

CC Report for Town Council Meeting 17 June 2021

This report covers the period 27 May to 11 June to ensure the report can be seen by all town councillors with all other council papers prior to the above meeting.

Virtual meetings have continued as to both the structure and workings at County Hall with 2 visits to Truro, the first on 25th May being the Annual General Meeting of Cornwall Council and the second on 10 June for the first meeting of The Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee, a very informative and enlightening presentation.

More queries from residents have been received and these have been dealt with again via the CC's Case-work Assist App. Some issues have already been dealt with but others remain outstanding concerning overgrown pathways preventing wheelchair enabled persons from using the paths properly, sections of broken/missing fencing to The Lawns running parallel to the A374 opposite the Community College and Sports Centre . Additionally, there have been two cases of fly tipping reported and these have been successfully dealt with via the CC's "Report It" web page(s)

There remains some very concerning cases ongoing within Torpoint as regards Social Housing and I have requested a full break down of current stock within the Ward further broken down by number of bedrooms per holding. It would appear that although there are some 1 and 2 bed roomed houses available houses for larger families are in short supply. I have been informed that the average waiting period for a three bed roomed house is in excess of 2 years which has led to over-crowding in smaller units or families having to move away from the area. A further area of concern within the social housing stock is the lack of routine maintenance of same which has led to some quite lengthy phone conversations to try and resolve, i.e., debris from previous occupants still left cluttering up gardens 6 months later, doors missing from kitchen units, kitchen floors in poor state (floor tiles missing/cracked) and chipped/cracked bathroom furniture, all of which although reported upon no action taken over months.

As you are all aware there is some road re-surfacing work scheduled in over the next few weeks but it would appear that Torpoint has not been included at this time, only sections on Military Road and a section of road going into Antony from Tregantle. There was a complaint from cyclists about the road surface of the A374 between Torpoint and Antony, the reply of which I have forwarded to Milly to share with you all.