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Meeting:	China Clay Community Network Panel Meeting
Date & Time:	Monday 11 April 2022 at 7.00pm
Location:	Virtual Meeting via MS Teams

Present	Title/Representing
Cornwall Councillors:	
Dick Cole CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Dennis & St Enoder (CNP Panel Chair)
Matt Luke CC	Cornwall Councillor - Penwithick & Boscoppa
Parish Councils:	
Cllr Julia Clarke	Chair, St Dennis Parish Council
Cllr Sharron Kesley	St Dennis Parish Council
Cllr Mike Berryman	St Stephen-In-Brannel Parish Council
David Stevens	Clerk, Treverbyn Parish Council
Organisations/Officers:	
Steve Gudge	Project Manager, A30 Link Road, Cornwall Council (min no 2)
Inspector Ian Jolliff	Sector Inspector, Devon & Cornwall Police
PCSO Steve Tibbles	Devon & Cornwall Police
Gary Staddon	Real Estate & Business Development Manager, Imerys
Peter Larwood	Mineral Planning & Development Surveyor, Imerys
Lucy Crane	ESG & Sustainability Manager, Cornish Lithium (min no 3)
Patrick Forward	Head of Project Development, Cornish Lithium (min no 3)
John Vine	Community Engagement, Cornish Lithium (min no 3)
Sophie Hosking	Strategic Director for Neighbourhoods / CLT Ambassador, Cornwall Council
Roger Gates	Community Link Officer, Cornwall Council
Lisa Grigg	Communities Support Assistant, Cornwall Council
Members of the public:	
2 members of the public joined the meeting.	

Apologies for absence:	
Peter Guest CC	Cornwall Councillor - Roche & Bugle
Rebecca Edmondson	Public Liaison Officer, Alun Griffiths Ltd

Item	Key/Action Points	Action by:
1.	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chairman of the Panel, Cornwall Councillor Dick Cole welcomed all present. A particular welcome was extended to Roger Gates as the new Community Link Officer for the China Clay area. Thanks were recorded to Tasha Davis for all her hard work in supporting the panel, and for her 33 years' service in local government. Good wishes were sent to Tasha for the future. ACTION: Letter of thanks to be sent to Tasha. 	RG/LG

2.	<p>A30 Link Road – Update from Steve Gudge, Project Manager, Cornwall Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding decision expected imminently from the Department for Transport. ACTION: Panel to be kept informed of developments. • An Open Day is planned to highlight the interesting finds from the archaeology surveys. ACTION: Further details to be advised in due course. • Steve Gudge will be leaving Cornwall Council on the 6th May after 44 years continuous service in local government. Thanks were recorded to Steve for all his work and for his commitment to the A30 Link Road project. Good wishes were extended to Steve for the future. Neil Sanland was confirmed as Steve’s replacement. 	SG BE
3.	<p>Cornish Lithium - Update on Trelavour Project – Lucy Crane, Patrick Forward and John Vine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please see attached update presentation. • Lucy updated that her role was now ESG (Environmental, Social & Governance) and Sustainability Manager and was pleased to introduce and welcome to the team Patrick Forward (Head of Project Development) and John Vine (Community Engagement). • The team are rapidly growing with 50 members of staff now in place and good advancement being made with projects. • The team would like to host a site visit for the panel. ACTION: Cllr Cole/Lisa to check possible dates in liaison with Lucy. Invite also extended to all parish councillors but numbers needed in advance as separate sessions may be necessary. • Cornish Lithium have donated funds to Cornwall Community Foundation. A fund is expected to be launched imminently for communities to apply for funding towards local projects. ACTION: Details to be circulated. • Cllr Cole highlighted that an expression of interest was submitted to the G7 Legacy Nature Fund to reopen the closed railway line at St Dennis to create a trail to the Goss Moor SSSI. Outcome of the bid is awaited. • The panel commended Cornish Lithium on their community engagement work and thanked the team for keeping the panel updated with progress. 	DC/LG LC
4.	<p>Community Networks Highways Scheme 2022/2025 – Update by Roger Gates, Community Link Officer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 expressions of interest were submitted for the Highways Scheme as tabled. • Noted that schemes for the Roche and Bugle Division were pending. ACTION: Roger to liaise with Cllr Guest. • The Clerk to Treverbyn Parish Council understood that parking issues at Rosevear Road, Bugle was being looked at but was not included on the list. ACTION: Roger to follow up with Cllr Guest. • Following a query, it was clarified that the Trethurgy waiting restrictions scheme, as approved in year 1, was currently at the design stage and that work was due to commence shortly in May. • The panel previously agreed that Cornwall Councillors will progress the schemes outside of the CNP, with the proviso that there is equity of expenditure across the divisions in the China Clay Area. 	RG RG

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACTION: The panel agreed, in principle, to take forward the 9 expressions of interest as tabled, and to explore options and costings with the Highways Manager. • The timescale pressures were noted with Design Briefs to be drafted and submitted to the Portfolio Holder for Transport by the end of April. 	RG
5.	<p>Review of Community Networks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Cornwall Council administration are undertaking a review of Community Networks and there is a possibility that the number of networks will be reduced. • As agreed at the last meeting, Cllr Cole, as CNP Chair, has made strong representations to Cllr Mould, Portfolio Holder for Neighbourhoods, for the China Clay Area to remain as a separate network. The panel felt the unique distinctiveness of the China Clay Area should be recognised, and the significant amount of work by the panel in developing the China Clay Area strategy and its efforts to secure greater financial and other support. • Sophie updated that Cllr Mould is due to meet imminently with Group Leaders to discuss proposals. A consultation process will follow and an update will be provided when further details are known. 	
6.	<p>Notes of the last panel meeting (7 February 202)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The notes of the last meeting were agreed and actions completed. <p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cornwall Metro – Tony Roche has recently left Cornwall Council. ACTION: Tony's replacement will be invited to the next meeting to provide an update. 	LG
7.	<p>Public Participation</p> <p><u>Highway issues, Trethurgy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Roberts raised safety concerns in Trethurgy with regard to speeding vehicles, no pavements or footpaths to provide a safe passage, and the lack of a suitable crossing to provide safe access to the play area, which is now being refurbished and is situated on the main road. • These issues are a shared concern by residents as highlighted in the recent survey, the results of which have been forwarded to Cllr Desmonde, Portfolio Holder for Transport. • Mr Roberts requested that, in light of the Highways Scheme being relaunched, he hoped it would receive priority consideration and a meeting arranged with the highways' representatives responsible for such decision making. • ACTION: Cllr Cole and Cllr Luke to meet with Mr Roberts to further discuss. Cllr Cole explained that the highways budget for the whole of the China Clay area was limited and that proposed schemes already exceeded the year 1 budget. However, it might be possible to explore other potential funding sources and projects such as the 20's Plenty scheme. 	DC/ ML
8.	<p>Cornwall Council Update - Sophie Hosking, Strategic Director for Neighbourhoods / CLT Ambassador, Cornwall Council</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New financial year – budget pressures remain challenging with the ongoing crisis in Ukraine, and the rising fuel and energy costs for homes and businesses. • Various hardship funds are available to help those in need of support. Please advise anyone to get in touch. Further details can be found at; ‘Support is available if you’re struggling with money’ - Cornwall Council • County Deal and the Levelling Up fund – opportunities for Cornwall to get more devolved powers and associated funding. Cornwall is one of 9 county areas invited by Government to negotiate a ‘historic’ County Deal. The Government wants more areas to have a directly elected Mayor, elected by residents. • The Shared Prosperity Fund is the Government’s domestic replacement for the European Structural and Investment Programme. Awaiting imminent announcement of funding decision. • CNP Review – the review is also looking at the possibility of devolving more powers to the CNPs in terms of budgets and what services/activities panels would like to have more of a say on. There will be a consultation process and details will be circulated. 	
9.	<p>China Clay Area Strategy – progress update – Councillor Dick Cole</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following productive meetings held with the Senior Management Teams, further discussions are continuing with Economic Development officers on the need for a Place Shaping Group to be established. • <u>ACTION:</u> Update to be provided at the next meeting. 	DC/ RG
10.	<p>Round Table / General Updates</p> <p><u>Electric Vehicle Charge Points</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Cole updated that Cornwall Council has secured funding to install 150 charge points for electric vehicles across Cornwall in Cornwall Council owned and operated car parks. The initial list shows there will be some points in all network areas – except the China Clay Area. Cllr Cole has contacted the team asking for consideration to be given to identifying sites in the China Clay area and has made possible suggestions. 	
11.	<p>General Updates</p> <p>Minorca Lane and wider gypsy and traveller issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roger is being briefed on issues and will be meeting with Cllr Guest, divisional Member and Jo, Community Support volunteer. • The pressing need remains for a review of Gypsy and Traveller policy, particularly with an increasing number of contentious planning applications in the China Clay area. Concerns have been reiterated with senior officers. <p>Neighbourhood Planning – updates from NP groups in the China Clay area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>St Dennis</u> – First questionnaire has been circulated to households and a positive number of responses are coming back. Thanks were extended to Cllr Cole for all his help and support with the ongoing process. • <u>St Stephen-In-Brannel</u> – Nearing final consultation stage. Main emerging issue is planning. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Treverbryn</u> – Nearing final consultation stage. The parish would welcome the review of the gypsy and traveller policy as there are a number of contentious planning issues in the parish. <p>Climate Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACTION: Link into any actions arising from last year’s Climate Festival for Mid Cornwall. <p>Anti-Social Behaviour</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing agenda item. No updates. 	RG												
12.	<p>Have Your Say</p> <p>Cornwall Council current consultations were highlighted;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National highways and transport satisfaction survey • NHS waiting times survey • Cornwall Governance Community Review • Historic Environment Strategy <p>For further information on current consultations and projects please visit; Let's Talk Cornwall</p>	ALL												
13.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no other business. 													
14.	<p>Meeting dates for 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 13 June (AGM) Possibly face-to-face – details & venue to be confirmed. • Monday 1 August • Monday 3 October • Monday 5 December <p><u>The meeting closed at 8.30pm.</u></p>	ALL												
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