

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER 2026



cllr.kate.ewert@cornwall.gov.uk



07551 590118



@CllrKateEwert



Cornwall Council & Rame Cluster

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/>

We had our first full council since July in mid September, which was uneventful really. I was pleased to support a motion that attempts to make the housing waiting list clearer and more accessible for people that are waiting on it. It proposed a dashboard that people on the list could access which would show clearly where they sat on the list and how likely it was that they would get a home through this route.

Highways Issues:

The works to repair the culvert at Nanny Parsons are now underway, which is great news I think all would agree. Let's hope this work means the road stands up to the rain and doesn't get flooded yet again.

I know there were deep frustrations with the SWW road closure on Military Road, unfortunately it was necessary for replacing temporary pipes that had far outlived their lifespan. This doesn't take away from the frustrations however. Many people said there should have been a temporary set of traffic lights on Hounster Hill, but the Highways team have looked at this and say that this would cause even more chaos to the network than the system that was put in place. I am aware that many will think this isn't true and there is no way to prove this other than installing said lights and showing people. I would always encourage people to look at the feasibility study done on this section of road that was incredibly in-depth. You can find that [HERE](#).

If you see a drain that looks like it could benefit from clearing before the weather sets in, please report it on this [LINK](#)

Kingsand and Cawsand Sea Defences:

I was pleased to be able to arrange a walk along the shorefront in Kingsand and Cawsand with a technical sea defence officer from Cornwall Council, a colleague from the Environment Agency and the Chair and Clerk from MwR PC. It was incredibly helpful to get the right people together to discuss concerns, ownership and responsibilities.

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER 2026



cllr.kate.ewert@cornwall.gov.uk



07551 590118



@CllrKateEwert



Continued:

Cornwall Local Plan:

Councillors have received an update on the new local plan process from the Portfolio Holder responsible for this, Cllr Sarah Preece. I am copying that below for your information:

"You will be aware that work continues on a new Cornwall Local Plan. The plan will help shape where Cornwall grows, how communities develop, and what infrastructure, services and environment we need over the coming decades. It will replace our current plan and guide decisions about homes, jobs, transport, community facilities, climate action, nature recovery and much more for the next ten years and beyond.

Before developing options and policies, we are carrying out a scoping consultation to understand the issues, opportunities and priorities that matter most to Cornwall's communities.

This is the earliest stage of plan making and provides an opportunity for everyone with an interest in Cornwall to tell us:

- *What challenges Cornwall faces now and in the future*
- *What opportunities we should be making the most of*
- *What makes your area special and what could be better*
- *Where change is needed to create and support thriving communities*
- *What the new Local Plan should prioritise*

There will be a formal six-week consultation on the key issues and baseline evidence, between 5th October and 16th November. Details and documents can be found at: [Cornwall Local Plan 2050 - Cornwall Council](#)

There will be further chances next year to respond to more detailed proposals, but comments made now will help us to build a better plan."