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<b>Meeting:</b>	Cornwall Gateway Community Network Panel
<b>Date:</b>	Wednesday 4 December 2019
<b>Time:</b>	6.30pm
<b>Location:</b>	Saltash Guildhall

<b>Present</b>	<b>Title/Representing</b>
Derek Holley	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash East (Chairman)
Cllr Martin Worth	Chairman of Landulph Parish Council (Vice-Chairman)
Gary Davis	Cornwall Councillor - Torpoint East
Sam Tamlin	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash East
Hilary Frank	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash South
Sheila Lennox-Boyd	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash North
Cllr Nigel Witton	Vice-Chair, St Germans Parish Council
Cllr Steve Barnes	St Germans Parish Council
Cllr Gloria Challen	Mayor of Saltash, Saltash Town Council
Cllr Pete Samuels	Deputy Mayor of Saltash, Saltash Town Council
Cllr Sarah Martin	Saltash Town Council
Cllr Steve Miller	Saltash Town Council
Cllr Averil Pinckney	Saltash Town Council
Cllr John Tivnan BEM	Torpoint Town Council
Cllr Peter Bulmer	Antony Parish Council
Cllr Graeme Francis	Landrake with St Erney Parish Council
Cllr Dave Edwards	Chair, Botus Fleming Parish Council
Alan Cousins	St Germans and Area Public Transport Group
Adrian White	Saltash Environmental Action
Edwina Hannaford	Portfolio Holder for Climate Change and Neighbourhoods
Adrian Foss	Speedwatch Saltash
PCSO Tom Cornwell	Devon and Cornwall Police/Speedwatch Saltash
Inspector Rupert Engley	Devon and Cornwall Police
Paul Allen	Highways and Environment Manager, CORMAC
Catherine Thomson	Community Link Officer, Cornwall Council
Lisa Grigg	Communities Support Assistant, Cornwall Council
<b>Apologies for absence:</b> Cornwall Councillor Jesse Foot – St Germans and Landulph Cornwall Councillor George Trubody – Rame Peninsula Councillor Nicky Roberts – Millbrook Parish Council	

<b>Item</b>	<b>Key/Action Points</b>	<b>Action by:</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Cornwall Councillor Derek Holley welcomed all present and invited everyone to introduce themselves. A special welcome was extended to the guest speakers.	

2.	<p><b>Devon and Cornwall Police Update – Inspector Rupert Engley</b></p> <p>Please see attached presentation regarding the operational uplift following the Prime Minister’s earlier announcement of an additional 20,000 officers by April 2023. The latest crime statistics for the sector were also provided (see attached).</p> <p><u>Questions, Comments and Answers</u></p> <p><b>Q.</b> Are these proposed numbers fair pro rata for our population and crime statistics?  <b>A.</b> These are the figures which the Devon and Cornwall force bid for. We have also requested additional money for equipment and police staff to help support the uplift.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> What is the time limit for the Rejoiner Scheme?  <b>A.</b> This is yet to be decided by the National Board.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> You mention the force may not be able to take transferees during this period?  <b>A.</b> This will apply to all forces. There may be a temporary freeze on transferees as those areas would then have to further recruit to make up those numbers.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> Will the training degree be funded by the police?  <b>A.</b> Yes, it will be part of the tutorship.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> Can we have an update on County Lines?  <b>A.</b> This remains a top priority across the force and a constant challenge. Good progress has been made and communities are urged to continue reporting anything suspicious to Devon and Cornwall Police.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> Have any changes been made to the ‘101’ system?  <b>A.</b> We acknowledge the frustrations, but it is slowly improving.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> Can we have an assurance that PCSOs are still visiting the rural parishes and not just focussing on the main towns?  <b>A.</b> At least 50% of PSCO time is spent working across the parishes.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> With the uplift in officers, are there any plans to increase the number of PCSOs?  <b>A.</b> There are no plans at present.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> How many Special Constables are there?  <b>A.</b> There has recently been an increase of 5 Special Constables in Saltash.</p> <p><b>C.</b> I would like to commend officers for their prompt and effective response to a recent incident in Landulph.</p> <p>The Chairman reminded the panel that Devon and Cornwall Police has a Cyber Protect Officer who is happy to visit community groups and organisations to help raise awareness about Cyber Crime. The presentations are very informative and can be arranged by contacting Graham Mace, Cyber Protect Officer, Devon and Cornwall Police; <a href="mailto:grahame.mace@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk">grahame.mace@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk</a></p>	
3.	<p><b>Community Speedwatch</b></p> <p>PCSO Tom Cornwell and Adrian Foss of Saltash Speedwatch were welcomed to the</p>	

	<p>meeting.</p> <p>The speedwatch team have actively carried out 10 sessions with a total of 48 vehicles reported for being over the speed limit, this being an average of 10%.</p> <p>Feedback from other areas was welcomed. Councillor Tivnan reported that Torpoint has trialled speedwatch for over 6 months but found that the significant majority of vehicles were all within the required speed limits. Councillor Bulmer advised that the Antony speedwatch team had to stop due to health and safety issues with the selected sites. It was noted that all sites have to be assessed by Devon and Cornwall police to ensure sites meet safety standards for volunteers.</p> <p>The Chairman highlighted the importance of speedwatch in educating and raising awareness and asked the towns and parishes to give it further consideration at their next meetings. Please contact CT if you would like further information or are interested in joining a scheme.</p> <p>It was clarified that community speedwatch can only be carried out on roads that are 40mph and below.</p> <p><u>Questions, Comments and Answers</u></p> <p><b>Q.</b> Is it possible to include the wording ‘Community Speedwatch Area’ on town and village signs, similar to those in Pinvin, Worcestershire?</p> <p><b>A.</b> The Highways legislation will need to be checked.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> Are there any plans to bring back ‘Operation Slowdown’ which was a joint initiative with the Police, Fire and Cornwall Council. It was really useful as could be carried out on roads with national speed limits?</p> <p><b>A.</b> Although ‘Operation Slowdown’ is no longer running, we carry out various operations in varying forms to tackle high speed offences.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> Can speedwatch co-ordinators now input vehicle data directly onto the police database?</p> <p><b>A.</b> This is still the intention but has been delayed due to resources.</p> <p><b>C.</b> Cornwall Council is currently reviewing their speed management policy which will involve more collaboration with the police, public protection, highways etc.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> Will this review take into account the rural lanes which also suffer?</p> <p><b>A.</b> DH undertook to flag up concerns with the relevant officers.</p> <p><b>C.</b> Councillor Worth gave positive feedback on the Community Road Safety Forum held the previous day. In particular, reference was made to ‘Operation Snap’ which is a secure online police facility which allows submissions of video and photographic evidence relating to driving offences that members of the public have witnessed. More information available at;  <a href="https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/contact/contact-forms/operation-snap-dashcam-footage/">https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/contact/contact-forms/operation-snap-dashcam-footage/</a></p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>PA</b></p> <p><b>DH/CT</b></p>
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	<p>Thanks were extended to Councillor Holley in his role as Chairman of the Saltash Road Safety Forum which is an active and effective forum which works well for the area.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Inspector Engley, PSCO Cornwell and Mr Foss for their attendance and their helpful input.</p>	
4.	<p><b>Cornwall Councillor Edwina Hannaford, Portfolio Holder for Climate Change and Neighbourhoods</b></p> <p>Councillor Hannaford gave a presentation on ‘Local Government in Cornwall – what does the future hold?’ Please see attached presentation.</p> <p>Feedback was requested from Town and Parish Councils on the following questions;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can the findings of the LOCALITY research be used to enhance the community leadership role of your council? (<i>A copy of “People Power” is attached</i>)</li> <li>• How much capacity is there within your councils to unlock the expertise and enthusiasm of your communities?</li> <li>• What would you require from Cornwall Council, CALC or the Voluntary sector to realise the ambitions of your councils?</li> </ul> <p>In response to Climate Change, Councillor Hannaford explained that Cornwall Council is working on how it can help support town and parish councils and further information will be provided. A new dedicated interactive website is being created, further Summits and Community Network Cluster events are being planned and a Leadership Board will be established with key services and partner organisations.</p> <p><u>Questions, Comments and Answers</u></p> <p><b>Q.</b> With devolution comes a capacity issue which is an issue for many town and parish councils. Some councils struggle to fill vacancies and to encourage younger members.</p> <p><b>A.</b> Maybe there needs to be a review as to why people are not getting involved e.g in Looe the town council offers an allowance for childcare.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> Bureaucracy is also an issue. There are long standing procedures that need to be followed but who is challenging them? Can processes be simplified and decision-making made quicker? Can we make better use of technology?</p> <p><b>A.</b> One of the challenges in the “People Power” publication is ‘challenging long held assumptions.’ Councillor Hannaford undertook to discuss with Sarah Mason, Cornwall Association of Locals Councils and with officers with regard to the Positive Governance Review.</p> <p><b>Q.</b> Training is needed at a very local level, possibly a ‘buddy’ system. All town and parish councils have their own constitutions but we all operate under similar standing orders so possibly a joint workshop could be explored?</p> <p><b>A.</b> Councillor Hannaford to consider.</p> <p>Councillor Hannaford was thanked for her helpful presentation.</p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>EH</b></p> <p><b>EH</b></p>
5.	<p><b>Climate Change and Plastic Free Cornwall Gateway Community Network Area</b></p> <p>Further updates were received from Saltash, Millbrook and Botus Fleming. Please see attached document.</p>	

	<p>CT advised that applications for tree packs from the Woodland Trust for schools and community groups are now closed for this season due to popular demand. However, applications will be live again on the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020.</p> <p>Next steps were discussed. It was agreed that;</p> <p>a) CT will write to the panel prior to the next meeting to see if there is any interest in establishing a small sub-group of the CNA to share ideas and best practice around Climate Change and Plastic Free and;</p> <p>b) CT to seek nominations for the sub-group, with consideration to be given to those most involved in this issue albeit they are not attendees at panel meetings.</p>	<p>CT</p> <p>CT</p>
6.	<p><b>Public Participation</b></p> <p><u>Public Transport</u></p> <p>Alan Cousins of the St Germans and Area Public Transport Group updated on the enhanced rail provision benefitting the area and circulated new timetables for trains to and from St Germans.</p> <p>Public transport in Cornwall has also received a significant boost with the Chancellor's promise of a £23.5m funding package over the next for 4 years for a "Reduced Bus Fares" pilot to support the Councils ongoing commitment to improving bus and rail for its residents.</p> <p>Mr Cousins highlighted that with this enhanced provision and the climate change emergency, it was an opportune time to encourage greater use of public transport.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Mr Cousins and the public transport group for their invaluable work and for the excellent leaflet produced which other parishes might wish to consider doing for their own areas.</p> <p>The Chairman further advised that an update will be sought on the One Public Transport System for Cornwall Project and how it affects the Cornwall Gateway CNA.</p>	DH/CT
7.	<p><b>Notes of the last meeting</b></p> <p>Agreed.</p>	
8.	<p><b>Community Networks Highways Scheme update</b></p> <p>The schemes previously agreed by the panel are progressing well; 5 schemes have already been completed and 8 Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) are at an advanced stage.</p> <p>It was noted that due to some of the larger projects coming in under budget, there was a £30k underspend which will be rolled over to the next tranche.</p> <p>It was agreed that CT will write to the Towns and Parish Councils requesting expressions of interest for Year 4 projects, with the intention that the panel considers the proposals at the May meeting.</p> <p>The statutory consultation period was queried. PA clarified that it was a 3-week consultation period and notices will be displayed around the area. The panel were</p>	<p>CT</p> <p>ALL</p>

	<p>encouraged to register for the Online Consultation Finder to be pre-notified;  <a href="https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/transport-and-streets/roads-highways-and-pavements/consultations-on-traffic-and-roads/">https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/transport-and-streets/roads-highways-and-pavements/consultations-on-traffic-and-roads/</a></p> <p><u>Mobile Speed Activation Sign</u>  CT thanked the town and parish councils for their feedback. There was positive support for a network-wide scheme for a mobile speed activation sign that could be moved around the network area.</p> <p>CT to collate the feedback and proposed sites for Paul Allen, Highways and Environment Manager, CORMAC to assess and will be brought back to the next meeting for further consideration.</p> <p>An estimated cost of £18,700 for 11 changes was previously quoted but this will need to be reviewed taking into account an assessment of the sites put forward, how the signs are allocated and how long it stays in an area.</p> <p>Thanks were extended to Paul Allen for his help in progressing the schemes.</p>	<b>CT/PA</b>
9.	<p><b>South East Cornwall Economic Development working group</b>  Councillors Davis and Worth updated that feedback has now been received from all town and parish councils in the Cornwall Gateway and Caradon CNAs. 1 response is still awaited from the Liskeard and Looe CNA. The Cornwall Chamber of Commerce is being consulted for their aspirations.</p> <p>Julian Cowans, Superfast Cornwall will attend the next meeting of the Working Group in January to discuss internet access and 5G, and David Rodda, Economic Growth Manager will provide an economic overview for Cornwall.</p> <p>The group will then look at identifying gaps and opportunities to start developing a plan for South East Cornwall setting out its economic priorities and how they can be addressed.</p>	
10.	<p><b>Community Network Panel Priorities update</b></p> <p><u>Water Transport</u>  Positive meetings have taken place with David List, Plymouth CC and ferry operator and Economic Regeneration. The Working Group and Arcadis are currently considering the feasibility report and working through the finer detail.</p> <p><u>Air quality</u>  Councillor Witton is awaiting a response to various issues including confirmation of the new Air Quality Officer following Eloise’s departure. CT to follow up with the Head of Community Protection.</p> <p><u>A38</u>  No current update from Central Government due to it being in the General Elections purdah period.</p>	<b>CT</b>
11.	<b>Cornwall Councillor and Town and Parish Council Updates</b>	

	<p><u>Landulph Parish Council</u> Councillor Worth reported that following a funding application from Landulph Under 5's, the parish council had agreed to support them with the maximum amount of grant it could donate under Section 137. It was noted that as some of the children reside in the Botus Fleming parish, a funding request was also being made to Botus Fleming Parish Council.</p>													
12.	<p><b>Urgent Items</b></p> <p><u>Summary of CNP Actions</u> Following the last meeting, a summary report of the main issues raised was created and piloted with Saltash Town Council. CT asked if this proved useful as it could be rolled out to all the town and parish councils in the CNA. This was agreed.</p> <p><u>Tamar Bridge</u> Considering the Severn Bridge has removed its tolls, it was queried whether there was anything that could be done to lobby central government. In response, it was clarified that the removal of the tolls for the Tamar Bridge would most likely have an adverse impact on the cost of the Tamar ferry crossings.</p>	CT												
13.	<p><b>Next meeting dates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday 12 February 2020 – Rural Business Centre, Antony.</li> <li>• Wednesday 13 May 2020</li> <li>• Wednesday 9 September 2020</li> <li>• Wednesday 9 December 2020</li> </ul> <p><u>The meeting closed at 9.00 pm</u></p>	ALL												
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