visible reductions at previously problematic ASB hotspots through this busy period. • The ability for the public to be able to contact all the emergency services quickly and effectively remains one of the major challenges we all face, I would ask you all to promote awareness of the live waiting times and contact options which can be found here; https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/contact <p>For context - Total contacts for Devon & Cornwall across the whole of 2020;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 999 calls - 255,087 ○ 101 calls - 652,878 ○ Web chats - 13,046 ○ 101 online reports - 106,068 <p>The contacts for 2021 are on course to be above this.</p>	ALL

	<p><u>Questions and Answers</u></p> <p>Q. How is recruitment going and what is the timeframe? A. It has been ongoing for the last year and has been very positive for the sector with the introduction of 12 new officers. However, it will take 2-3 years for the officers to be fully trained.</p> <p>Q. Are the majority of stalking and harassment incidents in person or through social media? A. It is usually through social media. The increase in reports can partly be attributed to changes in how incidents are now recorded.</p> <p>Q. Is there any update on progress to reinstate Community Speedwatch? A. Covid restrictions have impacted on our ability to recruit volunteers. However, we are keen to resurrect the teams and the excellent work they do and are working to address this.</p> <p>Q. How do you feel about the Councillor Advocate Scheme? There are some concerns at the potential duplication with our Safer Town Partnership which is working really well? A. It will be an additional communication resource to the excellent partnership working we already have, and will be of particular benefit to those areas that do not have Safer Town Partnerships.</p> <p>Thanks were extended to Inspector Engley and his team for their continued support and for their visible presence at the recent Saltash Regatta.</p>	
4.	<p>Update on priorities</p> <p>A38 – presentation from Safe38 James Millidge, Chair of Safe38 updated on their ongoing campaign to improve road safety along the A38 and the positive progress made to date.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A number of short-term deliverable interventions continue to be made including most recently the road safety treatment works west of Landrake. • The announcement that the Menheniot Junction intervention proposals will be revisited is also welcomed. • However, with regard to the Trerulefoot to Carkeel Safety Package, the group are dismayed that the dual carriageway bypass cannot be put forward as an option for public consultation, as the Department for Transport have defined the project in such a way that prohibits this. • The group is disappointed that this classification limits the scope of projects that could be delivered and does not take account of the economic benefits. • The panel's support was welcomed to collectively make further representations via the current National Highways consultation on future road investment; National Highways wants your views on future road investment - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) or • The National Highways ECHO (Every Customer Has an Opinion) tool; ECHO link • CT updated that a further meeting was also being arranged with the Cornwall Councillors and Nigel Blacker, Cornwall Council's Service Director for Infrastructure to further discuss the Case for Action. • Please contact James if you would like further information or are interested in attending future meetings of Safe38. Contact email address is info@safe38.org 	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>

	<p>The Chair thanked James for his attendance and helpful update.</p> <p>Air quality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive meeting held with Cornwall Councillor Ewert, St Germans Parish Council, Ed Halford - National Highways, James Peck - Cornwall Council's Environmental Protection Officer and CT. • Funding has been secured to revisit the indoor filtration trial that was proposed in 2019. Resident engagement is taking place and, so far, 12 out of the 19 identified properties in Tideford have signed up to the proposals. • Cllr Witton queried why the east end of Landrake was not included in the current Aecom study? CT to follow up and report back to Cllr Witton. • Cllr Ewert updated that concept work will start next year for a push button pedestrian crossing for Tideford. Whilst it was recognised it could cause some congestion, National Highways have assured that it will not exacerbate the poor quality of air. <p>Water transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Torpoint Town Team Project Board have agreed the inclusion of the landing stage jetty within the Strategic Outline Case being developed to run in parallel with the Lower Fore Street development. • The Town Team are exploring connectivity with the wider area and linking Torpoint with the villages around the Rame Peninsula. • The aim is to present the Strategic Outline Case to the Cabinet in the Autumn. • Cllr Bickford advised that Saltash Town Council are exploring a potential leisure route between Saltash and Plymouth. CT has provided contact details for the ferry operators. The current landing stage is also being reviewed as to whether it is fit for purpose. <p>Climate change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representatives for the Working Group have been submitted to CT. • The first meeting will be held on 16 September at 10am. CT to keep the CNP appraised. 	<p>CT</p> <p>CT</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Focus Sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chair proposed holding one-off focus sessions for single topic network-wide issues the panel wished to hear more about. It could also provide relevant partners an opportunity to engage with the panel. <p>The panel agreed this was a good approach. Suggestions for initial sessions included; Health & Social Care and Housing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CT reported that the Saltash Area Road Safety (SARS) group had expressed an interest in having an opportunity to feed into the Panel. <p>The Panel agreed that road safety was a concern across the network and welcomed engagement with SARS to collectively discuss issues. Agreed SARS will be invited to future Panel meetings and the Highways agenda item will be amended to include 'Highways and Transport'.</p>	<p>CT</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Highways – Highways Scheme Update/Update from Highways Manager</p> <p>Update on actions from the last meeting;</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replacing yellow lines at Tregantle – the lines were taken out due to surface redressing but were replaced. It was clarified that the yellow lines at Freathy is a separate issue. • Pedestrian sign at Portwrinkle – the sign has been ordered and awaiting delivery. • Pedestrian bridge at Landrake – awaiting update from National Highways. <p>Highways schemes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No major updates. Apologies for the delay in progressing schemes due to sheer volume of the number of schemes, officer workloads and available resources. • Cormac have commissioned Aecom to lead on the TRO schemes and are tasked to have them consulted on and constructed by April 2022. • Hatt - 20 mph limit – Soon to be programmed. Awaiting response from Design Team as some elements may need slight adjustment. • Old Ferry Road – 20mph limit – 3-month lead-in time needed as road closure required – Dates to be notified as soon as confirmed. • Concerns were raised at the detrimental impact the Saltash Fore Street works, scheduled for November, would have on business already struggling as a result of Covid-19 and the Tamar Bridge works. Following representations from businesses, Cllrs Frank and Lennox-Boyd requested that the scheme be delayed until January. WG to inform the Infrastructure Team. • It was queried how the current underspend of £11k will be utilised? CT advised that as some projects were still to be completed, it would be prudent not to allocate the remaining funds in the event that any unforeseen contingency may be needed. • A decision is still awaited on future Highways budgets for the networks. 	<p>WG</p> <p>WG</p> <p>WG</p> <p>WG</p> <p>WG</p> <p>WG</p>
7.	<p>Town and Parish Councils</p> <p>Antony</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The parish is installing new equipment in the play areas at Wilcove and Antony. Further improvements are planned for next year. • Internet connectivity – CT to follow up with Julian Cowans (Superfast Cornwall) and Cllr Worth regarding the Landulph Community Fibre Partnership project. It was suggested this could be a topic for a future focus session if other parishes are also interested. CT to email parishes. <p>Landrake with St Erney</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environmental Sustainability Working Group now established. Parish survey to be undertaken on proposals to improve green spaces and community facilities, to seek views on the A38, and to seek volunteers to join various groups. • The parish has joined the '20s plenty' campaign to reduce excessive speed through Landrake and surrounding narrow lanes, particularly where there are no footpaths or pavements. A local Speedwatch group has also been formed. • The Parish Council has asked National Highways to take overall responsibility for the air monitoring equipment and has suggested that it is installed on the bridge. <p>Landulph</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Road safety remains an ongoing concern with particular challenges for 'the narrows'. Hope to revisit through the Community Network Highways Scheme should the budget continue. 	<p>CT</p>

	<p>Millbrook</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major ongoing traffic issues with ‘the narrows’ at Hounster Hill. Awaiting cost for a feasibility study. • The parish has seen an increase in ASB and is trying to encourage residents to report incidents. • Following a recent demonstration, the parish is keen to explore potential for joint working with neighbouring parishes regarding a new hot foam weed treatment. It was suggested this is raised at the next Rame Cluster Group. <p>Saltash</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact on residents and businesses in relation to the ongoing works to the Tamar Bridge. • Following the excellent refurbishment of the station building, it was suggested it would be a good venue for the next Panel Meeting. • The next project for the station is to address platform lengths and heights – there is a need to get this back on the radar and any support the Panel can give is welcomed. <p>Sheviock</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to problems arising from overnight parking of campervans, which was heightened over the summer period, the toilets at Portwrinkle are now closing at 6pm. Overnight parking is not permitted and signs are clearly displayed but are ignored. CT to follow up with Parking Enforcement to see if anything can be done. <p>St Germans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Panel’s support is welcomed in trying to find a solution to improve road safety along the A374. There are inconsistent road markings and speed measures and signage for motorbikes needs to be updated. CT suggested this is raised at the next Rame Cluster Group Meeting and that she would also follow up with the Police and Cornwall Council’s Transport officers. <p>St John</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overnight and obstructive parking continue to cause issues along Military Road. CT to find out if there is a contact to log reports of overnight camping issues and will circulate. <p>Torpoint</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further information requested on how to register interest in the ‘20’s Plenty’ campaign. CT to circulate information to the Panel. <i>(Information circulated to the Panel 09.09.21).</i> 	<p>CT</p> <p>CT/KE</p> <p>CT</p> <p>CT</p>
8.	<p>Cornwall Councillors</p> <p>There were no major issues to report.</p>	
9.	<p>Future CNP presentations and Focus Sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Adult social care ○ Housing ○ Internet connectivity ○ Licensing and Gambling Act ○ Waste and new contract. 	

	Any other ideas please let CT know.	ALL												
10.	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 8 December 2021 <p>It was hoped this could be a face to face meeting, possibly at the Saltash Station Building.</p> <p><u>The meeting closed at 8.15pm.</u></p>	ALL												
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