

Carlyon Parish Council

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Meeting held on Wednesday 4 June 2025 to address concerns around anti-social behaviour on Beach Road, Carlyon Bay

Present: Cllrs Paul Trudgian, Paul Riley, Mike Ford, Sonia Phillips (Carlyon Parish Council); Inspector Simon Andrews (Devon & Cornwall Police); Helen Toms (Community Safety Officer, Safer Cornwall); Cllr James Mustoe (Cornwall Council ward member for Mevagissey and St Austell Bay); 16 residents; Julie Larter (Clerk, Carlyon Parish Council)

The meeting was arranged at the request of residents who have been experiencing anti-social behaviour from people leaving Crinnis beach, particularly on Friday nights when live music takes place on the beach. Residents have experienced shouting, screaming, people urinating and defecating, litter, damage to gardens etc. This nuisance is caused by both men and women from mixed age ranges. The matter has been worse since the license for entertainment on the beach was extended from 10.00pm to 11.00pm.

Other nuisances not necessarily connected to the beach are speeding motorists and motorbikes doing a loop around the area every night between 9.30pm and 10.30pm. Instances of speeding and tailgating appear to have increased since the 20MPH speed limit was imposed.

Residents were concerned at the lack of Police presence.

Cllr Mustoe commented that the festival on the beach was well managed and there had been no issues. Helen Toms said that there had been planning meetings with CEG and Coast to Coast prior to the event.

CEG propose putting CCTV in the car park and on the beach and Coast to Coast have issued 3 banning letters to individuals prohibiting them from entering the beach. Coast to Coast are also undertaking bag checks, but currently these are only after 6pm. Residents report youths taking bags of alcohol onto the beach at all times of the day.

Inspector Andrews stressed that people must report every incident. Without an evidence base, it is hard to justify putting resources into the area. He reported that the Police have only had to deal with 3 incidents in the past 4 months. Currently there are 4 Neighbourhood Beat Officers, and 7 Police Community Support Officers for the sector which covers a large geographical area.

Additionally there is a team of 5 Patrol officers who deal with emergencies and are on duty 24/7.

Inspector Andrews said that the force has been given additional funding for summer policing and this will be directed to patrolling coastal areas on Friday nights.

Helen Toms explained that there is currently a massive issue with youth behaviour and the Community Safety Team is trying to support young peoples by distracting and disrupting unacceptable behaviour. A lot of work is going on in the background with Anti-Social Behaviour Officers and Youth Intervention Officers.

Helen set out the options for reporting incidents:

- Emergency situations should be reported by phoning 999
- Devon and Cornwall Police online reporting https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/ro/report/asb/asb-v3/report-antisocial-behaviour/
- Crimestoppers https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously This is a completely anonymous reporting system

Additionally for information relating the Community Safety Partnership

- Community Safety Partnership https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/fire-and-rescue-service/keeping-safe/community-safety/
- Safer Cornwall https://safercornwall.co.uk/
- Safer Cornwall Toolkit https://safercornwall.co.uk/safer-communities-toolkit/

Action Points

Inspector Andrews

- To consider periodic mobile speed detection
- To report back from a forthcoming stakeholder meeting
- Inspector Andrews has already asked Neighbourhood Beat Officers to make patrols in Beach Road and Sea Road when they can

Helen Toms

- Forward reporting details to the Clerk to disseminate
- Forward the link to the Community Safety Toolkit to the Clerk for dissemination
- To speak to Sue Edwards, Cornwall Council's Licensing Officer to ascertain how many complaints relating to the licence for the beach have been logged

Cllr Mustoe

To speak to Cornwall Council's Licensing team regarding public input/consultation/feedback

Clerk

- To request Cormac to undertake a speed monitoring exercise on Beach Road
- Parish council to consider entering into a Service Level Agreement with Cornwall Council to maintain the area between Crinnis Close and the Sea Road Crossroads (agenda item)
- The parish council to consider approaching Brend Hotels for permission for the parish council to instal a litter bin opposite the entrance to the golf club (agenda item)
- Put actions on the parish council's website and noticeboards and on the Carlyon Bay Facebook page

Residents

- REPORT ALL INCIDENTS
- Set up a Community Speed Watch group

Julie Larter 5 June 2025