

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR UPDATE FOR AUGUST 2026



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Cornwall Council tends to have an informal recess period over August, so there isn't official meetings to report back from. That said, I was pleased to see the new Prime Minister include Cornwall in his UK summer tour, where he visited a farm near Truro and also discussed devolution with the Leader of the Council and the Truro & Falmouth MP, Jayne Kirkham. He has clearly set out that he will look at a Cornwall only deal, and the Leader and all 6 Cornish MPs will attend No10 North to discuss this further.

Neighbourhood Priority Statements: There is more information available on the Cornwall Council website about this, and I am arranging a meeting with a Parish Council further down in Cornwall who have done both an NDP and an NPS so we can gather a bit more information.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/neighbourhood-planning/neighbourhood-priorities-statements-pilot/>

Wildfire Risk

Thankfully it seems that the dry weather is now behind us, a statement I never thought I would write. I was grateful to Cormac for listening to my appeals and for cutting firebreaks in where wild grass meadows are closest to properties. The fire service were helpful when I met with them as well, and are considering how best to advise CC on fire breaks, especially if we are likely to have more summers like the ones we have just had.

Community Highways Scheme

I am pleased that the schemes that were put forward and had got to the next stage have now been approved for the CHIP scheme. This will be done in two tranches, and Catherine Thomson will be in touch with next steps for those parishes that have live schemes. St Germans, Millbrook and Maker with Rame all have schemes that are essentially ready to go, as well as the removal of the problematic speed bumps in Crafhole village. Hopefully we will start to see work happening very soon!

Other Highways Issues:

The works to repair the culvert at Nanny Parsons are scheduled for the end of September, the delay was due to concerns from the EA about eels and mussels being able to migrate, that has now been dealt with properly.

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Festivals

I was grateful to the Tunes in the Park organisers for agreeing to hold a public meeting before the Tunes festival this year to try and iron out concerns from residents regarding noise and safety concerns. They agreed to put in some extra measures, including signage, bins, extra toilets at the station, to keep the entrance near the station open 24/7 and extra security. There were still some issues, caused mainly by folk that perhaps enjoyed themselves a bit too much. I was also pleased to join a member of St Germans PC, the local Policing team and Carmen from Tunes to do a walkabout in the festival on the Friday afternoon so that me and the Parish Council could see first hand the steps they were taking to keep people as safe as is possible. Tunes have agreed to an earlier meeting next year, before the Wild Gardens event, so that the community can be reassured that all feedback garnered from this year has been listened to and, where appropriate, acted on.

LCWIP - Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plans

I have received the following update from the team who have been organising the LCWIP for this area, thanks to all those that contributed. Please do take a look at the final documents.

"I'm delighted to share that Cornwall Council have accepted our final Torpoint and Rame LCWIP and it has been uploaded onto their webpage: [Active travel: walking and cycling - Cornwall Council](#)

Please find through this link <https://share.sustrans.org.uk/share/public/?folder=226a5faf> a larger file version to print, a smaller file version to upload and two zip folders, one containing the shape files of the different routes and the other the broken down report sections on the Cornwall website.

The password is: Cornwall2026 - let us know if there is any issue with any of these.

Thank you very much for all the help and support you gave to myself and our team working on this project.

In terms of next steps, I've shared this report with Torpoint Town Council. Cornwall Council may now use this LCWIP to apply for further funding in the Torpoint and Rame area."