

Notes

Meeting:	Cornwall Gateway Community Network Panel
Date:	Tuesday 25 th September 2018
Time:	6.30pm
Location:	St Mary's Church Hall, Botus Fleming

Present	Title/Representing
Derek Holley	Cornwall Councillor – Saltash East (Chairman)
Martin Worth	Chairman of Landulph Parish Council (Vice-Chairman)
Hilary Frank	Cornwall Councillor – Saltash South
Sheila Lennox-Boyd	Cornwall Councillor – Saltash North
George Trubody	Cornwall Councillor – Rame Peninsula
Jesse Foot	Cornwall Councillor – St Germans and Landulph
Gary Davis	Cornwall Councillor – Torpoint East
Gloria Challen	Deputy Mayor, Saltash Town Council
Steve Miller	Saltash Town Council
Gerald Willis	St Germans Parish Council
Steve Barnes	St Germans Parish Council
Graeme Francis	Landrake with St Erney Parish Council
Trevor Aughey	Botus Fleming Parish Council
Christopher Cook	Locum Clerk, Botus Fleming Parish Council
Chris Wilton	Chairman, Maker with Rame Parish Council
Councillor John Tivnan BEM	Torpoint Town Council
Tony Parry	Saltash CIC
Steve Burgess	Sheviock Parish Council
Inspector Julian Morris	Devon and Cornwall Police
David List	General Manager, Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry
Simon Mould	Head of Community Safety and Localism, Cornwall Council (deputising for Paul Walker, Service Director, Resilient Cornwall)
Paul Allen	Highways and Environment Manager, CORMAC
Catherine Thomson	Community Link Officer, Cornwall Council
Lisa Grigg	Communities Support Assistant, Cornwall Council
1 member of the public attended the meeting	
Apologies for absence: Cornwall Councillor Sam Tamlin - Saltash West Councillor Nigel Witton - St Germans Parish Council Councillor Nicky Roberts - Millbrook Parish Council Paul Walker - Service Director, Resilient Cornwall, Cornwall Council Alice Gent - Cornwall Fire, Rescue and Community Safety Service, Cornwall Council	

Item	Key/Action Points	Action by:
1.	Welcome and Introductions Cornwall Councillor Derek Holley welcomed all present and invited everyone to introduce themselves.	

<p>2.</p>	<p>Voting arrangements</p> <p>The voting arrangements for the panel were clarified, particularly in light of the future Community Network Highways Scheme deliberations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>All 8 Cornwall Councillors have 1 vote each.</i> • <i>All 11 Town and Parish Councils will have 1 vote each.</i> • <i>If a vote is tied, the Chair will have a casting vote.</i> • <i>Voting will be taken by a show of hands.</i> <p>Town and Parish Councils were previously asked to appoint a voting representative (who is not a Cornwall Councillor). Name plates were allocated to the 'voting' Councillors.</p>	
<p>3.</p>	<p>Devon and Cornwall Police Update</p> <p>Inspector Julian Morris was welcomed to the meeting.</p> <p><u>Crime</u></p> <p>There has been an increase of 360 reported crimes across the network area over the last 12 months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saltash - increase of 97 crimes • St Germans and Landrake - increase of 25 crimes • Torpoint - increase of 5 crimes • Millbrook - decrease of 18 crimes <p>This can partly be attributed to the crime recording standards. There has been an increase in violence without injury which includes harassment, nuisance phone calls, social media abuse etc.</p> <p>However, there has been a decrease in the recording of drug trafficking and this can be attributed to the proactive work of the teams involved.</p> <p><u>Personnel</u></p> <p>There are no plans at present to reduce the number of officers for this sector. The tri-service officer pilot will also be rolled out to increase the total number of tri-service officers to 10. This will be focussed on areas with a low police footprint.</p> <p><u>Proposed Merger</u></p> <p>Following public consultation and engagement, a decision is yet to be made on the submission of a Business Case to the Home Office. The Police and Crime Panel will further debate the issue at an extraordinary meeting to be held on the 5th October.</p> <p>The panel were advised that following a motion passed by Cornwall Council on the 11th September, the Leader of the Council has written to the Police and Crime Commissioner and the Rt Hon Nick Hurd MP, Minister for Policing and the Fire Service to raise concerns about the merger.</p> <p>CT was asked to circulate details of the Cornwall Councillors on the Police and Crime Panel (<i>post meeting note: emailed to panel on 27.9.18</i>).</p> <p><u>Connectivity</u></p> <p>Police representatives attend the multi-agency Safer Town Meetings. Drop-in surgeries are being set up around the network area.</p> <p><u>Estates/Stations</u></p> <p>Saltash has recently been refurbished. Plans are still in the pipeline to sell</p>	

	<p>the Torpoint site for development into residential accommodation which would include a community policing hub.</p> <p>Inspector Morris was thanked for his attendance.</p>	
<p>4.</p>	<p>Resilient Cornwall 2019-2022 – Integrated Risk Management Plan Engagement Survey</p> <p>Apologies were received from Alice Gent, Cornwall Fire, Rescue and Community Safety Service, Cornwall Council.</p> <p>CT circulated details of the current consultation. The panel are invited to take part in the survey to help shape the focus and activities of Cornwall Fire and Rescue Service over the next three years.</p> <p>Full details can be found at; https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/IRMP</p> <p>The panel are encouraged to respond to the consultation which closes on the <u>30th November 2018</u>. CT to email information to the panel (<i>post meeting note: emailed to panel on 27.9.18</i>).</p>	<p>ALL</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry – Public consultation on the financing of the two crossings</p> <p>David List, General Manager, Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry was welcomed to the meeting.</p> <p>Recent public consultation has taken place on proposals to increase the tolls by 33%, rising from £1.50 to £2. The proposed increase is needed to cover extra capital costs, lower income and more investment in maintenance. The last increase was in March 2010.</p> <p>The Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee will discuss the feedback from the consultation and next steps at its meeting on the 5th October. It was noted that the Cornwall Councillors who are also members of the Joint Committee are Geoff Brown, John Crago, Gary Davis, Derek Holley and Sam Tamlin.</p> <p><u>Questions, Comments and Answers</u></p> <p>Q. Has the option of coin baskets been explored? A. We have looked at this option but felt it was not the most efficient or cost effective solution. The machines can breakdown causing significant delays and congestion.</p> <p>Q. Will contactless payments be introduced? A. Yes, this is being introduced in Spring 2019. The current system is 12 years old and is in need of modernisation.</p> <p>Q. Are any further increases to the tolls anticipated in the next 10 years? A. We have forecasted until 2030 and envisage the next re-evaluation to take place around 2025. However, this does not take account of any necessary unexpected works that may arise.</p> <p>Q. Can a Locals Discount Scheme be introduced? A. This is a political decision for members but such a scheme could be difficult to administer and could be open to abuse. 60% of the crossings are TAG and 30% cash but a greater income is received through the cash crossings.</p>	

	<p>Q. Can you advise of any future planned works? A. Underneath painting will continue until next summer but should not impact on users. Overhead works will be carried out on the bridge during November. Major works to the kerbs and waterproofing is planned for next year and will require some lane closures, although it is hoped to carry out as much of the works as possible outside of peak times. Resurfacing is planned for 2020. Not aware of any significant works planned for the tunnel but this is the responsibility of Highways England, although the system and flows are run by the bridge controllers.</p> <p>Q. Can you explain why the new bridge offices were necessary? A. The former offices were built over 50 years ago and were no longer fit for purpose. Portacabins have been used since 2007 but lack the required space and are unsuitable for accommodating all the IT and CCTV equipment.</p> <p>Q. Can you update on the progress of the Learning Centre? A. We are hoping the Learning Centre will be opened in March 2019. Volunteers will be sought to assist with the project and roles will include volunteer guide, learning assistant and researcher. A press release will be issued shortly.</p> <p>C. The car park is often congested. A. We currently have a number of contractors and sub-contractors working on site along with their machinery which has reduced a number of spaces. However, some of these projects will soon be finished which will improve the situation.</p> <p>Mr List was thanked for his attendance and offered to give a future presentation to the panel.</p>	
6.	<p>Public Participation There were no public questions.</p>	
7.	<p>Notes of the last meeting The notes of the last meeting held on the 29th May 2018 were agreed.</p>	
8.	<p>Community Networks Highways Scheme Paul Allen (PA), Highways and Environment Manager was welcomed to the meeting.</p> <p>PA provided a general highways update;</p> <p>Positive progress has been made to address the backlog in potholes.</p> <p>The new interactive reporting system is working well. Customers can track their report, receive direct feedback and check to see if an issue has already been reported. http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/transport-and-streets/roads-highways-and-pavements/report-a-problem-with-a-road-highway-or-footway/ The next stage will look at developing a process for more general enquiries as some reports are for 'service requests' rather than 'defects'.</p> <p>Cormac is looking at how it can better engage with communities and will provide more regular update information to panels. Current and future planned works are currently being collated into network areas and will be</p>	<p>PA</p>

	<p>circulated to the panel.</p> <p>PA highlighted a useful website for checking road closures, diversions, roadworks etc. The website is populated by Cornwall Council's Streetworks Team. The website he encouraged all to use is: https://roadworks.org/</p> <p><u>Community Networks Highways Scheme</u></p> <p>CT gave a presentation on the Community Networks Highways Scheme (please see attached presentation and schedule of the Expressions of Interest). It was summarised that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £50,000 per annum per Community Network Area • 4 year programme and the budget can be rolled forwards year on year during this term • In addition, 1 Traffic Regulation Order consultation per Network Area; costs of design and works to come out of the £50,000 allocation • Includes a review of the historic list of transport scheme requests • For local highways improvement schemes; highways maintenance and urgent safety works are addressed through other budgets <p>It was noted that the historic list of requests was previously circulated to the panel for them to review. No Expressions of Interest were received in relation to the historic list. Comments from each Town and Parish Council will be sought to clarify if any of these historic requests should be included in this scheme.</p> <p>17 Expressions of Interest were received to date and initial assessments were carried out by CORMAC. Representatives were invited to give an explanation of each issue. PA provided feedback on proposed solutions, estimated cost, deliverability and likely timescale. It was noted the estimated costs did not include the design fees. This would be provided for the next meeting.</p> <p>The following points were noted;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landrake with St Erney (signage) – PA and CT to review if submission needs to be separated into 3 separate schemes. • St Germans (Fore Street) – Cllr Willis advised that a quote for feasibility had already been obtained from CORMAC by the Parish Council. PA to review. • Landulph Parish Council (Landulph Cross) – PA clarified this scheme will be escalated to 'high deliverability' following re-evaluation with the design engineer. • Torpoint Town Council (Adela Road) – PA was asked to check if this is publicly maintained as a public footpath runs alongside the road (<i>post meeting note: PA has confirmed that whilst there is a public footpath, the road itself is not publicly maintained</i>). <p>A query was raised about whether there should be a greater focus on 'outcomes' and the positive benefits to the wider community. PA advised this was taken into account during the assessment stage as the information was provided as part of the Expression of Interest. However, it was suggested an additional column could be added to the spreadsheet to reflect this, if the panel wished to explore this further.</p> <p>The Community Network Panel agreed;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. That the six schemes as outlined in the high-deliverability category, with the inclusion of Landulph Parish Council, be approved. 	<p>CT</p> <p>PA</p> <p>PA/CT</p> <p>PA</p> <p>PA/CT</p> <p>PA</p> <p>CT/PA</p> <p>CT/PA</p>
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	<p>ii. To recommend to Cornwall Council to finalise and implement the six schemes referred to in 8i above.</p> <p>iii. That the design costs for each of the remaining schemes are provided for consideration at the next CNP Meeting.</p> <p>iv. That the four schemes deemed to not be eligible to be retained for information.</p> <p>v. That any further Expressions of Interest be submitted 3/4 weeks prior to the date of the next CNP Meeting to enable CORMAC to assess and cost the schemes. The next deadline for Expressions of Interest is 12th November.</p>	<p>CT/PA</p> <p>CT/PA</p> <p>ALL</p>
9.	<p>Cornwall Councillor Updates</p> <p><u>Community Infrastructure Levy</u> The Chairman highlighted the recent consultation on the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) which sought views on how CIL money retained by Cornwall Council should be allocated, and what type of infrastructure it should be spent on.</p> <p>It was clarified that the Parish or Town Council will receive 15% of the CIL income raised in the parish (this is capped at £100 per existing dwelling). Communities that have an adopted Neighbourhood Plan will receive a higher rate of 25% of the CIL income that is raised in their plan area (this is uncapped).</p>	
10.	<p>Town and Parish Council Updates</p> <p><u>Landulph Parish Council</u> The Parish Council is seeking clarification regarding the Tier 2 CIL and affordable housing limit as they have received contradictory information. A meeting with officers has been requested. CT to follow up.</p>	CT
11.	<p>Strengthening Community Networks Update Work continues on the proposals agreed by Cabinet to strengthen Community Networks. The Community Networks Highways Scheme is one example.</p> <p>CT outlined other proposals including whether the panel wished to consider inviting relevant partnership bodies to future meetings.</p> <p>Councillor Trubody proposed inviting a representative of Plymouth Waterfront Partnership to a meeting to hear their future plans. GT to provide contact details to CT.</p> <p>CT updated that an action at the last meeting was to establish a working group to discuss Water Transport and the Rame Transport proposals. An initial meeting has taken place with Cornwall Councillors and Officers. It was agreed that Councillor Worth be included in future discussions.</p>	<p>GT</p> <p>CT</p>
12.	<p>Urgent Items There was no urgent business.</p>	
13.	<p>Next meeting date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 3 December Agenda items: 6 monthly Devolution Update, Budget and the Highways Scheme 	ALL

It was noted that Torpoint Town Council has a Finance and Personnel Committee Meeting scheduled for the same date. Discussion ensued on whether to change the date of the panel meeting, however, due to other meetings and commitments it was agreed to keep to the same date.

The meeting closed at 8.46pm

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