



# Notes

<b>Meeting:</b>	St Austell & Mevagissey Community Network Panel & AGM <i>Virtual MS Teams Meeting</i>
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	Thursday 9 June 2022 at 6.00pm

<b>Present</b>	<b>Title/Representing</b>
Chair - Anne Double CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Austell Central & Gover
<b>Cornwall Councillors:</b>	
James Mustoe CC	Cornwall Councillor - Mevagissey & St Austell Bay
Richard Pears CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Austell Poltair & Mount Charles
<b>Town &amp; Parish Councils:</b>	
Cllr Ann Taylor	Carlyon Parish Council
Cllr Mike Roberts	Chair, Mevagissey Parish Council
Cllr Andrea Lanxon	Mayor, St Austell Town Council
Cllr Julie Fox	St Austell Town Council
David Pooley	Clerk, St Austell Town Council
Bill McCardle	Regeneration Officer, St Austell Town Council
<b>Members of the Public:</b>	
4 members of the public were present.	
<b>Cornwall Council Officers:</b>	
Caitlin Lord	Community Link Officer, Cornwall Council
Lisa Grigg	Communities Support Assistant, Cornwall Council

<b>Apologies for absence:</b>	
Michael Bunney CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Mewan & Grampound
Julian German CC	Cornwall Councillor - St Goran, Tregony & the Roseland
Cllr Garth Shephard	Mevagissey Parish Council
Cllr George Muskett	Pentewan Valley Parish Council
Cllr Mike Ward	Chair, Pentewan Valley Parish Council
Cllr Janet Lockyer	St Ewe Parish Council
Julie Larter	Clerk to Carlyon and St Austell Bay Parish Councils
Cllr John Kneller	Chair, St Mewan Parish Council
Inspector Ian Jolliff	St Austell Sector Inspector, Devon & Cornwall Police
Mark Read	Service Director, Customer & Business Operations, Cornwall Council / CLT CNP Representative

<b>Item</b>	<b>Key/Action Points</b>	<b>Action by:</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Caitlin Lord, Community Link Officer welcomed all present.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Election of Chair and Vice Chair</b> The Community Link Officer called for nominations for Chair.	

	<p><b>Cornwall Councillor Anne Double</b> was re-elected as Chair for the ensuing year. Proposed by Cornwall Councillor James Mustoe. Seconded by Cornwall Councillor Richard Pears.</p> <p><b>Councillor Mike Ward</b>, Pentewan Valley Parish Council, was re-elected as Vice-Chair for the ensuing year. Proposed by Cornwall Councillor James Mustoe. Seconded by Cornwall Councillor Richard Pears.</p> <p>Congratulations were extended to Councillors Double and Ward.</p>	
3.	<p><b>Terms of Reference</b></p> <p>A proposal was made to amend the Terms of Reference to allow for Parish or Town Councillors to become Chair.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Due to the number of apologies, the panel felt this should be deferred for discussion at the next meeting</p> <p>Following a query, the voting arrangements for the panel were clarified, as set out in the Terms of Reference:</p> <p><i>Each Panel meeting should strive to reach consensus. A formal vote should not normally be necessary, but may be requested by any representative. In the event of any vote being tied, the Chair shall hold the casting vote.</i></p> <p><i>Voting members are 1 vote per Town and Parish Council and Cornwall Councillor.</i></p>	CL
4.	<p><b>Schedule of meetings</b></p> <p>There was general consensus that future meetings should be a mix of face-to-face and virtual meetings.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Agreed the next meeting in September will be held face-to-face. The Pattern Hall, Charlestown was suggested as a possible venue. Lisa to ascertain availability and to check if they have facilities for hybrid meetings.</p>	LG
5.	<p><b>Panel Priorities</b></p> <p>The panel reviewed the current priorities. The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deprivation and links to high street vitality – support/encourage local pop-up businesses in the town centre. The Town Clerk highlighted that the St Austell Revitalisation Partnership are looking at regeneration and investment opportunities but will need the support of other sectors.</li> <li>• Attendance at Community Network Panels has reduced. Presentations need to be relevant, have commonality across the network and address the issues that most matter to parishes. The Chair reiterated that panel members can suggest presentations/agenda items if there are issues they wish to discuss.</li> </ul> <p>The panel agreed the following revisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Economic Investment in St Austell Bay</b> - Amend Mevagissey is not in St Austell Bay.</li> <li>• <b>Climate Change</b> – change wording to include wider issues not just greenhouses gases.</li> </ul>	

	<p>Add additional priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Joint working/service delivery</b> – improve joint working and local service delivery with the various tiers of local government.</li> <li>• <b>Planning</b> – ongoing concerns across parishes.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTION:</b> CL to amend and circulate revised priorities for comments. The Chair welcomed feedback to ensure the priorities reflect the issues felt most important to the panel.</p>	<b>CL</b>
6.	<p><b>Notes of the last meeting (24 March 2022)</b> Agreed as a correct record.</p> <p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p><u>A390 Higher Trehiddle Development to St Mewan School</u> <b>ACTION:</b> CL to follow up with Rachael Tatlow to see if any design work has previously been drafted for a potential crossing as part of the Higher Trehiddle development.</p> <p><u>Barclays Bank</u> Monday 14 June – Barclays Bank to open a ‘pod’ in White River Place, which will be the first of its kind in the country.</p>	<b>CL</b>
7.	<p><b>Public Participation</b></p> <p><u>Slades Road</u> Residents of Slades Road outlined a number of safety concerns regarding speeding vehicles and illegal parking, which have been ongoing for a number of years despite extensive representations being made to the police and local authority. The situation has been exacerbated over the years by an increase in traffic and development, with further fears pending the additional 1600 homes currently being built at the nearby Garden Village. Residents are disappointed at the lack of enforcement and feel their concerns have been ignored. A petition of over 800 signatures calling for action has now been collated which residents wish to present to Cornwall Council.</p> <p>The Chair on behalf of the panel thanked residents for their ongoing efforts and the work involved in collating the petition and assured them that their comments were being heard. <b>ACTION:</b> Agreed that Councillor Pears would collect the petition and deliver to Cornwall Council on behalf of the residents.</p> <p>An update from Sector Inspector Jolliff was also provided; “Following contact from local councillor Julie Fox, I am now sighted on the issues and understand that a 800 strong petition has been collated, demonstrating the sense of feeling towards the behaviour taking place. I have confirmed my commitment to undertake due diligence with regard to this and our Neighbourhood Team will conduct speed watch sessions along Slades Road to be conducted on differing days and times to attempt to verify the concerns. Should our data confirm with the concerns raised, we will seek to involve Highways, our Safety Camera Partnership Team and our Road Casualty Reduction Officer in any longer term</p>	<b>RP</b>

	<p>resolutions. Community Speed Watch is encouraged and the St Austell Neighbourhood Team will liaise with our Community Speed Watch single point of contact, Elaine Fell to determine any appetite for this.</p> <p>Re the parking issues being reported – to include the double yellow lines not being consistent along the road, this will need to be referred to the Cornwall Council Civil Enforcement department and my NHT will assist Julie Fox in doing so”.</p> <p>Councillor Richard Pears further advised that, following a meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> June with the Highways Officer, a speed visor has since been installed at the lower end of Slades Road. Some concerns were raised that the visor did not appear to be working at certain times. <b>ACTION:</b> Cllr Fox to email details to Cllr Pears to follow up.</p> <p>Discussions were also ongoing regarding the need to restart Community Speed Watch and that a core team of volunteers was needed. <b>ACTION:</b> Cllr Pears to liaise with residents.</p> <p>Clarification was sought on whether S106 funding from the Garden Village would be attributed towards alleviating the Slades Road issues and when this was likely be forthcoming? <b>ACTION:</b> CL to seek an update.</p> <p>An update was requested on the proposal to lower the road at Holmbush Railway Bridge to enable HGVs to use as a more suitable alternate route? It was advised that detailed feasibility work had been undertaken but funding remains an issue.</p> <p><u>Bus Services</u> A resident raised concerns regarding the recent changes to the bus timetable between St Austell and Truro which had a detrimental impact to passengers as buses were now running less frequently.</p>	<p><b>JF/RP</b></p> <p><b>RP</b></p> <p><b>CL</b></p>
<p><b>8.</b></p>	<p><b>Town Centre Revitalisation Partnership – Bill McCardle, St Austell Town Council</b> The Partnership was set up 2021. Bill was appointed as the Town Council’s Regeneration Officer in January until the 31<sup>st</sup> December to help develop a vision and plan to revitalise the town centre.</p> <p>The Partnership are focussing on 7 key outputs;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Masterplan Vision</li> <li>2. Accessible/Inclusive</li> <li>3. Events Engagement</li> <li>4. Education</li> <li>5. Activity / Leisure</li> <li>6. Property Repurpose</li> <li>7. Active Transport</li> </ol> <p>A key part of the current work plan is to engage with as many local people as possible, and from the surrounding area, to see what they would like changed, retained, and their vision for how the town centre could look in the future.</p>	

	<p>The feedback will help inform a Masterplan Vision to enable the Partnership to bid for funding when opportunities arise.</p> <p><b>ACTION:</b> Please feedback any ideas, suggestions or comments to Bill;  <a href="mailto:Bill.McCardle@staustell-tc.gov.uk">Bill.McCardle@staustell-tc.gov.uk</a></p>	<b>ALL</b>
9.	<p><b>Update from Cornwall Council</b></p> <p>An update from Mark Read, Service Director for Customer &amp; Business Operations/ Council's Leadership Team CNP Ambassador, was circulated with the agenda.</p> <p>The Chair highlighted how helpful the Cornwall Council's Casework Assist system was which was available for all Town and Parish Councils. The system is a single point of entry for any questions, casework queries etc.</p> <p>It was queried that direct dial telephone number for officers no longer appeared to be working. In response, it was explained that, due to the number of officers now home working, external calls could now be made via Teams technology and that further information would be circulated.</p>	
10.	<p><b>Feedback on local issues from Town &amp; Parish Councils</b></p> <p><u>Carlyon</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the past couple of months our focus has been organising a party to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The party on 2 June in Carlyon Bay attracted roughly 1000 people. There was 4 hours of live music, a bar, a mobile fish and chip van, various charity stalls and the evening was rounded off by Cllr James Mustoe lighting a beacon as part of The Queen's Platinum Jubilee chain of beacons. We have also planted a commemorative tree in Tregrehan Mills which is now part of The Queen's Green Canopy.</li> <li>• Like our neighbouring parish, we are frustrated at the closure of the South West Coast Path between Carlyon Bay and Carrickowel and hope that it can be re-opened shortly.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mevagissey</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanks to work carried out by Caitlin, Cllr Mustoe and members of Cornwall Council Cabinet we are now in a better position to negotiate with CC some form of devolution package, there is still some considerable work to be done but in a more positive way.</li> <li>• Our affordable housing group are continuing to pursue the formation of a Community Land Trust but finding suitable land with willing owners is proving extremely difficult. We were also very disappointed to find that Ocean Housing are selling on the open market some of the flats in Meadow/Wesley Court with the excuse they are too expensive to upgrade so selling would provide money to build elsewhere, effectively reducing the number of social housing in the village. In a very radical move the parish council has opened negotiations with Ocean with the possibility of acquiring the whole block of flats into some form of local management, it's a long shot and fraught with difficulties but it would enable local housing for local people something that arouses</li> </ul>	

	<p>considerable anger from residents when they see housing being taken by people who apparently have no connection with the village. It would also be an opportunity to keep the area, in the centre of the village and considered by many as an eyesore, in a much better condition than Ocean who in spite of meetings and promises do very little.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unfortunately, Phil Howson our clerk has now decided that it's time to retire and will be leaving us at the end of July, he will be sadly missed as he has given sterling service providing advice and direction to councillors with presentations and information on the numerous planning applications received. We are now seeking application for the post, anyone interested please apply to said clerk.</li> </ul> <p><u>St Austell Bay</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The parish council continues to be extremely frustrated at the closure of the South West Coast Path between Carrickowel Point and Carlyon Bay. Agreement for re-routing the path has been reached with all affected landowners and the only sticking point is an objection from The Ramblers and until they withdraw their objection, the path has to remain closed. Cornwall Council, Cormac and the South West Coast Path Association are in discussion with The Ramblers and we are hoping for a positive outcome.</li> <li>The parish council has been busy with Jubilee activities: A tree has been planted in each ward of the parish as part of the Queen's Green Canopy initiative and we are awaiting delivery of special Jubilee benches, again one for each ward. On 2 June we were delighted to take part in The Queen's Platinum Jubilee chain of beacons when we lit a beacon on the Quay at Charlestown and was followed by a spectacular professional firework display which was appreciated by an enormous crowd in the village. Six street parties were funded by our successful application to The Lottery.</li> </ul> <p><u>St Austell Town</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The recent Mayor Making event was very well attended with Cllr Andrea Lanxon elected as Mayor and Cllr Crystal Pearce as Deputy Mayor.</li> <li>Meeting with Cornwall Council to discuss Penwinnick Road options.</li> <li>Exploring potential for a Tree Nursery.</li> <li>ASB in town centre – police are producing a support plan to address issues.</li> <li>Town Council welcomes the positive news that funding is in place for the A30 Link Road.</li> <li>St Austell BID and CASA are arranging a Garden and Environment Festival on 3 September in the town centre. All welcome. <b>ACTION:</b> Please help to promote and publicise the event.</li> </ul>	<b>ALL</b>
<p><b>11.</b></p>	<p><b>Feedback from Cornwall Councillors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Congratulations extended to communities for their sterling efforts in organising the Jubilee events which were very well supported.</li> <li>Speed visors installed at Slades Road and Porthpean Road.</li> <li>Progress made on Bodmin Road issue. It is hoped the traffic lights will soon be removed.</li> </ul>	

12.	<b>Urgent Business</b> There were no urgent items.													
13.	<b>Next meeting dates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thursday 8 September 2022</li> <li>• Thursday 24 November 2022</li> <li>• Thursday 9 February 2023</li> <li>• Thursday 11 May 2023</li> </ul> <p>The meeting closed at 7.47pm.</p>	<b>ALL</b>												
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