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Meeting Title: Bodmin Community Network Meeting

Date: Wednesday 20 January 2021

Time: 9.30am-11am

Location: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Chaired by: Cllr Jane Dent

Present	Title/ Representing
Cllr Chris Batters	Cornwall Councillor (Lanivet and Blisland) (CB)
Cllr Pat Rogerson CC	Cornwall Councillor (Bodmin St Leonard) (PR)
Cllr Jeremy Cooper	Bodmin Town Council (JC)
Cllr Jane Dent	Lanivet Parish Council (JD)
Cllr Janet Shearer	Withiel Parish Council (JS)
Cornwall Council Officers & Speakers	
Elisabeth Allcorn	Cornwall Council, Communities Support Assistant (EA)
Nigel Blackler	Cornwall Council - Service Director - Transport and Infrastructure (NB)
Cllr Geoff Brown CC	Portfolio holder for Transport (GB)
Inspector Regie Butler-Card	Devon and Cornwall Police (RB-C)
Joe Bischler	Cornwall Council, (JB)
James Peck	Cornwall Council, Business Development Manager (JP)
Sarah Sims	Cornwall Council, Community Link Officer (SS)
Rachael Tatlow	Cornwall Council, Highway & Environment Manager (RT)
Apologies for absence: Cllr Danny Batten, Cllr Leigh Frost CC, Cllr Jacque Gammon CC, Sarah Knight,	

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Item	Key/ Action Points	Action by
1	Welcome, introductions and apologies JD welcomed everyone to the meeting	
2	Notes of last meeting (4 November 2020) To agree the notes as a correct record.	Agreed by all.
3	Police Update Inspector Regie Butler-Card - Please see attached report. Youth violence and carrying of weapons – priority for RB-C.	

	JC invited a representative from RB-C team to attend Community Service Committee meeting on 4 th February to talk about approaches to encourage responsible use of the skate park.	
4	<p>Community Emergency Plans Joe Bischler, Resilience & Emergency Management Officer Resilience & Emergency Management Team</p> <p>JB presented an example of a community emergency plan (CEP) and highlighted key sections. CEPs help to encourage community resilience. JB to forward redacted version of Looe CEP along with guidance about putting together a CEP, i.e. what makes a good plan and what to avoid.</p> <p>There was a discussion about likely local hazards and what a CEP would need to consider in the event of a land slip or train or road incident.</p>	JB
5	<p>Installation of Rapid Electric Vehicle Chargers James Peck, Business Development Manager, Communities and Public Protection</p> <p>JP gave a presentation about the installation of a rapid electric vehicle charger in Berrycoombe Road, Bodmin. The plan is that the charger will be installed by late Spring.</p> <p>JC asked whether the charging point can be procured from a local Cornish business. JP confirmed this was not possible, however SSE (who are supplying the charging point) will be using local Cornish businesses to fulfil the order.</p> <p>JC mentioned that there is no taxi rank on Berrycoombe Road car park and queried if the charging unit could be installed in Priory Car Park where taxis can park if there is no room on the roads. JP to take this request back to colleagues.</p> <p>Early scoping conducted with SSE considered; connecting to the grid, accessibility to the town centre. Priory Road car park may increase footfall for charger.</p> <p>SS updated the panel that an announcement was expected any day about a bid for a community infrastructure scheme which will allow the development of an ebikes scheme in Bodmin. As a network we are committed to the climate change agenda. Update following meeting – into Bodmin successful with its CIL bid for £62,500 to provide 18 electric bikes within the town</p>	JP
6.	<p>Highways Scheme Update Rachel Tatlow, Highways Manager</p> <p>SS Bodmin CNA has 30 schemes on our scheme of works, 11 have already been delivered. We had a budget of £200,000 with an additional £6000 of contingency money. All funds are now committed with £61 contingency remaining.</p> <p>CB raised the issue that in cold weather drivers within some of the rural parishes cannot get out of their villages due to black ice. CB requested more grit/grit bins in these parishes? Parishes are willing to pay so that the gritter route is extended to cover their roads.</p>	

	<p>RT advised that the salting network has been developed to cover the most heavily used, key strategic points and major transport routes. Each route can take up to 3 hours to complete and this sometimes requires returning to the depot to top up the grit. Members of public can report through the emergency line. Via the use of grit bins in the area reactive road treatment can be carried out. RT can provide a list with the cost of grit bins.</p> <p>JC Bodmin has grit bins which are advantageous due to topography of the town. Residents have complained to the Town Council that grit bins have not been replenished. Can the bins be supplemented and who do we talk to about getting these bins refilled?</p> <p>RT can talk to Bodmin Town Council (BTC) about new salt bins to agree locations and can provide BTC with the costs for these. RT explained that CC fill the grit bins once per year and then any replenishment lies with the local Council.</p> <p>JS Withiel parish council has discussed salt bins regularly. Sticking point was that members of the public were not insured to scatter the grit, if accident took place they were then liable as they had spread the grit.</p> <p>RT there is training available so local communities can carry this out safely. RT to send through details of the training.</p> <p>PR thanked RT and the transport team for the work that has been done to make sure the Bodmin no loading TRO can still go ahead.</p> <p>JS reported Withiel layby – agreement from local landowner to proceed with original proposal is now in place. Construction should begin in April.</p>	<p>RT</p> <p>RT</p>
7.	<p>Update from Cabinet Member and CLT representative Cllr Geoff Brown, Portfolio holder for Transport and Nigel Blackler, Service Director, Transport and Infrastructure</p> <p>NB latest figures as of yesterday - Covid R number in the South West is now higher and growing faster than anywhere else in the country other than the North West. Looking to the future CC are developing a devolution package for Bodmin and several other Cornish towns have done this. We are working on a package that works for the local Council and Cornwall Council and allows services to be delivered more efficiently. NB wanted to highlight that this is a good opportunity for Bodmin and is fully supported by NB.</p> <p>GB gave an update on priority groups to receive the Covid vaccine and added there is no need to contact your GP they will contact you.</p> <p>The question of how far people can travel for exercise has been taken up with Devon and Cornwall Police, they have confirmed exercise should be kept local.</p> <p>Elections in May – government maintains they will go ahead.</p> <p>Sunday evening Virgin Orbit launched their first satellite into space, looking to begin launching satellites from Newquay airport in 2023.</p>	

	<p>Trains are suffering at the moment, half hourly service is now reduced to hourly. Continuing to operate school buses so key worker children can get into school.</p> <p>JC BTC plans will affect surrounding parishes. Any input from parishes would be most welcome, agendas are on website if you would like to come along.</p>	
8.	<p>Town & Parish Council update</p> <p>Bodmin Town Council (BTC) - JC – Making space for nature is an active project that is ongoing where CC are working with BTC to enhance several areas of greenspace within the town. The skate park has been a great success and BTC want to create a project with an outreach worker to engage skate park users.</p> <p>Town centre revitalisation bid – in conversation with Cornwall Council about urban extensions; how to create connectivity with expanding town and surrounding parishes. Investigating possible introduction of sports facilities on outskirts of town. Efficiency review by BTC means precept for this year has been reduced.</p> <p>Withiel Parish Council - JS – nothing to report. Concerns about planning enforcement have been discussed with CB and this is likely to be a continuing issue for Withiel parish.</p> <p>Lanivet Parish Council - JD – community centre is closed but team of volunteers are continuing to take residents to medical appointments.</p>	
9.	<p>Divisional members update</p> <p>PR - Statistics are showing that we have more children in school than we did during the last lockdown. Children’s mental health concerns – due to Covid the waiting list for young people needing help was very long however ewaiting times have now reduced significantly.</p> <p>Government has introduced the Covid winter grant scheme. 20% can be spent wherever it is needed but 80% of it has to go to families with children. Directorate has done well to come up with criteria to make sure the money is targeted where it is needed, taking local knowledge from food banks, schools and community groups to facilitate this. Free School Meals voucher scheme can be very complicated and the flexibility from government is welcomed. There was a discussion about lockdown infringements and how immediate reporting can ensure a prompt police response.</p> <p>JC reported a Covid infection at a care home where agency staff were not tested. SS to escalate to the response cell.</p>	SS
10.	Any Other Business	
11.	<p>Date and topic for next meeting / Close</p> <p>Date: Wednesday 17th March 2021 17.00pm-18.30pm</p> <p>Venue: Virtual meeting via Microsoft ‘Teams’</p> <p>Theme: To be agreed</p>	
<p>Membership of Panel:</p> <p>Cornwall Councillors for Bodmin Community Network Area: Chris Batters CC (Lanivet and Blisland)</p>		

Leigh Frost CC (Bodmin St Petroc)
 Jacquie Gammon CC (Bodmin St Mary's)
 Pat Rogerson CC (Bodmin St Leonard)

Representative of Parish & Town Councils within the Community Network Area:

Blisland Parish Council
 Bodmin Town Council
 Cardinham Parish Council
 Helland Parish Meeting
 Lanydrock Parish Council
 Lanivet Parish Council
 Withiel Parish Council

Each Parish & Town Council is asked to nominate one named representative at the meeting or in advance (more than one representative may attend from each council).

Cabinet Member: Cllr Geoff Brown, Portfolio holder for Transport.

CLT rep: Nigel Blackler, Service Director, Transport and Infrastructure.

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