

Notes

Meeting: Cornwall Gateway Community Network Panel		
	Virtual MS Teams Meeting	
Date and Time:	Wednesday 11 February 2021 at 6.00pm	

Present:	Title/Representing:	
Cllr Richard Bickford	Saltash Town Council	
Gary Davis CC	Cornwall Councillor - Torpoint East	
Cllr Dave Edwards	Chair, Botus Fleming Parish Council	
Jesse Foot CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Germans and Landulph	
Cllr Graeme Francis	Vice-Chair, Landrake with St Erney Parish Council	
Hilary Frank CC	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash South	
Derek Holley CC	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash East (CNP Chairman)	
Cllr Roy Hoskin	Vice-Chair, St John Parish Council	
Sheila Lennox-Boyd CC	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash North	
Cllr Diana Lester	Sheviock Parish Council	
Cllr Sarah Martin	Saltash Town Council	
Cllr Penny Mathers	Landrake with St Erney Parish Council	
Cllr Steve Miller	Saltash Town Council	
Cllr Nicky Roberts	Chair, Millbrook Parish Council	
Cllr Pete Samuels	Mayor of Saltash, Saltash Town Council	
Sam Tamlin CC	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash West	
Cllr John Tivnan BEM	Torpoint Town Council	
Cllr Nigel Witton	Vice-Chair, St Germans Parish Council	
Cllr Martin Worth	Chair, Landulph Parish Council (CNP Vice-Chairman)	
Inspector Rupert Engley	ector Rupert Engley Devon and Cornwall Police (min no 2)	
Heidi Clemo	Census Engagement Manager (East Cornwall), Office for National	
	Statistics (min no 3)	
Andrew Long CC	Cornwall Councillor - Callington (min no 4)	
Dorothy Kirk CC	Cornwall Councillor - Gunnislake and Calstock (min no 4)	
Paul Allen	Highways and Environment Manager, CORMAC (min no 6)	
Willliam Glassup	Highways and Environment Steward, 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:		
George Trubody CC	Cornwall Councillor – Rame Peninsula	

Item	Key/Action Points	Action by:
1.	Welcome and Introductions	

The Chairman, Cornwall Councillor Derek Holley welcomed all present.

2. Devon and Cornwall Police Update – Inspector Rupert Engley

- The latest crime figures for the sector were summarised. Please see attached.
- There has been an overall 7.5% reduction in recorded crime.
- There has been a significant reduction in alcohol and public order related offences particularly over the Christmas and New Year period. However, this is likely to change when the lockdown restrictions are lifted.
- There were 312 reports of Covid breaches, of which 230 related to travel or second homes. All reports were investigated and the majority of cases resolved through communication and engagement.
- The sector now has 10 new response officers since the uplift last March with 4 more expected this year. A dedicated Neighbourhood Beat Manager (NBM) has been appointed for Saltash and is due to start w/c 16 February.
- There is currently a 12% average of staff absence due to officers having to isolate or through illness.

Questions and Answers

- Q. Can you provide an update on County Lines?
- **A.** There are currently no active cases of County Lines in this sector. There are still some drug related issues but they do not involve County Lines.
- **Q.** Have officers received vaccinations?
- **A.** Yes, some officers have been vaccinated in line with the eligibility criteria.
- **Q**. I am concerned at the number of recorded rape crimes. Are the police taking action on this? Is there anything parish councils can do? Are the number of reports higher than other areas? Is there a Crisis Centre locally?
- **A.** The majority of reports are domestic or historic. Dealing with Domestic Abuse remains a top priority for the force. The number of reports is comparable to other sectors. There is a Crisis Centre locally.
- **Q.** Can you clarify what future support there will be for the Landrake Speedwatch Scheme following the recent retirement of our PCSOs?
- **A.** Speedwatch Schemes are currently suspended in line with Covid restrictions. However, they will continue to operate as normal when permitted and will be managed by new officers to be advised.
- Q. Can you clarify the area the new NBM will cover?
- A. Please see attached response from Inspector Engley.

3. Census 2021 - Heidi Clemo, Census Engagement Manager (East Cornwall), Office for National Statistics (ONS)

- Census Day is Sunday 21 March 2021.
- Census 2021 is a digital-first census. People are encouraged to respond online if they can and will receive an access code with instructions from the ONS.
- Paper copies can be requested for anyone without digital access.

- Census field officers will be visiting households that have not completed the census at the end of March/April, working in line with Government Covid guidance.
- Cornwall Council's campaign for a Cornish tick box for the 2021 Census was not successful, however, those who wish to identify as Cornish can do so in the open text box.

Questions and Answers

- **Q**. Will there be a telephone number for people to ring to request a paper form if they do not have digital access?
- A. Yes, a phone number will be released and will be included in the letter from the ONS.
- **Q.** How soon will the results be made available?
- **A.** Towards the later part of the year.
- **Q.** Can information be sent out to the town and parish councils?
- **A.** HC is liaising with the Clerks to provide information. Posters etc can also be provided in different languages and formats if required. The website also includes a lot of helpful information which can be downloaded; Census 2021
- **Q.** Will there be a media campaign specifically aimed at how people can identify as Cornish through the text box? Will the costs of this be met by the ONS?
- **A.** Cornwall Council will be doing its own PR campaign to highlight this. The ONS will not cover this cost. HC will also promote through local media.
- **Q.** Can you clarify how the text box will be shown?
- **A.** The text box will be available under the 'Identity' section. There will be a drop-down box and people will need to select the text box and type in 'Cornish'. It is hoped pictorials will also be included as part of the campaign to better demonstrate this.

4. Tamar Crossing Summit - Cllr Andrew Long and Cllr Dorothy Kirk

- Councillors Long and Kirk outlined a proposal for a cross-border Summit (post the May elections) to jointly consider issues and work together to progress long term solutions.
- The Summit will provide an opportunity to discuss broader issues such as connectivity, economy and growth, environment and planning.
- Cllr Long was seeking support for this proposal from the border CNAs of Launceston, Caradon & Cornwall Gateway, followed by full Council.
- An approach will then be made to Plymouth City Council and the bordering Devon District Councils of South Hams, West Devon and Torridge.

The Panel welcomed this idea and agreed to send a letter of support to Councillors Long and Kirk in favour of holding a cross-border Summit. (Proposed by Councillor Foot and seconded by Councillor Holley)

DH/CT

5. Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

6.	Community Network Highways Scheme Update - Catherine Thomson, Community Link	
	Officer and Paul Allen, Highways Manager, CORMAC	
	Client Briefs have been submitted to the Portfolio Holder for Transport for the 10	
	schemes approved by the panel at the last meeting.	
	 The latest update from Cormac on the Years 1, 2 & 3 schemes was previously circulated to the panel. 	
	 Cllr Witton highlighted there were reports of car tyre scuff marks on the 	
	pavement following the recent virtual footway works. PA/WG to carry out a site check.	PA/WG
	 Mobile Speed Activation Sign (MSAS) – Highways Manager to finalise specific 	PA/WG
	locations with each parish and to undertake safety assessments.	
	As agreed at the last meeting, the Chairman on behalf of the panel wrote to the	
	Portfolio Holder for Transport expressing its support for the continuation of the	
	scheme. Thanks were given to Landrake Parish Council for their letter of support. Response received from Cllr Brown stating that he supported the continuation of	
	the scheme into the new administration and that the proposed budget for 21/22	
	made allowance for the scheme to continue.	
	PA summarised the key issues in the recent Cormac Update Newsletter sent to town and parish councils;	
	 Overhanging branches/hedge maintenance – Responsibilities clarified for the Local Authority and landowners. 	
	 'To mow or to grow' - Feedback requested from town and parish councils. 	ALL
	Salt bins – Refills need to be considered by town and parish councils as Cornwall	ALL
	Council only fills them once at the start of each winter. Noted that WG will be	WC
	reviewing where all bins are sited in parishes to ensure records are up-to-date as some bins were not filled.	WG
	 one.network – National interactive database which shows road works taking 	
	place across the country. It was commented that it would be helpful if it showed	WG
	the utilities. WG to feedback to Streetworks.	•••
	As this was Paul's last meeting, the panel wished to record their thanks and appreciation to Paul for his invaluable help and support and wished him all the best for his retirement. A welcome was extended to Will Glassup who will be taking over from Paul.	
7.	Cornwall Gateway Climate Change Working Group proposal – Catherine Thomson, Community Link Officer	
	CT outlined a proposal for a Climate Change Working Group to be formed with	
	representatives from town and parish councils and interested local groups as an	
	opportunity to share ideas and information.	
	The panel welcomed this proposal. CT to follow up and will update the panel.	СТ
8.	Town and Parish Councils – update from each representative on their issues/activity	
	Antony – No update.	
	Botus Fleming	
	Negotiations ongoing regarding the purchase of the Recreation Field.	
	 Volunteers continue to assist the elderly and vulnerable in the community. 	

Landrake

- New working group formed for Environment and Climate Change.
- Cyber Crime awareness session to be held later this month with Grahame Mace.
- The parish is concerned that it will lose the ability to operate virtual parish council meetings from the 7th May. CT was asked to look into the legalities with CALC. The parish council will also make representations to central Government.

CT

Landulph

- Road safety is still an issue. The need for a 30mph limit is becoming increasingly evident with more walkers using the lanes.
- Community Broadband Scheme to be discussed at the next parish council meeting in February. A representative from Openreach will be in attendance. The parish has received a quote from Openreach to connect all 264 of its residents. The deadline for the scheme has been brought forward to the end of March.
- The parish is concerned at how hybrid meetings would work post-election and the legislation that will be provided to support parishes in hosting such meetings.
 CT to raise with CALC.

CT

Millbrook

- Issues with HGVs and articulated lorries coming into and exiting the village, resulting in damage to 3 properties.
- Zoom meetings have been working well and the parish is also concerned at meeting arrangements post elections.

Maker with Rame – No report.

<u>Saltash</u>

- Zoom meetings have been working well. Town council is also concerned at the meeting format post-elections.
- Guidance welcomed and a clear set of criteria needed for what is permitted for candidates in the forthcoming election to ensure a level playing field.
- Town Team are discussing early stages of potential projects.
- Concerns regarding a proposal for an electric sub-station in Belle Vue West car park. Cllr Holley is organising a site visit with Western Power and will send an invite to Cllr Samuels.

DH

Sheviock

- Parish would also like to continue Zoom meetings which have been successful.
- Toilets at Portwrinkle are currently closed due to potential Covid risk to vulnerable staff/users. Maintenance will be undertaken in the meantime.
- Community volunteer scheme is assisting residents with transport to vaccination sites if required.

St Germans

- Community Larder still running, also with a book exchange and toy swap.
- Lease renewal with Port Eliot for the play area at Tideford ongoing.
- Bethany Chapel Registered as an Asset of Community Value. Awaiting results of Residents Survey.

St John

- No issues to report. Meetings continue online but parish would like to revert back to face-to-face meetings when permissible.
- Ongoing parking obstruction issues at Military Road.

Torpoint

- Town Council still meeting via Zoom which works well.
- Contracts for the devolution of parks and tennis courts have been completed.
- Town council has worked closely with the Rame Group Practice and 2 Covid vaccination clinics have been held in the Council Chambers with over 1000 people vaccinated. A further session to be held on the 11 February.
- Town Council has secured Town Vitality Funding of £50k to develop a strategic outline case with consultants for the lower end of Fore Street. A Town Team has been established.

9. South East Cornwall Economic Development Sub-Group Update - Gary Davis CC / Councillor Martin Worth

- Cornwall Council's Design Team is producing a visual project overview summary and map. A draft will be sent to the sub-group when completed.
- The need for an Economic Impact Assessment on the tolls on the Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry and the adverse economic impact on SE Cornwall has been raised. A number of officers have currently been seconded to the Covid response so a further update is awaited.

10. Community Network Panel Priorities

Water Transport Working Group Update

- Working Group has not met since the last CNP meeting.
- Arcadis appointed by Cornwall Council to produce a costed proposal for a landing stage in Torpoint.
- The Feasibility Study has been completed and circulated to the Working Group.
- An Executive Summary is awaited which can be made publicly available.
- Cllr Bickford asked if the status and quality of the access points at Saltash have been assessed for a pontoon? It was clarified that this was not part of the brief and would need to be taken into account with Economic Growth for a further stage. CT was asked to feedback that Saltash have expressed an interest in this.

CT

A38 Update

- Cllr Foot summarised the latest A38 Progress Update from the Local Transport and Road Safety Lead, Cornwall Council (please see attached).
- Thanks were extended to SARS (Saltash Area Road Safety) and SAFE38 for their campaigns.

Air Quality

Data still awaited. Cllr Foot to follow up.

JF

11. Notes of the last meeting (09.12.20)

Agreed as a correct record.

12. Urgent Items

Saltash Walking and Cycling Map

 Cllr Holley advised that a Saltash Walking and Cycling Map had been produced in conjunction with Sustrans and Cornwall Council. The map will be available digitally as well as hard copy. Copies will be circulated to households and community locations. It was understood Government funding was available to help improve pedestrian and cycling facilities and it was suggested that towns or parishes may wish to explore a similar project. Please contact CT for further details.

ALL

Chairman's Announcements

- As Councillor Gary Davis was not standing for re-election, and this would therefore be his last CNP Meeting as a Cornwall Councillor, the Chairman on behalf of the panel thanked Councillor Davis for all his efforts and accomplishments.
- The Chairman also took the opportunity to thank the panel, CT and LG for all their support and wished to acknowledge how well the panel worked together to address local issues and priorities.

13. Next meeting dates

Wednesday 16 June

ALL

- Wednesday 8 September
- Wednesday 8 December

Towns and parishes were asked if they could please note these dates to avoid any potential town or parish council meeting clashes.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm

Contact Officers:

If you have any gueries about the Community Network Panel, please contact:

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Briefing note

A38 Progress Update

05 February 2021

The A38 is a key transport corridor linking Cornwall to Plymouth, Devon and the rest of the country via the wider strategic road network. This corridor is vital to the connectivity of businesses and people in Cornwall. Cornwall Council (CC) are working collaboratively with Highways England (HE) to campaign for major investment to be secured to deliver improvements that support economic growth in terms of reliability and resilience and funding in the shorter term to address safety issues. The follow provides an update on the three areas of work currently progressing.

A38 Trerulefoot to Carkeel Safety Package Project

The Road Investment Strategy 2 (RIS): 2020-2025 published details identifying the A38 Trerulefoot to Carkeel Safety Package Project as a RIS 3 pipeline project. The RIS3 Pipeline, is a programme of 32 schemes that Government have asked HE to develop options for between 2020-2025. Not all of the 32 projects will be built but the work HE is doing now will help Government decide which schemes might be funded for delivery from 2025 onwards.

Funding has been secured in this current 5 year period to undertake a strategic study of the A38 between Trerulefoot to Carkeel and the project team is currently developing a long list of possible solutions and will be engaging with stakeholders locally about any concerns they have in relation to this stretch of road. By the end of 2021, this will be narrowed down to create a shortlist of realistic, achievable highway improvements that could be delivered within Government available funding.

Next year HE will look to carry out an options consultation locally, so that people can have their say on which option should be put forward to Government for consideration. Information will be made available nearer the time on www.highwaysengland.co.uk

Key Project Milestones

- Project awarded to Highways England Framework consultancy team Capita Pell Frischmann JV, in Autumn 2020.
- The project is currently in Stage 1 (Options Identification). It is anticipated that this stage will finish in winter 2021/22. This stage will ensure that the project delivers

value for money, in accordance with the established Project Control Framework (PCF) process.

- Completion of PCF Stage 2 (Option Selection) is anticipated for late summer 2022, at which point the project will be referred back to the Department for Transport (DfT) for decision-making.
- None of the pipeline projects, including this one, are committed for delivery at this stage. It will be for DfT to decide whether the project can continue beyond the options selection stage.
- Once committed for delivery, the project would the advance through the 'Development' and 'Construction' stages.

If you require any further information regarding this scheme the team can be contacted directly via email A38TCSafetyPackage@highwaysengland.co.uk

A38 Menheniot to Lean Quarry Junctions

DfT has instructed HE to carry out a preliminary study to better understand the issues on the Menheniot and Lean Quarry junctions on the A38. The study will be carried out separately from the A38 Trerulefoot to Carkeel RIS3 Pipeline scheme as this is the most efficient way to carry out this work without delaying the work on the pipeline scheme.

The preliminary study will help HE establish a clearer understanding of the need for a scheme, as well as its likely costs and benefits, and provide a clear case to Government for its decision making. HE is committed to keeping people informed and will be providing regular updates on progress.

A38 Route Safety Improvement Measures Feasibility Study

CC on behalf of HE commissioned framework consultants Aecom to review potential quick win road safety focused improvements. This project forms the Feasibility Stage of HE's project progression; funding to carry out detailed design and delivery has yet to be secured. This study has reviewed the following areas:

- Whole Route median hatching, road markings, '2+1' climbing lanes and village gateway enhancements.
- Carminow Roundabout, Bodmin, to Twelvewoods Roundabout chevron signage, carriageway edging marker posts, road markings and surfaces at bends, existing lane destination markings, signage at roundabouts and cycle route signage to Bodmin.
- Catchfrench Junction, Trerulefoot to Landrake Village Tideford village improvements, Kilna Lane and St Erney junctions, chevron signage, road markings and edging marker posts.

All drawings produced are currently in the final stages of review with HE and once all modifications are complete and approved, work to finalise the report will be advanced. The report is expected to be complete by Spring 2021.

Prepared by:
Natalie Warr
Local Transport and Road Safety Lead
Transport & Infrastructure
15 February 2021



Your questions answered

What is the Census?

The census is a survey that happens every 10 years and gives us a picture of all the people and households in England and Wales. All kinds of organisations, from local authorities to charities, use the information to help provide the services we all need, including transport, education and healthcare. Without the census, it would be much more difficult to do this.

When should I fill in my census questionnaire?

Census Day is Sunday 21 March – but you can fill yours in as soon as you get your access code in the post. Your answers should be about the people who usually live in your household on this date – even if you're filling it in before then. If you need help, visit www.census.gov.uk

Do I have to take part?

If you live in England and Wales, you must take part in the census - it's a legal requirement. Census information helps inform how billions of pounds of public funding is spent. By taking around 10 minutes per person to fill in the census questionnaire, you will help make sure your community gets the services needed now and in the future.

Will the government use the information I provide to identify me?

No. The Office for National Statistics (ONS), which is an independent public body, carries out the census in England and Wales. It only ever publishes anonymous information from the census. In fact, it's a crime to share personal census information and everything you say is protected.

How will the census make a difference to me?

The census makes a difference to everyone. It's a once-in-a-decade chance to have your voice heard and help inform the future of your local area.

What if I do not identify with the census options?

The census asks you about your ethnicity, gender and sexual orientation, religion and national identity. It's up to you to decide how you would like to answer each question. Some questions allow for a free text response rather than having to use predefined categories. Do it in the way that you feel best represents you.

Could information I share affect my benefits or immigration status?

No. The information you share in the census cannot be used to influence benefit claims, a residency application, immigration status or your taxes. Officials dealing with payments or services you receive cannot see your census information.

What if I cannot fill in my census questionnaire online?

The ONS can help with a wide range of support services to make it as easy as possible for you, whatever your needs. Services include:

- guidance and support in many languages and formats
- help over the phone, in a web chat or on social media
- a paper version of the questionnaire, if you prefer
- accessible census guidance, for example in braille

In addition, there will be a Swindon based Census Support Centre to provide help with online completion. The contact details for this will be available very shortly.

Where can I get this information?

Everyone will receive a postcard followed by a letter with their digital access code which will contain both the website address and phone number for census support.

What other local support is available?

If you run a local community group or organisation and would like more information for your website or newsletter or if you are holding any online events or meetings and would like to receive a presentation or the opportunity to ask questions, you can also contact the ONS Census Engagement Manager for Cornwall, Heidi Clemo, at heidi.clemo98@field.census.gov.uk or on 07452 948322.

Why is the census asking me about my gender and sexual orientation?

This census asks voluntary questions about sexual orientation and gender identity for the first time. This is to give us more accurate information on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender populations. This will help organisations combat any inequalities these groups face and show where services are needed. The census will only ask people aged 16 years and over these questions. If you do not feel comfortable identifying on the same form as the rest of your household, you can request an individual census questionnaire and answer separately.

Can I help friends and family fill in the census?

Yes. If a friend or family member needs support, help them if you can. Always fill in your own census first. You can also ask for help for yourself, or for someone else.

Is it safe for the census to go ahead at present?

Yes. The ONS has planned and built a flexible operation which can adapt to the changing circumstances of the pandemic. It will continue to review and adapt these plans to ensure census staff and the public can be kept safe and everyone can be safely counted. It is important to note that the ONS hopes that about 75% of the population will complete the census online without the need for any additional support.

Census 2021 will also be crucial to our understanding of how the people of England and Wales have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and it will give us detailed information on the health, social and economic impacts on all of us. It is essential we understand the needs of different groups and communities and the challenges people are facing in order to inform future decisions and policy making.

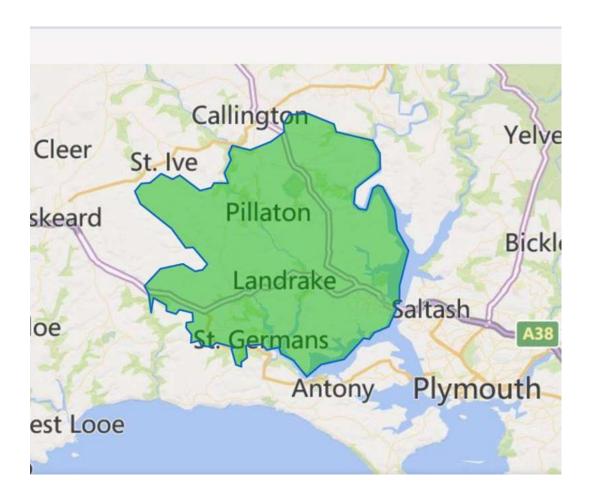
Where can I get more information?

- Your local Census Engagement Manager, Heidi Clemo can provide you with talks, presentations, posters, leaflets in many languages and social media content. Contact Heidi via heidi.clemo98@field.census.gov.uk or call 07452 948322.
- Downloadable resources are available at www.census.gov.uk/downloadable-resources
- There are still jobs available at the Census <u>www.censusjobs.co.uk</u>

Good Afternoon Lisa,

A question was raised by Sam Tamblin regarding where the new NBM would cover in respect of Saltash.

Attached are maps of the Saltash and Torpoint policing districts which may be of use to the attendees.





Rupert

Saltash and Torpoint

Offence	Recorded Crime 01/09/2020 to 31/01/2021	Recorded Crime 01/09/2019 to 31/01/2020	Recorded Crime % Difference
Violence with Injury	82	93	-11.8%
Violence without Injury	180	188	-4.3%
Rape	17	14	21.4%
Other Sexual Offences	10	21	-52.4%
Robbery	2	2	0.0%
Burglary Dwelling	9	15	-40.0%
Burglary Non-Dwelling	11	24	-54.2%
Vehicle Offences	17	12	41.7%
Shoplifting	21	27	-22.2%
Other Theft	55	62	-11.3%
Criminal Damage	90	107	-15.9%
Public Order Offences	52	43	20.9%
Possession of Weapons	6	4	50.0%
Trafficking of Drugs	6	4	50.0%
Possession of Drugs	19	21	-9.5%
Other Offences	18	6	200.0%
Total	595	643	-7.5%

Incident Closing Category	Incidents - 01/09/2020 to 31/01/2021	Incidents - 01/09/2019 to 31/01/2020	Incidents % Difference
Anti Social Behaviour	238	189	25.9%
Crime Not Recorded	18	12	50.0%
Crime Recorded	241	246	-2.0%
Public Safety	743	736	1.0%
Transport	365	423	-13.7%
Total	1605	1606	-0.1%