

Report on Community Engagement and Current Issues
From Councillor John Thomas MBE, Cornwall Council

I am actively engaged in various community initiatives and have participated in several meetings, including those held at CC. One notable change has been the scheduling of pre-discussions on alternate days of the week, which has proven to be effective in facilitating communication and decision-making beyond traditional email exchanges.

Progress Update:

1. Carn View Play Area with Cornwall Housing: Continued efforts are being made to address concerns regarding Carn View. Communication with Cornwall Housing remains ongoing to ensure that necessary actions are taken.
2. 20's Plenty Rollout: Monitoring and coordination efforts are underway for the 20's Plenty speed limit rollout. This initiative aims to enhance road safety and community well-being.
3. Flood Management: Addressing flooding issues between the Fox and Hounds junction and Churchtown is a priority. Strategies are being developed to mitigate risks and improve infrastructure resilience.
4. Restriction of Large Vehicles: Enforcing restrictions on large vehicles using the Weak Bridge is crucial for public safety. Measures are being explored to ensure compliance and minimize damage to the bridge.
5. Pothole Repairs: Temporary repairs are being carried out to address potholes, enhancing road safety and infrastructure quality. Continuous monitoring is essential to maintain road conditions.
6. Road Signage: Updating road signage at various locations is underway to improve navigation and ensure accurate information for motorists and pedestrians.
7. Geothermal Complex Visit: I recently visited the Geothermal complex and am addressing any planning issues that may arise. This initiative represents a significant step towards sustainable energy solutions for the community.
8. Planning Applications: Several planning applications have been reviewed and visited to ensure compliance with regulations and address any concerns raised by residents.
9. Fly tipping Management: Ongoing efforts are being made to combat fly tipping, particularly the disposal of tires, in various locations. Changes in tipping charges at recycling centres are expected to contribute to a reduction in illegal dumping.

These activities reflect my commitment to our community. By addressing these issues collaboratively and working closely with Gwennap Parish Council and residents and by following up any concerns/issues raised I aim to enhance the overall well-being and safety of our community.

Regards,
John Thomas MBE