



Notes

Meeting:	Cornwall Gateway Community Network Panel <i>Virtual MS Teams Meeting</i>
Date and Time:	Wednesday 9 December 2020 at 6.00pm

Present:	Title/Representing:
Derek Holley CC	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash East (CNP Chairman)
Cllr Martin Worth	Chair, Landulph Parish Council (CNP Vice-Chairman)
Jesse Foot CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Germans and Landulph
Hilary Frank CC	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash South
Sheila Lennox-Boyd CC	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash North
Sam Tamlin CC	Cornwall Councillor - Saltash West
Gary Davis CC	Cornwall Councillor - Torpoint East
Cllr Pete Samuels	Mayor of Saltash, Saltash Town Council
Cllr Sarah Martin	Saltash Town Council
Cllr John Tivnan BEM	Torpoint Town Council
Cllr Peter Bulmer	Antony Parish Council
Cllr Graeme Francis	Vice-Chair, Landrake with St Erney Parish Council
Cllr Mervyn Gingell	Chair, Landrake with St Erney Parish Council
Cllr Dave Edwards	Chair, Botus Fleming Parish Council
Cllr Nigel Witton	Vice-Chair, St Germans Parish Council
Cllr Roy Hoskin	Vice-Chair, St John Parish Council
Cllr Nicky Roberts	Chair, Millbrook Parish Council
Cllr Diana Lester	Sheviocck Parish Council
Inspector Rupert Engley	Devon and Cornwall Police (min no 2)
Glenn Bullock	Driving for Better Business, Highways England (min no 3)
Dave Monk	Stop Loan Sharks (min no 4)
Paul Allen	Highways and Environment Manager, CORMAC (min no 5)
William Glassup	Highways and Environment Steward, CORMAC (min no 5)
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
Apologies for early departure:	
Hilary Frank CC	Cornwall Councillor – Saltash South

Item	Key/Action Points	Action by:
1.	Welcome and Introductions The Chairman, Cornwall Councillor Derek Holley welcomed all present.	

<p>2.</p>	<p>Devon and Cornwall Police Update – Inspector Rupert Engley</p> <p>Inspector Engley summarised the latest crime figures for the sector (which includes Liskeard, Saltash, Looe and Torpoint). Please see attached report. There was an overall 12% increase in recorded crime compared to the same 3-month period (Sept-Nov) last year. This is partly attributed to the changes in how violence without injury and harassment crimes are recorded. However, it was emphasised that crime levels still remain relatively low.</p> <p>Following the recent two armed robberies in Saltash, Inspector Engley updated that the court case has taken place and both offenders were sentenced accordingly.</p> <p>Positive staffing news with a further 4 officers being recruited to the sector. PCSOs Mary Wells and Debbie Smith are due to retire on Christmas Eve. Duties will be covered by existing resources across the sector.</p> <p><u>Questions and Answers</u></p> <p>Q. The PCSOs for Saltash will not be replaced?</p> <p>A. No as this is in line with the required reduction in PCSOs. However, should the number fall below the required allocation for the sector, then recruitment can take place. Saltash will be a priority as it has no PCSOs based in the town.</p> <p>Q. There were concerns at the potential impact of large numbers from Tier 2 areas ‘crossing the border’ to visit pubs in SE Cornwall. Has this been an issue?</p> <p>A. No, there have been extra patrols and marshals on the Torpoint Ferry but no issues to report.</p> <p>Q. Is there any information we can disseminate regarding the recent robberies in Saltash to try and reassure businesses, residents and the public?</p> <p>A. Following the court case, a 15-year old and a 17-year old were both sentenced and received referral orders with severe restrictions which will be monitored.</p>	
<p>3.</p>	<p>South West Peninsula Road Safety Partnership - Update from Glenn Bullock, Programme Development Manager, Driving for Better Business, Highways England</p> <p>Glenn updated on the activities of the Peninsula Partnership, now known as Vision Zero South West. The following points were noted;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Vision Zero road safety strategy aims to deliver dramatic reductions in fatalities and injuries on the region’s roads. • £150k funding secured for planned activities for this financial year and next. • A Communications Manager has been employed. • As part of the Driving for Better Business programme to reduce work related road risks, 170 dashcams will be given to businesses that operate on the A38 between Saltash and Bodmin. Footage will be uploaded to Operation Snap. <p><u>Questions and Answers</u></p> <p>Q. Is the £150k additional funding?</p> <p>A. Yes the engineering works are being separately funded. This additional funding will cover the planned activities including the dashcams and a number of targeted webinars for businesses.</p>	

	<p>Q. Are the dashcams front or front and rear facing? How will footage be tracked and reviewed?</p> <p>A. They are front facing. Footage will be reviewed as part of Operation Snap and will highlight offences and also identify any trends on how and where incidents are occurring.</p> <p>Q. Will there be associated signage to make people aware?</p> <p>A. Yes we are working with Safe38 to design graphics and to identify suitable locations for banners etc.</p>	
4.	<p>Stop Loan Sharks - Dave Monk, Illegal Money Lending Team LIAISE Officer for Devon and Cornwall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Illegal Money Lending Team (IMLT) was set up in 2004 and is a government funded law enforcement team covering the whole of England. • The team investigates and prosecutes illegal money lenders and supports victims as well as raising public awareness. • 310,000 households in England are in debt to illegal money lenders. This is expected to significantly increase following the impact of Covid-19. • In 2018, Devon and Cornwall had the 2nd highest number of loan sharks but no conviction has ever been secured in Cornwall. Active investigations are still ongoing in the county. • Stop Loan Sharks has a Community Fund made up of money seized from convicted loan sharks. Any organisations can apply for funding of up to £5k for a project provided it can help raise awareness of Loan Sharks. • The team has a wide range of resources to help get messages out to communities including posters, flyers, newsletter articles, webinars etc. The Team are also happy to give talks to local groups to help highlight issues. Please contact CT if you would like further information or visit their website; Home - Stop Loan Sharks <p><u>Questions and Answers</u></p> <p>Q. Why has there not been any convictions in Cornwall?</p> <p>A. It could be attributed to fear factor and reluctance to report issues.</p> <p>Q. Does your remit also include businesses?</p> <p>A. No, this would be the remit of Action Fraud or the National Conduct Authority to investigate.</p> <p>Dave was thanked for his helpful and informative presentation.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Public Participation</u></p> <p>There were no members of the public present.</p>	
6.	<p>Community Network Highways Scheme Update - Catherine Thomson, Community Link Officer and Paul Allen, Highways Manager, CORMAC</p> <p>A spreadsheet was circulated outlining the 17 applications received for Year 4 schemes and the assessment of those by the Highways Manager. The estimated total of these schemes amounts to £199k which is over the remaining budget of £87k (which is based on the year 4 allocation of £50k plus underspend).</p>	

<p>Based on the approach used for the previous three years of highways schemes, a scoring mechanism was used to assess each scheme according to safety and deliverability. Schemes were divided into red, amber and green projects. As a proposed way forward, the panel were asked to consider approving the green projects amounting to £66k and to then decide on a) an amber project or b) the MSAS for the remaining funding.</p> <p>It was clarified that the MSAS was based on 11 moves a year for a 4-year period so would benefit each Town and Parish. Preferred priority locations had also been identified by each Town and Parish Council.</p> <p>Cllr Worth made representations for the Landulph schemes to be included in the green projects. However, whilst the merits of the schemes were acknowledged, the assessment took account of the potential land negotiations that would be required.</p> <p>Cllr Witton clarified that the St Germans scheme was for a feasibility study and not for measures to be installed. As this would reduce the estimated cost from £20k to £5k, the panel agreed to move the scheme into the green projects.</p> <p>Cllr Roberts explained that due to the extensive consultation required, the parish council would be willing to hold the Hounster Hill scheme until next year.</p> <p>Cllr Bulmer queried the proposed parking restrictions for Military Road. PA clarified it would likely consist of double yellow lines for no parking all year round or seasonal timed restrictions. Cllr Bulmer responded that a solution was needed to prevent parking on verges. Cllr Bulmer and PA to further discuss.</p> <p>Upon voting, the panel agreed that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The schemes outlined in green on the circulated spreadsheet, including the St Germans Feasibility Study, be approved and; b) The remaining funds are allocated to the MSAS on the basis that it scores highly in terms of safety and deliverability and will be of benefit to all Towns and Parishes across the network area. <p>There were 14 votes in favour and 1 against.</p> <p>It was noted that should there be any underspend from the 'green' projects this would be considered for the amber projects. The panel also asked whether any underspend from other CNP areas could be utilised, however, this was felt unlikely as other areas were also fully committed.</p> <p>It was noted that the amber projects would remain on a reserve list. The merits of the highways scheme were acknowledged. The panel agreed to write to the Portfolio Holder for Transport expressing its support for the continuation of the scheme. Town and Parish Councils to write separately should they wish to do so.</p> <p>The panel were introduced to Will Glassup who will be taking over from Paul when he retires in March. Will is currently the Highways Steward for the area. Will was congratulated on his appointment and thanks were extended to Paul for all his help and support to the network and the Town and Parish Councils and his pragmatic approach to dealing with issues.</p>	<p>PB/PA</p> <p>CT/PA</p> <p>CT ALL</p>
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7.	<p>Town and Parish Councils – update from each representative on their issues/activity</p> <p><u>Antony</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council now meeting in the village hall adhering to government advice. • Work continues on play area improvements, which is now open. <p><u>Botus Fleming</u> (representatives had to leave the meeting for a Parish Council meeting).</p> <p><u>Landrake</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council still meeting via Zoom. • Village Hall remains closed until the new year. • Speedwatch group established by residents working closely with the police. <p><u>Landulph</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council still meeting via Zoom which is proving popular and attendance has increased. • Climate Change Statement Review undertaken and a new Working Group has been formed. • 65 community volunteers still assisting parishioners with Covid support. • Ongoing road safety concerns. <p><u>Millbrook</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Parish Clerk is in post. • Parish Council still meeting via Zoom which is proving popular and attendance has increased. • Issues with anti-social behaviour. The parish council are trying to encourage reporting. • Issues with people living in caravans parked on the roadside. Worked with police and Cornwall Council and hopefully now resolved. <p><u>Saltash</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Council still meeting via Zoom which is working well. • Precept has been set with a reduction in 8.4%. • Successful Winter Window Wanderland organised by the Chamber of Commerce. • A decision is still awaited on the future of the Post Office following the announcement that McColls are to close 300 stores across the country. <p><u>Sheviock</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council still meeting via Zoom. • Considering installing gym equipment in the parish open space. • Footpaths - waiting sign-off date to open new coastal path linking Crafhole to Portwrinkle. Awaiting works to commence on footpath 1 Georges Lane which stills remains closed following safety concerns. <p><u>St Germans</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lease renewal with Port Eliot for the play area at Tideford – ongoing. • Bethany Chapel – thanks to CT for help in registering as an asset of community value and providing examples of other schemes. Residents survey to be carried out in January. Asbestos survey to be undertaken on the building.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community larder reopened during the second lockdown. <p><u>St John</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parish Council now meeting in the village hall adhering to government advice. Cluster Service Level Agreement (SLA) for parking enforcement – CC making changes to the SLA. Charge of £750 being introduced. Parish has decided to withdraw as only income is the parish precept. Overhanging branches from private property into the road – CT to email Cllr Bulmer with CC contact details. <p><u>Torpoint</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Town Council still meeting via Zoom. Contracts for devolution of parks and tennis courts to be signed on 11th January. 	CT
8.	<p>South East Cornwall Economic Development Sub-Group Update - Gary Davis CC / Councillor Martin Worth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Productive meeting held with Mark Duddridge, Chair of the CIOS LEP. Insightful discussion on agriculture and shortage of local labour. Potential for an “Employ Local, Sell Local” campaign; also potential to explore opportunities under the World Heritage Site Status and mining in the Tamar Valley. Tolls on the Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry and adverse economic impact on SE Cornwall – LW to follow up support for an economic impact assessment with Glenn Caplin-Grey. 	LW
9.	<p>Community Network Panel Priorities</p> <p>Water Transport Working Group Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>A38 Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed under min no 2. Safe38 now has a regular column in the Cornish Times. Working with Highways England and partners on Vision Zero South West. SM to find out when the latest Highways England survey results are expected. 	SM
10.	<p>Notes of the last meeting (09.09.20)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed as a correct record. 	
11.	<p>Urgent Items</p> <p><u>Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update provided by Sam Tamlin, Cornwall Councillor and Joint Chair of Tamar Crossings. Funding of £1.6million received from Government’s Lost Fees and Charging Schemes towards the first 4months of the pandemic. Hopeful of further funding. This has prevented any immediate increase but future still uncertain. Bridge Resurfacing delayed until Spring 2021. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting of the Committee to be held on 18 December. 													
12.	<p>Next meeting dates</p> <p>The proposed dates for 2021 were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 10 February – MS Teams • Wednesday 16 June • Wednesday 8 September • Wednesday 8 December <p><u>The meeting closed at 8.21pm</u></p>	ALL												
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