



Notes

Meeting:	China Clay Community Network Panel
Date & Time:	Monday 9 December 2019 at 7.00pm
Location:	Café, Wheal Martyn

Present	Title/Representing
Sally-Anne Saunders CC	Cornwall Councillor - Bugle (Chair)
Dick Cole CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Enoder
Fred Greenslade CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Dennis & Nanpean
John Wood CC	Cornwall Councillor - Roche
Matt Luke CC	Cornwall Councillor - Penwithick & Boscoppa
Cllr Sharon Kelsey	St Dennis Parish Council
Cllr Paul Highland	Treverbyn Parish Council
David Stevens	Clerk, Treverbyn Parish Council
Cllr William John Sibley	Chair, St Stephen-In-Brannel Parish Council
Cllr David Simpson	St Stephen-In-Brannel Parish Council
Cllr Keith Truscott	St Stephen-In-Brannel Parish Council
Cllr Michael Berryman	St Stephen-In-Brannel Parish Council
Gary King	Devon and Cornwall Police/Community Speedwatch
Inspector Ed Gard	Devon and Cornwall Police
PCSO Steve Tibbles	Devon and Cornwall Police
Helen Toms	Anti-Social Behaviour Caseworker, Cornwall Council
Tasha Davis	Community Link Officer, Cornwall Council
Lisa Grigg	Communities Support Assistant, Cornwall Council
2 members of the public attended the meeting	
Apologies for absence:	
Mike McLening CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Stephen-In-Brannel
Cllr Julia Clarke	Chair, St Dennis Parish Council
Cllr Ann Roberts	Chair, Treverbyn Parish Council

Item	Key/Action Points	Action by:
1.	Welcome and Introductions The Chairman welcomed all present and invited everyone to introduce themselves.	
2.	Public Participation It was agreed that any questions relating to matters listed on the agenda would be raised following those discussions.	
3.	Community Speed Watch Gary King, St Austell Community Speedwatch (CSW) was introduced and briefly outlined how community speedwatch operates. Please see attached flyer.	

	<p>Volunteers are sought with the aim of expanding CSW so that additional teams can be established in the neighbouring network areas including China Clay and St Blazey, Fowey and Lostwithiel.</p> <p>Anyone interested in joining community speedwatch are asked to contact Gary at; Gary.KING@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk</p> <p><u>Questions and Answers</u></p> <p>Q. Are you able to carry out speed checks near to primary schools with a 20mph speed limit? A. Yes, we can operate in speed limits of 40mph and below, however, all sites have to be assessed first to ensure the safety of volunteers.</p> <p>Q. Can you carry out speedwatch checks in the area in which you live? A. Yes we know that Speedwatch is a deterrent so we want to encourage as many volunteers as possible so that we can operate in more areas.</p> <p>Q. How long does it take to train a team? A. It's only a one day training course but it can take time to gather a sufficient number of volunteers to form a team.</p> <p>It was queried whether the speed limit for Stenalees and also from Foxhole to Nanpean could be regulated to 30mph. There are sections where it varies from 30mph to 40mph and then back to 30mph which makes it problematic. TD to liaise with Highways.</p> <p>Gary reminded the panel to notify him if they are interested in joining a team or if they have any areas that could benefit from a visit. Thanks were extended to Gary for his update and his ongoing work with CSW.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Community Safety</p> <p>Inspector Ed Gard – Devon and Cornwall Police</p> <p>Inspector Gard was welcomed to the meeting and gave an update on policing in the sector area;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following the last meeting, a breakdown of the crime statistics specifically for the China Clay CNA has been requested and it is hoped this will be available by the end of the financial year. • There has been a 6.6% overall reduction in crime (with the exception of burglary dwelling) over the last 12 months with a 10% reduction in vehicle crime and a 12% reduction in shoplifting. • Domestic abuse reports have also increased - but acknowledge we want people to have the confidence to report issues. • Burglary dwelling has seen a 10% increase, this was largely due to a small number of prolific offenders. • County Lines remains a priority issue across the force. We have seen a significant increase in community intelligence which is vital and we need 	

communities to continue reporting anything suspicious.

Questions and Answers

Q. There has been an overall reduction in crime. What can this be attributed to or is it because people are struggling to get through on the 101 number?

A. It's a result of a combination of factors but largely due to the excellent proactive work of the teams to target prolific offenders. The frustrations around the 101 number are acknowledged but it's imperative that people report issues so its logged and investigated. It also helps us to secure the resources we need and to identify patterns of behaviour/crime trends etc. There are other methods people can use to report issues;

<https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/contact/contact-forms/101-non-emergency/>

Q. Since the reduction in PCSOs, a number of villages have seen an increase in petty vandalism. If this is not addressed, it will escalate into more serious crimes.

A. Extra resource has been secured for the St Austell Neighbourhood Team and two additional Neighbourhood Beat Managers will be joining the team in January. There's also the additional 20,000 officers but it is unlikely that these officers will be fully trained and on the streets until 2026. My priority is neighbourhood policing and I will continue to make representations for further investment but we have to balance it against other priorities including safeguarding, county lines, modern slavery etc.

Helen Toms, Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) Caseworker, Cornwall Council

Helen was introduced to the meeting and explained her role as ASB Caseworker. Examples of ASB include; verbal abuse, vandalism, noise nuisance, criminal damage, assault, underage drinking, threatening or intimidating behaviour etc.

Questions and Answers

Q. How does the process work?

A. In the first instance if repeated acts of ASB are reported then a warning will be issued to the perpetrator. If it continues, then a second and final warning is issued along with support to address the causes of the behaviour. If cases of ASB acts are still reported then the last stage is generally some form of legal action i.e. anti-social behaviour orders, demoted tenancy etc. This is very much the last resort when all other avenues of intervention have been exhausted.

Q. How can issues be reported?

A. Via the Police or direct to Cornwall Council for lower level issues. Please see attached leaflet.

Q. What evidence is required?

A. Reporting and recording ASB acts is extremely important. Keeping a diary or log of events is an effective way of evidencing. We need to have an accurate and detailed account of offences so that appropriate action can be taken, particularly if the matter goes to Court.

Q. Are you solely funded by Cornwall Council?

	<p>A. Yes the 5 ASB Caseworkers that work across the county are fully funded by Cornwall Council. The only exception is in Penzance where the Town Council, as a pilot initiative, are part funding the role to provide additional resource to address serious ASB issues in the town.</p> <p>Thanks were extended to Inspector Gard and Helen Toms for the helpful information provided.</p>	
5.	<p>Community Networks Highways Scheme – progress update TD has met with the Highways Manager and the agreed Year 1 schemes have been submitted and are progressing on schedule.</p> <p>TD to work with the Cornwall Councillors as to how to progress the deferred schemes.</p> <p>Councillor McLening was not present but had suggested the possibility of average speed cameras that could possibly be shared across the network. TD to seek clarification as to whether this referred to average speed cameras or mobile speed activation signs. TD to raise with Members at their next meeting.</p> <p>There is a need to distinguish between what can be funded from the CNA highways budget and what should be funded from the Transport Plan etc.</p> <p>It was queried whether the CERC fund could be utilised to help fund speed signs in the area? TD to raise with the St Dennis and Nanpean Community Trust.</p>	<p>TD</p> <p>TD</p> <p>TD</p> <p>TD</p>
6.	<p>China Clay 2030 Vision and Action Plan – progress update Guy Thomas, Communities Area Manager – Mid will continue to lead on this in David’s absence. It is hoped a revised draft will be circulated in February.</p>	GT
7.	<p>Notes of the last meeting (21 October) and matters arising The notes of the last meeting were agreed and all actions completed.</p>	
8.	<p>General updates</p> <p>Minora Lane and wider Gypsy and Traveller issues An update was provided from the recent Minorca Lane and Satellite Sites Working Group Meeting. The group felt there was a need for strategic co-ordination and direction and Councillor Saunders had raised this with Paul Masters. Councillors Cole and Saunders also undertook to follow up with officers the need for a review of gypsy and traveller policy, as previously discussed by the panel.</p> <p>Trethowel Playing Field Work is due to commence during the 1st week in January. The road will be closed for 6 weeks and advance notice signs have been put up in the area.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Planning – updates from NP groups in the China Clay Area <u>St Enoder</u> – Some revisions being made following the examination process.</p>	

	<p><u>St Stephen</u> – Plan being drafted on a subject by subject basis. Steady progress being made. Currently looking at the ‘housing’ topic.</p> <p>St Austell to A30 Link Road A thorough informative presentation was given by Steve Gudge, Project Director at the last meeting.</p> <p>Climate Change St Austell Town Council held a Summit in early November which explored the possibility of a wider group to share ideas, information and best practice etc. Councillor King together with the St Austell & Mevagissey Community Network are looking to develop a wider group for the 3 neighbouring network areas of China Clay, St Austell & Mevagissey and St Blazey, Fowey and Lostwithiel for those who are interested and welcomed feedback on this proposal. The panel were supportive of this and TD undertook to liaise with Councillor King regarding a suggested initial meeting date.</p> <p>Councillor King further advised that the Town Council are also working with Cornwall Energy Plus and Treverbyn Hall on a potential lottery bid that could lead to community led initiatives being rolled out countywide.</p> <p>Anti-Social Behaviour Discussed under min no 3.</p>	TD
9.	<p>Current Consultations The current consultations were noted;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback on Planning services • Guidance note on planning contributions and health care provision in relation to primary care premises • Mental Health and Wellbeing Social Support Review <p>The link for all surveys/consultations on ‘Have Your Say’ is; https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/have-your-say/</p>	
10.	<p>Urgent Items There was no urgent business.</p>	
11.	<p>Next meeting dates Monday 10 February - St Stephen-In-Brannel Division Monday 6 April - Roche Division Monday 8 June - St Dennis & Nanpean Division Monday 10 August - Penwithick & Boscoppa Division Monday 12 October - St Enoder Division Monday 7 December - Bugle Division</p> <p><u>The meeting closed at 8.53pm.</u></p>	ALL
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