Cornwall Councillor report – Carlyon Parish - May 2022

I hope you are all well as we move through May.

In a few updates from the past month.

Regarding the Tregrehan Mills flooding issues, the works package was signed off last weeks and Purchase Orders are being raised so that Cormac can arrange work date.

Officers have also visited the site now that the water level has dropped and have taken some photos and dimensions of the culvert inlet which was under the impounded water.

At their request the owners of the upper land have also been to site and removed debris which was stuck against the culvert inlet and would have impeded water when it rains more heavily again.

Regarding the Par Moor Road improvements, Cormac tell me that the project is progressing well and the additional works instructed opposite Cypress Avenue are now complete. Their extended finish date is 19th June and they currently have teams working both daytime and night-time, to accelerate the programme. Three-way traffic lights are in use at night time only, to avoid disrupting daytime traffic flow in the area.

This coming week they have over 68 tonnes of materials being delivered to resurface the widened footways on either side of the A3082 Par Moor Road. Following this, they'll be building new safety fencing around and over the leat. More footway works, east of Cyress Avenue to Biscovey Road, have also now been instructed, and they will programming these in to avoid the Jubilee week, and the summer embargo.

Related to the Par Moor improvements, last week I attended the first meeting around proposals for the St Austell Local Cycling & walking Infrastructure Plan.

Sustrans has been commissioned by Cornwall Council to deliver and produce a 'Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP)' for the St Austell area. The output from this project is to design a walking and cycling network for the area with recommendations for infrastructure improvements and a prioritised list of routes.

At the meeting I made the case for the improvements that have been made at Par Moor to be extended back towards St Austell and also further along to Par, it is very early days but it is good to see that they are having these conversations now.

I was delighted to see the progress made on the Carlyon Parish Neighbourhood Plan, please let me know if there is anything more I can do to help take it forward once the Parish Council is happy with the final version.

I was pleased to give the Tregrehan Mills Repair Café a donation from my Community Chest Fund to help with their ongoing rent costs at the Methodist Chapel. Up at County Hall meanwhile I have seconded and been working on a motion for the protection and consideration of disturbance to Coastal and Marine Wildlife in Cornwall

We will be asking that Cornwall Council pledges to raise awareness of protection and consideration of disturbance to Coastal and Marine wildlife in Cornwall.

- By writing to those water sports National Governing Bodies who do not include awareness of protection of coastal and marine wildlife in their Training Syllabus and Training Manuals and requesting they include good practice in consideration for disturbance to Coastal and Marine Wildlife.
- By engaging with local water sports providers, particularly those who rent equipment from beach venues to request they include consideration of coastal and wildlife disturbance in their briefs to holidaymakers.
- By engaging with local pleasure boat drivers to ensure awareness of potential disturbance to coastal and marine wildlife.
- By posting information on social media to raise awareness locally.

Looking into the possibility of providing posters on Council Harbours and beaches to educate sea and beach users in Cornwall to show consideration for disturbance to coastal and marine wildlife.

I look forward to seeing this motion start its journey through the council, as it will be one that will be really positive for our coastal environments and the ecosystems that exist there.