

UPDATE 2 – 21st APRIL 2016

Re: PRESS RELEASE – ST MARTIN’S HILL ROAD CLOSURE – 3RD MAY – 20TH MAY 2016

St Martin’s Road in Looe is to close to allow tree felling and bank stabilisation works to take place at the bottom of the hill by the Sandplace Road junction.

The road is expected to close on 3 May and will re-open by 20 May. Because of the size of the machinery required, the tree felling taking place and the safety zones needed, it is not possible to carry out the works without closing the road. It will remain shut for 24 hours a day during the works period. Every effort will be made to finish the works ahead of schedule so that the road can re-open as soon as possible, with CORMAC Solutions Limited and their subcontractor working seven days a week.

The works will repair damage caused by a large tree that blew over in the January storms and when complete temporary protection measures currently in place can be removed, allowing the road to open for two way traffic in time for the busy summer season.

Diversion signs will be in place to direct traffic along the A387 Sandplace Road via Morval and Widegates and vice versa. There will also be signs in Sandplace Road to warn drivers that there may be pedestrians in the road as there is no footpath. Temporary traffic lights will be installed on Barbican Hill to help manage the traffic flow caused by the closure of St Martin’s Road.

Armand Toms, Cornwall Councillor for Looe East, said: “Unfortunately the road has to be closed for safety reasons while the work is carried out. We know from past experience that it will cause disruption and inconvenience, but CORMAC will do everything they can to finish the work as soon as possible. I would ask everyone to be patient and show consideration for their fellow road users while the works take place.”