

Notes

Meeting:	Cornwall Gateway Community Network Panel Meeting	
	Virtual MS Teams Meeting	
Date and Time:	Wednesday 16 March 2022 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 John Tivnan	Torpoint Division				
Cornwall Councillor Martin Worth	Saltash Trematon & Landrake Division				
Town and Parish Councils:					
Antony Parish Council	Cllr Peter Bulmer				
Botus Fleming Parish Council	Chair, Cllr Dave Edwards				
Landrake with St Erney Parish Council	Vice-Chair, Cllr Graeme Francis				
Landulph Parish Council	Vice-Chair, Cllr Libby Gawith				
Maker with Rame Parish Council	Cllr Wendy Ferguson				
Millbrook Parish Council	Chair, Cllr Nicky Roberts				
Saltash Town Council	Deputy Mayor, Cllr Richard Bickford				
Saltash Town Council	Cllr Sarah Martin				
Saltash Town Council	Cllr Steve Miller				
Sheviock Parish Council	Cllr Diana Lester				
St Germans Parish Council	Cllr Nigel Witton				
St John Parish Council	Vice-Chair, Cllr Roy Hoskin				
Torpoint Town Council	Deputy Mayor, Cllr Gary Davis				
Guest speakers, organisations and Cornwall Council officers:					
Caitlin Hill	Project Support Co-ordinator, Drive EV2 Project (min				
	no 4)				
Will Glassup	Highways Manager, CORMAC (min no 5)				
Derek Holley	SARS (Saltash Area Road Safety) (min no 5)				
James Millidge	Chair, Safe38 (min no 6)				
Louise Wood	Service Director for Planning & Housing, Cornwall				
	Council / CLT Representative				
Catherine Thomson	Community Link Officer, Cornwall Council				
Lisa Grigg	Communities Support Assistant, Cornwall Council				
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Apologies for absence: Clir Anne-Marie Sutcliffe (Maker with Rame Parish Council), Clir Peter Samuels (Mayor, Saltash Town Council), Clir Alan Hodge (Vice-Chair, St Germans Parish Council), Inspector Arron Clarke (Devon & Cornwall Police). Apologies for early departure were also received from Clir Peter Bulmer (Antony Parish Council) and Clir Richard Bickford (Saltash Town Council).

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.	,
	Following the Cornwall Council staffing restructure, the Chair was pleased to report that Catherine has been confirmed in post as Community Link Officer for the Cornwall Gateway Community Network Area but would also be taking on Caradon as an additional network. Louise Wood has also been appointed as Service Director for Planning & Housing. Congratulations were extended to both Catherine and Louise.	
	There were no declarations of interest.	
2.	Public Participation There were no members of the public present.	
3.	Devon & Cornwall Police Update Due to unforeseen circumstances, apologies were received from Sector Inspector Arron Clarke.	
	Derek Holley reported on concerns from residents that there appears to be less foot patrols in Saltash, despite it being understood that officer numbers are back to their full complement? Action: CT to feedback to Inspector Clarke to ascertain if there has been any reductions or changes to resources.	СТ
4.	Drive EV2 Project – Caitlin Hill, Project Support Co-ordinator Please see attached presentation for an overview of the Drive EV2 Project.	
	Questions, Comments and Answers Q. Is there an update on what locations are included in the project? A. Site scoping is currently being undertaken. An initial list will be notified following the scoping exercise and a briefing will be arranged for Members.	
	Q. Landrake are looking at the possibility of installing EV charging points in their village hall car park. Could this potentially be included in the project or is it just for Cornwall Council owned car parks? A. At this stage the project only applies to Cornwall Council owned and operated car parks, however, the parish council can submit an expression of interest to	
	 driveev2@cornwall.gov.uk so that it can be logged. Q. There is a government grant fund which Town & Parish Councils can apply to for charging infrastructures - Grant schemes for electric vehicle charging infrastructure - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) - is this also only available for local authority owned and operated car parks? A. Action: CH to check with the project officer and report back. 	СН
	C. Millbrook has successfully applied for grant funding towards the installation of a single EV point for twin charging. Action: CT/NR to provide further details for circulation to the panel.	CT/NR

Q. Are there any grants available to businesses to help them install EV charging points on CH their sites? A. <u>Action:</u> CH to follow up and report back. Q. Who will set the rates for the charging point prices? Will Cornwall Council have any input? CH A. Cornwall Council are working closely with the supplier. Action: CH to raise at the next supplier meeting and report back with an update. For any further queries, please email driveev2@cornwall.gov.uk **Highways and Transport**

5.

Community Network Highways Scheme

Update on current schemes – Will Glassup, Highways Manager

- The latest update report was previously circulated with the agenda.
- Good progress has been made since the last meeting. The 6 schemes subject to public consultation are now able to proceed and are close to implementation.
- Following representations, it is hoped the Antony Road, Torpoint speed limit extension will be extended to the Wilcove junction.
- Barkers Hill & Burraton Coombe it was queried if the 20mph scheme could be extended through Forder village? Cllr Worth confirmed it has been included for the 20's Plenty scheme.
- The underspend from the previous scheme was queried and whether it could be used to fund a further mobile speed camera? CT/WG advised that the small amount of underspend had been used to fund the TRO deficit.
- Crafthole and Antony is the crossing still going ahead? CT/WG confirmed the crossing is going ahead but is a separate project to the Community Networks Highways Scheme. Action: CT to circulate an update to the parishes.

<u>Update on the expressions of interest received for Community Network Highways Scheme</u> 2.0 to be followed by a prioritisation of schemes – Will Glassup and Catherine Thomson As Cllr Bickford had sent apologies for early departure, Cllr Sarah Martin was nominated as the voting representative for Saltash Town Council.

CT/WG presented an overview of each expression of interest that was submitted and the proposed schemes. WG had assessed each scheme to determine the projects deliverable in year 1 (green) and those deemed deliverable in years 2 and 3 (yellow and red), which would need to be rolled over to the next year for consideration. Please see attached prioritisation.

Comments were invited from the panel. The following points were noted;

- St John The waiting restriction signs for April to November will be undertaken separately outside of this scheme.
- Landulph How do we ensure that funds are allocated so that the yellow and red schemes can be progressed? CT advised that the panel would need to consider these schemes next year when allocating next year's funding. There would also need to be another call out for expressions of interest early 2023 as not all parishes had

submitted. WG assured the panel that he would continue to work on these schemes.

- CT highlighted that, as there were more schemes than available budget for years 2 and 3, town and parishes may need to consider match funding in order for them to proceed.
- <u>Action:</u> CT was asked to enquire as to the feasibility of allocating years 2 & 3 funding together to help simplify the process.
- Cllr Miller raised safety concerns regarding the speed humps installed at Old Ferry Road as part of a previous highways scheme. **Action**: Cllr Miller and WG to discuss.

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WG/ SM

The panel agreed the following recommendation:

- That the Cornwall Gateway CNP supports the expressions of interest that have been identified as green and therefore deliverable in year 1 – with a caveat that the offers of match funding from Landrake with St Erney PC and St Germans PC are taken into account.
- 2. That the Cornwall Gateway CNP agrees that the expressions of interest that have been identified as yellow and red, therefore deliverable in years 2 and 3, be rolled over for consideration next year, with a further call for expressions of interest to made early in 2023.

CT/WG to draft client briefs for each endorsed scheme for submission to the Portfolio Holder by May 2022.

Thanks were extended to WG/CT for all their efforts in assessing the schemes and developing the proposals.

Post CNP meeting clarification:

In the previous 4 year programme the TRO element was funded separately to the to the CNA highways scheme budget. The change with the new programme is that the TRO cost will be picked up by each CNA so that whole scheme costs are reflected. However where possible TRO works in each CNA area are combined so that this is a single fee for all rather than per scheme. Design and consultation will still be reflected within each scheme taken forward for delivery.

Update from Saltash Area Road Safety (SARS) – Derek Holley

 Speedwatch – Cllr Hilary Frank is putting out a plea for volunteers. It is hoped to recruit 5 volunteers to make it feasible and a training session will then be arranged by Cllr Frank.

Tamar Crossings update - Cllr Martin Worth, Co-Chair

- Action: Item to be added as a standard agenda item for future CNP meetings.
- The latest Tamar Crossings newsletter was circulated to the panel prior to the meeting and contained a lot of helpful information.
- Next meeting of the Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee to be held on 18 March. Meeting reports published on the Cornwall Council website;
 Browse meetings - Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee - Cornwall Council

CT

- A fundamental issue remains the need for a detailed Business Plan. Traffic levels are still only 90% of pre-pandemic levels. More people are now working from home which has greatly impacted on the crossings, as up to 80-90% traffic volume is workrelated travel.
- The need for an Economic Impact Assessment of tolls on SE Cornwall was reiterated.
- A petition has been launched by Plymouth City Council lobbying Government to pay a contribution towards the maintenance of the A38 over Tamar Bridge;
 Petition · Government to pay a contribution towards the maintenance of the A38 over Tamar Bridge · Change.org

6. Update on priorities

A38 – update from James Millidge, Chair of Safe38 Partnership

- Stakeholder meetings with National Highways postponed from March to June.
- Encourage people to write to the MP to lobby for maximum investment.
- Following the recent Air Quality meeting, Cllr Ewert updated that National Highways are keen to share data to add to the business case for the Trerulefoot to Carkeel improvements. Cllr Ewert to update at the next Safe38 partnership meeting.

Air quality – update from Cllr Kate Ewert

- Positive, productive meeting held on 11 March with National Highways together with St Germans Parish Council representatives and Cornwall Council officers.
- First tranche of indoor monitors now in place.
- New digital external monitors are also in place and functioning well.
- Vehicle recognition data is being analysed weekly with the air quality officers and software providers. The quality of data and the level of detail is of a high standard.
- The next step is to make the data more user friendly so that it can be shared with local residents and stakeholders.

Water transport – update from Cllr Gary Davis

- Meeting next week to discuss the final draft of the Strategic Outline Business Case to develop the bottom end of Fore Street, enabling a jetty to be built and unlocking the potential for the introduction of a water transport service
- LW advised that the Levelling Up funding or Shared Prosperity are good opportunities. The Government want shovel-ready schemes and Torpoint are in a good space for this.
- The Business Case for the introduction of a water transport service needs to continue to be championed at a strategic level.
- Potential links to the new National Marine Park were highlighted. <u>Action:</u> CT/LW & Cllr Frank to discuss a possible presentation at the next CNP or a single topic focus session.

Climate change – update from Catherine Thomson

- Focus session held on 16 February with Becky Hughes, Nature Recovery Team.
- Climate Change Network Panel held on 10 March. Really useful meeting to hear of the vast amount of good work going on in communities and to share information, ideas and guidance.

CT/LW HF

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7. Community Emergency Plans – Insight from Catherine Thomson

- CT has been contacted by some parishes wishing to review/start a Community Emergency Plan, particularly in light of the pandemic and the recent storms.
- It was highlighted that the plans can be developed for any emergency and that templates/contacts etc are available which can be shared with the panel. <u>Action:</u> CT to circulate.
- It was noted that the parishes in the Rame Cluster are considering the possibility of producing an overarching plan for the Rame Cluster area.

8. Town and Parish Councils - An opportunity for Town and Parish Council representatives to raise issues of wider relevance to the CNA.

Landulph

- Climate Change Working Group held two informative workshop sessions, and both were well attended.
- The Broadband rollout project is expected to be completed by end of April. Currently 170 out of 260 households are connected.
- The Queen's Platinum Jubilee planning preparations are progressing well.

Landrake with St Erney

- The Village Hall Committee are standing down, so the parish are trying to get new volunteers in place.
- Impact of Storm Eunice left the village without power for 48hours. The parish are looking into developing an emergency plan.
- The parish are disappointed not to be included on the Open Reach Broadband list.
- The parish are looking to install EV charging points in the village hall car park.

Millbrook

- The parish council received a letter from Calstock Town Council seeking support in lobbying government for a policy on holiday lets and second homes requiring change of use when dwellings are used for holiday/tourism purposes. The parish council discussed the matter and agreed to draft its own manifesto for the parish to help tackle the current housing crisis.
- Discussion followed on whether a collective approach could be more effective. LW
 offered to facilitate a focus session together with Homechoice. <u>Action:</u> LW/CT and
 Cllr Frank to discuss.

CT/LW HF

<u>Saltash</u>

- The Mayor and Deputy Mayor Elect have been chosen; Cllr Richard Bickford (Mayor Elect) and Cllr Julia Peggs (Deputy Mayor Elect).
- Neighbourhood Development Plan referendum taking place on 17 March.
- Congratulations extended to Sinead Burrows, Acting Town Clerk who has successfully passed her CiLCA qualification.
- The Town Council now has a full complement of 16 Councillors following a recent cooption.

Post CNP addendum

92% of people voting in the Saltash NDP Referendum voted 'Yes'.

Sheviock

- Outdoor adult gym equipment installed next to the children's play area.
- The parish are planning a celebration to rename the area 'Platinum Park' in conjunction with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

Torpoint

- Refurbishment of the play parks due to start w/c 21 March.
- 9. Cornwall Councillors and CLT Representative An opportunity for Cornwall Councillors and CLT Representative to update the panel regarding issues relevant to the whole (or a significant part) of the CNA.

The impact of recent changes to the Go Cornwall bus services was raised, including difficulties in people getting to Derriford Hospital and the loss of the Portwrinkle 70B service. Representations are being made and discussions ongoing with the Public Transport User Groups.

10. | Future meeting dates

Wednesday 15 June (AGM)

ALL

- Wednesday 14 September
- Wednesday 7 December

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

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