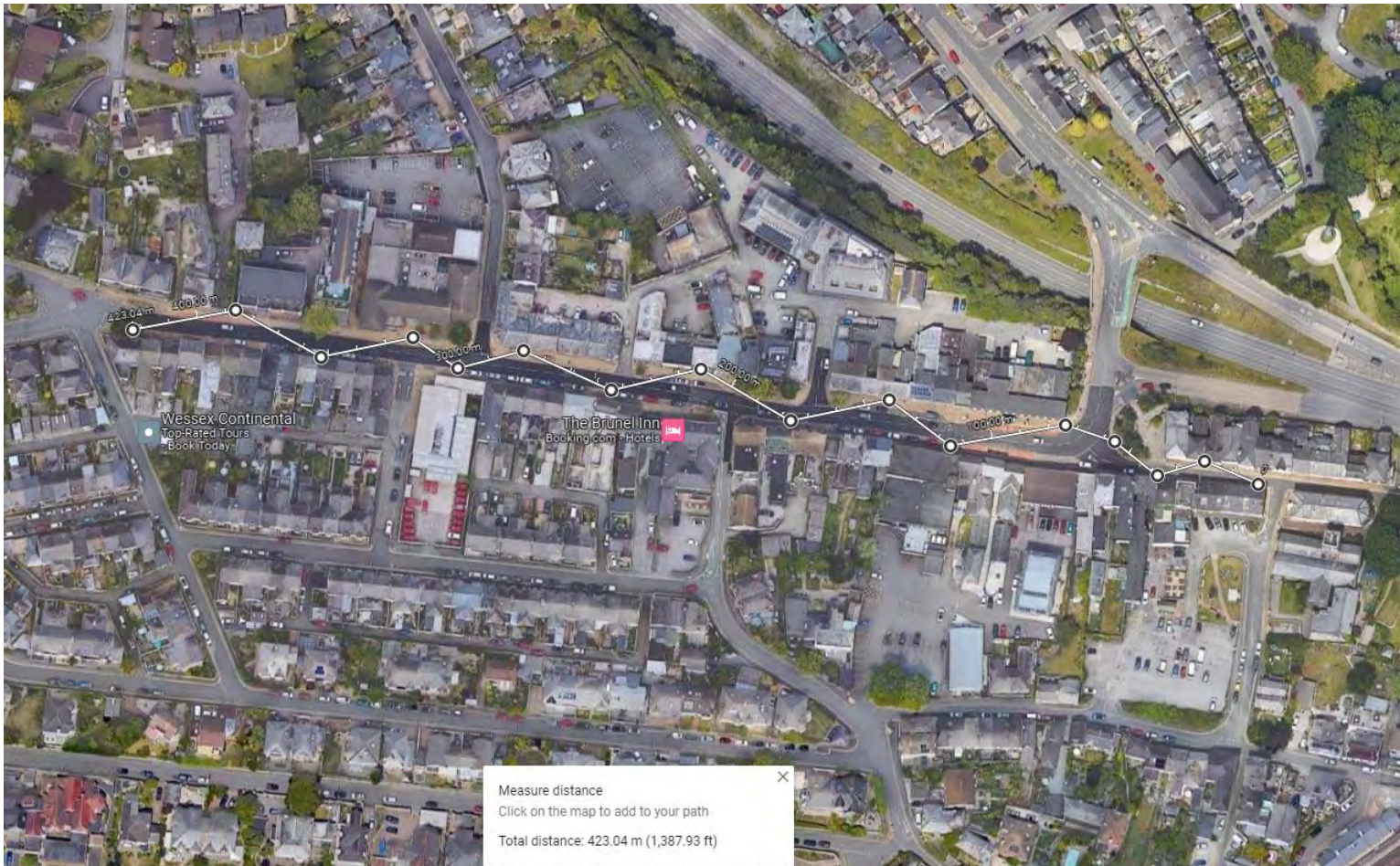
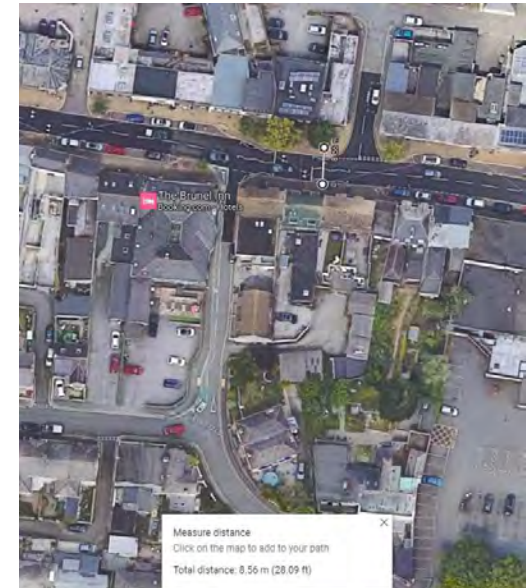
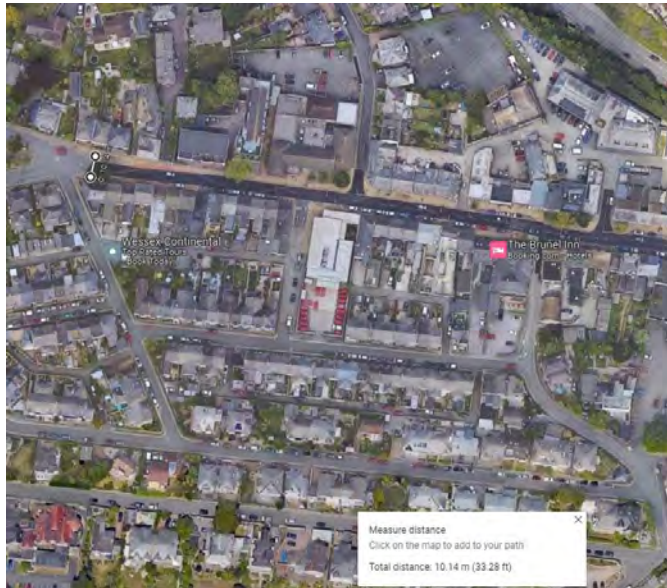
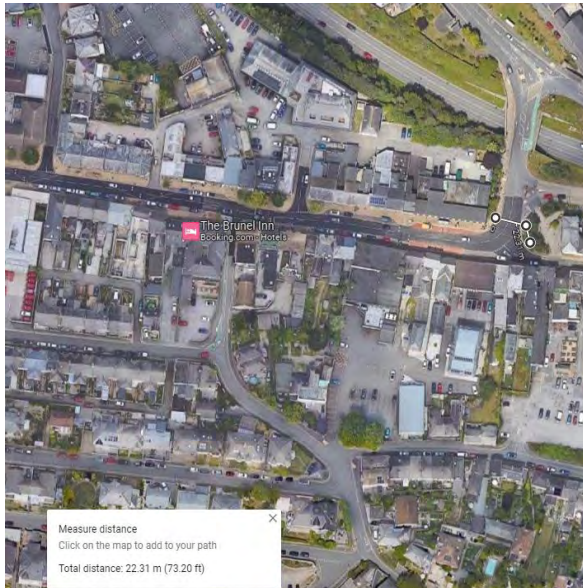


## Catenary Wire Above Fore Street

Measurements and Locations:

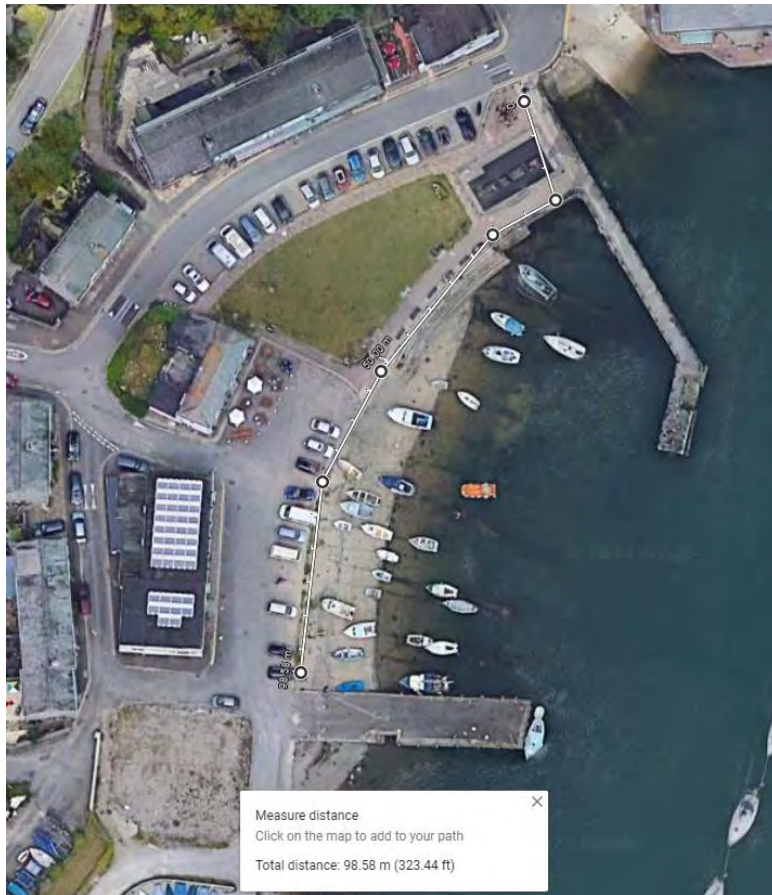




Catenary Wire total length is approximately 464.05 Meters.

Currently bunting, festoon lighting are installed above the highways with the bunting to removed and cross motifs to be erected in time for the festive period.

## Catenary Wires – Waterside



Catenary Wire total length is approximately 220.26 Meters.

Currently festoon lighting is installed.

## Information:

An email was sent to request documentation for the catenary wires installed in 2021 by the Town Councils appointed contractor.

The response received is as follows:

*'NAME retired early 2022 and at the current time we don't have a new office that covers your area.*

*Your message mentioned pull testing certificates, these were not passed over when he retired but they should be completed annually so would not be valid now.*

*As said we don't have a team who can complete this for you but if you look at the construction fixings association website you should be able to find a local accredited person who can complete this for you.*

*They usually charge a set fee per fixing they test (and additional charges for any replacements).*

*The spec for the wire and fixings used should have been submitted at time of install as part of the RAMs, As this is a direct document sent to clients and I don't have a copy unfortunately.'*

No further documentation or certification has been located. Due to the lack of a Method of Inspection nor Quality Level of Inspection Certificate, load testing cannot be confirmed but instead a recommendation will be provided by an appointed contractor confirming if the wires are suitable for proposed use. Due to the way the load of a catenary wire is tested, a destructive means of test, the end result is the catenary wires requiring replacing.

As the catenary wires have not been inspected this poses a health and safety risk as it is unclear if they are fit for purpose. Quotes for a visual inspection are to be considered by Members. The inspection will ascertain the materials, quality and condition of the installed catenary wires and anchor bolts.

Please note this inspection should be completed annually.

Sections of the wires along Fore Street were replaced following Christmas 2021 as the weight load was compromised when installing recycled fabric bunting.

Catenary wires are installed to support the weight of festoon lighting and without the Method of Inspection or Quality Level of Inspection Certificate it is unknown if the load of the bunting is supported. This could result in the wires requiring complete replacement in the near future due to the load being unascertained.

Quotes for Visual Inspection of Catenary Wires:

Company	Details	Total Cost
A	Contacted on numerous occasions.	Quote not received
B	<i>I can confirm that I have attended Fore Street, Saltash, to evaluate the proposed catenary assessment and have expressed that we would not be able to deliver on this project as it is not within our normal range of works.</i>	Quote not received
C	Company C has provided a further quote for the festive lighting for the year 2023. This company has been recommended by Torpoint Town Council.	£1,430.00+vat
D	On annual leave for two weeks. No response received to date.	Quote not received
E	Company E has provided a further quote for the festive lighting for the year 2023. This company provide light installation and maintenance for Plymouth City Council.	£1,400.00+vat

Budget Information:

**Budget Code:** 6572 SE EMF Festive Lights

**Budget Availability:** £10,051.00

Members are asked to consider the following:

1. To appoint a contractor to complete a visual inspection test as soon as possible;
2. Delegate any repairs and maintenance works following the inspection to the Town Clerk to oversee and action reporting back to the following Services Committee meeting;
3. To note the current lack of Method of Inspection nor Quality Level of Inspection Certificates for installed Catenary wires.

**End of Report**  
**Administration Officer**