

Cornwall Councillor report – Carlyon Parish – July 2022

I hope everyone is well and has had a chance to enjoy (or hide from) the glorious weather!

Footway enhancement works along Par Moor Road are now complete, and provide great improvements for pedestrians. The final section joining to Biscovey Road, has been left a little steeper than Cormac would have liked, as Japanese Knotweed was identified in the area. The design was adapted slightly to accommodate it, until appropriate measures can be taken.

The team have done their best to keep disruption to a minimum through the project, and thank everyone for their patience while the project was underway.

I attended a site meeting with the Chair, Clerk and Highways Manager at Cypress Avenue on 5 July.

Cormac have gotten the hotel to cut back their side of the along this road.

They are also shortly going to be replacing the bollards with new ones.

The Highways Manager has contacted the Asset Performance Officer at the Environment Agency, regarding the vegetation at the priority junction at Cypress Avenue.

The Officer is going to speak to their Estates Department to establish whether there are any historic agreements with this site and will be in touch again once he hears further.

I will be continuing to press for the EA to do works on the vegetation and fence at this junction in order to improve visibility and make the highway safer.

I attended another meeting of the St Austell Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan. There are lots of good ideas about joining up existing routes, improving signage and access and creating new ones. They will be sharing a consultation map highlighting the routes they are planning to do work on, in the next month, and will be making recommendations on a way forward in the Autumn.

Finally, I am absolutely delighted to report that the Ramblers have now withdrawn their objection on the change to the right of the way on the coastpath around Charlestown.

This will mean that the section from Carlyon Bay to Charlestown will reopen officially immediately, and the other section to the Battery by the end of the week.

For information the next section of the coastpath which has been closed for separate reasons around Duporth now has its works planned to start shortly. Site preparation works will commence on the 8th August for two weeks followed by works on the realignment commencing on the 22nd August. Cormac aim to have the entire route reopened and accessible by the end of October.

This is excellent news and I would like to thank Cormac for their continued hard work through what has been a long and strenuous process, as well as dealing with almost daily calls from me! Also thanks to the residents of Duporth Bay for your patience and understanding throughout.

I look forward to walking the whole of the route later this year!