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NEW DIGITAL SIGNS INSTALLED AT BUS STOPS IN TORPOINT

Work to improve public transport in Torpoint has now been completed, thanks to a grant from the government's Transforming Cities Fund. Cornwall Council joined forces with Plymouth City Council to support and develop a bid and secured funds of £290,855 to deliver transport infrastructure improvements along key bus corridors in the Plymouth travel to work area which includes South East Cornwall.

Works in the Torpoint area have recently been completed with further works in the Saltash, Liskeard and Rame Peninsula areas due to complete over the next few months. The funding includes the installation of digital real time passenger information (RTPI) signs, some new bus shelters and timetable cases at key bus stop locations.

Cabinet Member for Transport, Councillor Geoff Brown, said: "Improving sustainable transport connections in Cornwall and into Devon is so important for our residents. This funding is helping us to deliver on the Council's One Public Transport System for Cornwall (OPTSfC) Project which aims to provide an integrated and customer focused transport network under the Cornwall Devolution Deal.

"I'm delighted that the work has been completed in Torpoint. This is a major step towards creating a sustainable transport network, which will benefit the whole of Cornwall and our environment."

New digital signs have been installed at these locations in Torpoint:

- Torpoint Ferry bus stops
- Harvey Street bus stop
- Sainsbury's bus stop
- Trevol Road (Old Bus Depot) bus stops
- Trevol Road, Sycamore Drive bus stops
- Trevol Road, Hawthorne Avenue bus stops
- Trevol Road, HMS Raleigh bus stops

The Mayor of Torpoint, Councillor Chris Goodman, added: "Sustainable and reliable transport connections are vital for the community around Torpoint, as people look to Plymouth for work and education."

This work is part of a number of projects to improve transport in South East Cornwall, as another £316,200 has also been received to deliver walking and cycling improvements in Saltash to provide key connections to Plymouth, support economic and housing growth and manage increased travel demand.

The joint bid sees a total of £7.6 million for a number of sustainable transport initiatives in Plymouth. In Cornwall, a share of the funding will go to improve cycling, walking and public transport links between Cornwall and Plymouth.

In the photograph, you will see Torpoint Mayor Councillor Mrs. Chris Goodman, along with Councillor Mrs. Rose Southworth, James Church from Plymouth Citybus and other bus users (photo courtesy of Andy Campfield).

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