

**CORNWALL COUNCILLOR ARMAND TOMS**  
**REPORT TO LOOE TOWN COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 2019**

As Councillors will know that Cornwall Council like many other Councils have a break during the month of August so we are just returning to the normal pattern of meetings.

**SHUTTA ROAD CLOSURE**

Even though I have asked and asked Cornwall Council has not come up with a meeting date for discussions with residents. These works are very important and are for the safety of residents and users of the road. Included in this is another complication with gas works on Shutta Hill for the renewal of the gas main to houses. The disruption in this area will be large and I hope that the council and utilities company will see sense and meet the residents.

**SOWENNA**

Sowenna is a new mental Health unit for children built in Bodmin so local children can be treated locally. I remember as a Governor of Cornwall Foundation NHS Trust when we were told the news of the funding coming through for this unit how delighted we were. The funding from NHS E is only a small part of the picture with so many groups adding additional funding to bring extra resources to this unit. It was great to see during the tour last Friday all these groups being recognised for their help and support. As Chair of Health Scrutiny I will be looking forward to getting updates on the progress of this unit.

**FISHERMANS LIFEJACKETS WITH PLB'S**

As Councillors will remember that I put a motion to the Council to supply this safety equipment to the fishermen of Cornwall. Well we have more news with the possibility of a further 60 being purchased for use. This will be about half of all the commercial fishermen in Cornwall being supplied with these lifejackets, good news and I thank Andy Bridgen for his support with the venture.

## **SITE VISITS FOR SCHOOL TRANSPORT APPEALS**

Over the years I have been a Councillor there have been occasions when I have had to support the appeal against the removal of transport to school for children in this area. My immediate way of seeing if it is safe is to walk the route and then appeal when I feel that if I am feeling unsafe on these routes. At times the Council use people to assess this route and there are often disagreements, so a motion is going to tomorrow's full Cornwall Council meeting to have site visits for these differences can be looked at more closely.

## **HEDGE CUTTING AND LOCAL AREAS CLEANED UP**

During August I have been out and about cleaning up in a number of local areas especially after a number of complaints to the Council were not acted on. I have asked for the hedges to be cut along Barbican Road, Hay Lane and Plaidy Lane, trees cut in Sunrising and Shutta. Having cleared paths in Churchlands recently I will continue with clean ups in a number of paths in my area. A call for some of these will go out soon so any help would be appreciated.

## **SUNRISING**

I have printed off a large number of leaflets for distribution in the Sunrising area asking residents if they want a play area for the younger children. It also asks for locations for this and volunteers to support and help with funding

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