

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR UPDATE FOR JULY 2023



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Cornwall Council and around the Peninsula-

New Waste Collection information

Cornwall Cllrs have been sent more information regarding the new waste collection service that will begin in the area from April 2024. There has been some controversy over this project as it has taken a good while to get the vehicles needed in place. You might have recently seen in the press about the cost to Cornwall Council of storing the replacement bins for the last few years - Councillors were assured in Full Council last week that if those bins had been brought now, the increase in the cost of them would be approx. the same as the cost of storing them has been.

From April 2024 (or just before) residents will start receiving new waste containers. These will be 180l 'wheelie' bins, if a property is not suitable for a wheelie bin - ie, it is a flat or doesn't have storage space - they will receive 180l seagull sacks. In addition, each property will receive indoor and outdoor food waste containers. The new cycle for collecting waste will be:

Wheelie bins (black bag waste) - fortnightly

Outdoor food waste containers - weekly

Recycling - fortnightly

Dark skies

In my last update I updated you all on the "dark skies project" - I have now been informed that it is not being labelled as Dark Skies, but is a cost saving exercise. Which is what will all assumed anyway. I asked a question of the portfolio holder about risk assessments being carried out in rural and coastal communities that have a night-time economy. I have been promised a written response and as soon as I have that I will pass it on to PCs.

Highways

Last week, I met with Cormac about the first of the Highways schemes for the area, which is the St Johns Rd crossing in Millbrook. This is now at design and will be out for consultation in the Autumn. The other schemes in our division, should be going for design in the Autumn.

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Planning news

I have been working with St John Parish Council on a new Chief Planners note that will add further protection to the Whitsand Bay area. Currently it has been under a "saved policy" from 2000, which is out of date and meant appeals being won on planning applications that the community up there were resisting. Our hope is that this will be signed off in the next few weeks and will add to the protection for this area.

Rame Cluster Meeting

I will be holding a Rame Cluster meeting on Teams in September/October for the purpose of the Torpoint Team to engage with the Parishes about their sustainable travel plans. I would welcome any other items that might be of use for the Parishes to discuss, please do drop me a message! Date and time TBC.

Meetings attended this month

Central Planning x 2

Full Council

Children's and Families OSC

Mount Edgcumbe Joint Committee

Town and Parish Council Meetings

And I was delighted to be a part of the interview panel for the new Director of Children's Services in Cornwall.