

St Erth Parish Plan 2006 - 2016

*our parish's Plan of Action
for the next decade*

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Introduction

The St Erth Parish Plan project was set up by the Parish Council in 2004 to find out the hopes, needs and concerns of the people of St Erth. **The Parish Plan 2006** sets out the priorities you have chosen as our Plan of Action for the next decade.

The Process

The Parish Plan Steering Group drew up a comprehensive list of themes of particular interest or concern to residents, and the **Parish Survey 2005** was distributed to every resident in St Erth Parish.

The Event Day took place in January 2006 at the Old School in St Erth for residents to choose and comment on their top priorities. Post-it notes were provided for extra comments and suggestions. Representatives from community organisations, St Erth Parish Council, Penwith District Council and Cornwall County Council came along to discuss concerns and give advice. A hog roast and other refreshments were provided to help the day along.

The actions you have chosen are not fixed for completion within a finite period. As the village evolves, projects will be completed, and new challenges will present themselves. The community will need to review the plan and reassess its objectives as the decade progresses, to reflect the changes in the Parish.



Making The Plan Happen

You want to protect the character and environment of the parish, and see improvements to services and infrastructure, and the Parish is already making progress on projects that will enhance life for all in our community.

The Plan should be used as a tool to guide and assist us in our activities, help plan our actions, and provide the evidence needed to support funding bids. We, the community and the Parish Council, will need to work together to achieve our aims.

Inevitably many actions will overlap – plans for youth facilities, for instance, could well be considered in conjunction with the Community Centre, Public Open Spaces, Environment, or St Erth Primary School projects.

As we go to print, discussions are underway about the future of the Methodist Chapel, and the possibilities of a new Community Centre being established there or on a new site near the school. The St Erth Residents Association has refurbished Vicarage Gate playing field as a Play Parc, and plans are underway for allotments to be established next to the parc. Alternative proposals for recreation have also been put forward for the old BMX track by the river, and sites for a football field are being investigated by a newly formed team comprising residents and members of the Parish Council.

Links to the Hayle Area Plan

The St Erth Parish Plan, and the subsequent actions and projects to result from it, need to be linked in strongly with the Hayle Area Plan 2005-25. This is a community led strategic Plan for Hayle and the surrounding Parishes, including Gwinear-Gwithian and St Erth. More information can be found on the Plan, along with other important strategies, in the Index of Partners and Strategies (pages 12 - 16).





St Erth Parish Projects and Actions - the Priorities

The concerns, actions and projects to be highlighted through undertaking the consultation are printed on the following pages in order of priority >>>



Youth Facilities

The young people of the Parish responded enthusiastically to the questions in the Survey and to the topic boards at the Event Day, and youth facilities came top of the list of priorities. They would like to see new activities for young people in the Parish, and new places for recreation.

It is important that young people are encouraged to be involved in as many projects as possible, and understand that they have as much ‘ownership’ of the community’s facilities as do adult residents.

Projects

- Provide more and better playing equipment in playing fields
- Construct a new BMX track
- Set up youth club in new Community Centre
- Set up youth action team

Partners

Penwith District Council Regeneration, Tourism & Leisure (Community Regeneration and Sports Development) / Penwith District Council Housing, Health and Community Safety Service (Community Safety & Young People Services) / West Cornwall Together Children and Young People Delivery Group / Young Volunteers / Parents / St Erth Parish Council St Erth Residents Association / St Erth Primary School Local Sports Groups / Advisory and Funding Bodies / Prince’s Trust / Cornwall Community Foundation (LNF Fund) / Cornwall County Council Youth Service / Cornwall Rural Community Council Allplay Service & Rural Services Officer

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 4 (Health)/ Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Children and Young People

Youth Facilities Requirements

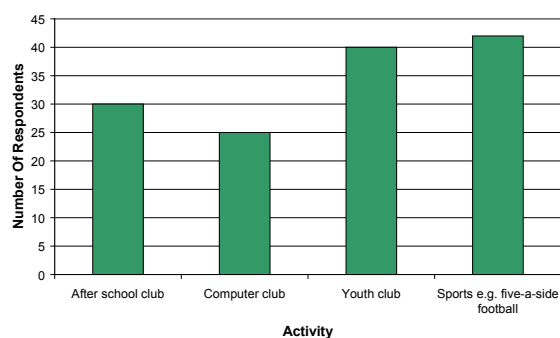


Figure 1. Chart showing type of youth facilities required in the Parish



Community Centre

From the comments made in the Survey and at the Event Day, there is a great need for a community centre for social and recreational activities. St Erth Primary School lacks a school hall and is particularly keen to have somewhere to hold large school events and indoor sports.

The newly formed Project Team is studying the feasibility of building a new Community Centre near the school as a first choice, or refurbishing the Methodist Chapel.

Actions

The Community Centre Team will

- Continue its feasibility study of building a new Community Centre
- Consider which community groups and services could make sustainable use of the Centre
- Seek funding, negotiate legal agreements, put out tenders to contractors etc
- Enlist help of partners (eg sports organisations, health services, therapists, community education outreach, etc) who might provide services and guarantee sustained use

Partners

Community Centre Team / St Erth Methodists / St Erth Church / St Erth Parish Council / St Erth Residents Association / St Erth Primary School / Penwith District Council Regeneration, Tourism & Leisure Service (Community Regeneration and Sports Development) / Cornwall Rural Community Council Community Buildings Advisor / West Cornwall Together Stronger, Safer Sustainable Communities Delivery Group / West Cornwall Together Health, Communities and Older People / Sports groups / Advisory and Funding Bodies / Cornwall Rural Community Council / West Cornwall Primary Care Trust / ProHelp

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25)
Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 3 (Safe, Strong Communities) / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Stronger, Safer Sustainable Communities



Roads and Safety

As elsewhere in Cornwall, rural traffic causes great concern, especially speeding traffic. Many called for more traffic calming measures to make roads in the Parish as safe as possible.

Actions

To achieve this, the community will need to

- Set up a team to liaise with Cornwall Highways and Road Safety bodies to pursue improvements
- Press for traffic calming measures at specific locations
- Identify parking problems and establish off street parking zones
- Create ‘village square’ between the Post Office and The Star Inn with different surface *eg stone paving* to calm traffic, create no parking zone and reclaim safe area for pedestrians

Locations

Fore Street / School Lane / Tredrea Lane / Chenhalls Road / St Erth Hill / Treloweth Farm Bend / St Erth Village Square

Partners

St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council Sustainable Development Service (Sustainable Communities) / West Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership / Cornwall County Council Highways and Road Safety / Devon and Cornwall Police / Other Road Safety Bodies / St Erth Residents Association / St Erth Primary School / Community Volunteers

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Cornwall Structure Plan (2004) / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 8 (Resources) / Cornwall Local Transport Plan 2 / Penwith Local Development Framework / Cornwall Local Transport Plan 2



South West Water

The bad smells emanating from St Erth sewage works have annoyed residents for many years and the problems have still not been resolved.

A closer relationship between residents and South West Water needs to be established.

Actions

- Set up community liaison group and arrange regular public meetings
- Press for elimination of persistent problems

Partners

St Erth Residents / St Erth Parish Council / St Erth Residents Association / South West Water / Penwith District Council / Penwith District Council Housing, Health and Community Safety Service (Environmental Health) / West Cornwall Together Stronger, Safer, Sustainable Communities Delivery Group / West Cornwall Together Healthy Communities and Older People / Cornwall County Council

Strategies

Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 8 (Resources)

‘At present cars drive much too fast through village, particularly Chapel Hill, School Lane and Fore Street.’

Resident’s Comment

Public Transport Use

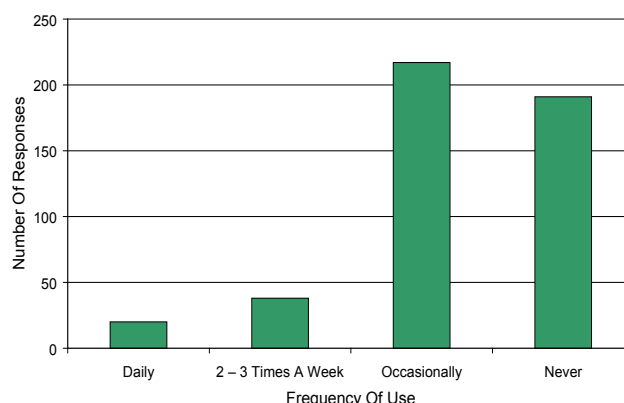


Figure 3. Chart showing the frequency of use of public transport.



Transport

Transport users have experienced difficulties in the past with bus services, their timetabling, reliability and affordability. St Erth Station is a relatively long way from the village, with no continuous pavement from the village to the station. The Local Transport Plan 2 contains a commitment to establish a Park and Ride interchange at St Erth station. This would include a junction improvement with the A30, bus access, station upgrade, improved disabled access and information. The scheme is programmed for delivery by 2009/10.

Actions

- Identify needs not already met by existing public and community transport to assess whether amendments to existing services are possible and/or if new services could be piloted
- Improve disabled access at St Erth Station
- Provide better information for transport users

Partners

St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council / Cornwall County Council Public Transport Unit / Community Volunteers / Carshare Cornwall / West Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership / Penwith District Council Sustainable Development Service (Sustainable Communities) / West Cornwall Community Wheels

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Cornwall Structure Plan (2004) / Cornwall Local Transport Plan 2 / Penwith Local Development Framework / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 8 (Resources)



Open Spaces, Recreation and Sports

At present there are no facilities for organised sport or recreation in St Erth. The field owned by the Parish at the back of Vicarage Gate has been identified as a possible site for a football field and plans are being drawn up by St Erth Residents Association to improve the site.

Actions

- Construct village green / sports field
- Set up a Village Green Team to identify a site and the recreational and sports groups that would use the facility
- Negotiate legal agreements, seek funding, put out tenders to contractors etc
- Locations - Vicarage Gate / Battery Mill Lane

Partners

St Erth Residents Association / Community Working Group and Volunteers / St Erth Parish Council Penwith District Council Regeneration, Tourism & Leisure (Community Regeneration and Sports Development) and Penwith District Council Operational Services (Open Spaces) / West Cornwall Together - Stronger, Safer, Sustainable Communities Delivery Group / Cornwall County Council Local Sports Clubs / Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Sports Alliance / Sport England / Prince's Trust / Advisory and Funding Bodies

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 6 (Environment) / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Safer, Stronger, Sustainable Communities



'Not all people have cars and their own transport. Good bus availability is essential for the older folk, especially those physically disabled.'

Resident's Comment



Hayle Riverbank Trail

National Cycle Route 3, from Lands End to Gwithian passes through St Erth on its way to Hayle, but at present the road between St Erth and Hayle is dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists.

A multi-user trail laid along the riverbank would create a Safe Route to Work/School, and encourage residents and tourists to be less dependent on their cars.

Actions

Construct off-road trail along Hayle Riverbank in stages:

- Phase 1: St Erth to Hayle Causeway via RSPB reserve
- Phase 2 Construction of new pedestrian river bridge at St Erth
- Phase 3: Off-road trail connecting St Erth Station and Hayle Causeway
- Phase 4: St Erth to Relubbus

Partners

St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council Regeneration, Tourism & Leisure (Community Regeneration) and Penwith District Council Operational and technical Services (Open Spaces) Penwith Access and Rights of Way (PAROW) project West Cornwall Together Stronger, Safer, Sustainable Communities Delivery Group / Cornwall County Council Environment Agency / RSPB / Community Volunteers / Local Landowners / Cornwall Wildlife Trust / BTCV / English Nature / Sustrans

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Penwith Local Development Framework / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 6 (Environment) / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Safer, Stronger, Sustainable Communities / Cornwall Local Transport Plan 2

‘The pavement in Fore Street is too narrow for prams. They have to be pushed in the middle of the road due to the amount of cars parked in the street.’

Resident’s Comment



Pavements

Where there are pavements in the Parish, many are sub-standard and unsuitable for use by parents with buggies or wheelchair users. In terms of accessing the school, considerable benefits can be realised through the School Travel Plan process, encouraging schools to assess their current travel patterns and identify where there is potential for sustainable travel and for safety improvements.

Actions

- Set up team to liaise with appropriate authorities and pursue improvements
- Improve and extend pavements in the parish, and create Safe Routes to Work/School

Locations

Chapel Hill / Fore Street / Tredrea Lane / Treloweth Lane at Treloweth Farm / Chenhalls Road towards the Causeway / St Erth Station

Partners

St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council Sustainable Development Service (Sustainable Communities) / Cornwall County Council Highways / Community volunteers

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Cornwall Structure Plan (2004) / Penwith Local Development Framework Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 8 (Resources)/ Cornwall County Council School Travel Plan

Improvements To Pavements

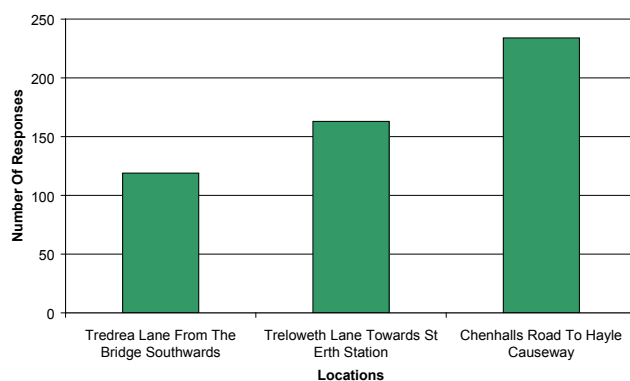


Figure 4. Chart showing resident’s views on where pavements need to be improved/built in the Parish.



Environment

St Erth Parish has over 50 Listed Buildings and St Erth and Relubbus are Conservation Areas. There is a very important scheduled Monument at Bosence. The southern part of the Parish and the neighbouring town of Hayle are also within the Cornish Mining World Heritage Site. Many ways have been suggested to improve our Parish environment.

Actions

- Identify locations for more recycling and litter bins, additional street furniture eg benches, cycle stands etc, and install where necessary
- Identify locations for environmental improvement, eg new hedgerows, tree planting etc
- Involve local school children in planting and maintenance projects
- Preservation of character of the built environment

Partners

St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council Regeneration, Tourism & Leisure (Community Regeneration), Penwith District Council Operational Services (Open Spaces and Refuse and Recycling) and Penwith District Council Sustainable Development Service (Sustainable Communities) / St Erth Residents Association / St Erth Primary School / Community volunteers / Rezolve / Community Energy Plus / West Cornwall Together Stronger, Safer, Sustainable Communities Delivery Group / Cornwall County Council - West Cornwall Countryside Officer / Cornwall Wildlife Trust

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Cornwall Structure Plan (2004) / Penwith Local Development Framework / Cornwall Local Transport Plan 2 / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 6 (Environment) / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Safer, Stronger, Sustainable Communities / Recycle for Cornwall



St Erth Primary School

Our village school is a friendly and popular one with families, but like all schools has suffered a drop in pupil numbers recently. The school wants to attract as many new pupils from the Parish as possible to maintain its viability. The new Sure Start centre at the school will be a great asset.

The school lacks a few facilities, the most important being a school hall - a new Community Centre would provide much needed facilities for creative activities and indoor sports.

Actions

- To assist in the creation of a Community Centre
- To build on the close relationship between Parish residents and St Erth Primary School, and help the work of Friends of St Erth School
- To encourage parents to make St Erth their first and only choice, and ensure the school's future in the village
- To make more use of the facilities available in and out of hours, and to create new facilities whenever possible
- Increase communication between Parish and school

Partners

St Erth Primary School / Asset Manager of St Erth Primary / Young Volunteers / Parents / Friends of St Erth School / St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council Regeneration, Tourism & Leisure (Community Regeneration and Sports Development) / West Cornwall Together Children and Young People Communities Delivery Group / Cornwall County Council - Extended Schools Co-ordinator / Local Sports Groups / St Erth Residents Association / Advisory and Funding Bodies / Cornwall Children & Young People's Partnership

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 5 (Learning) / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Safer, Stronger, Sustainable Communities

'St Erth School is currently applying for a building funded by Surestart, which, if successful, will provide a playgroup and possibly room for doctor's clinic etc. The computer suite at school could be used by the community.'

Resident's Comment



Footpaths, Cycleways and Bridleway

The Parish is fortunate in having a large network of footpaths and bridleways that are enjoyed by tourists and residents alike. To encourage greater use of the Parish’s footpaths and bridleways for access to work and recreation in the Parish, safer routes need to be established.

Actions

- Maintain footpaths and bridleways in accordance with strategic and funding plans
- Construct trail along Hayle Riverbank in stages, including new pedestrian bridge at St Erth

Locations

- New path from Vicarage Gate to the School as a Safe Route to School. Other locations across the Parish

Partners

St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council Regeneration, Tourism & Leisure (Community Regeneration) and Penwith District Council Operational and Technical Services (Open Spaces) / Penwith Access and Rights of Way (PAROW) Project / West Cornwall Together - Stronger, Safer, Sustainable Communities Delivery Group / Cornwall County Council Environment and Heritage / Environment Agency / Community Volunteers / Land Managers / Sustrans / Big Lottery Fund

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Penwith Development Framework / Cornwall Local Transport Plan 2 / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 6 (Environment) / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Safer, Stronger, Sustainable Communities

*‘The Parish needs more Police presence around trouble spots.’
Resident’s Comment*



Police

A large section of the community feel poorly served by the police, even though the parish does not suffer from a large number of crimes. Policing provision seems inconsistent and varies from year to year. Although Police report monthly to the Parish Council, residents will need to establish a closer working relationship with the police to press for better cover.

Actions

- Set up community working group to meet regularly

Partners

Devon & Cornwall Police - Neighbourhood Beat Officer / St Erth Parish Council / Neighbourhood Watch Leaders Community Volunteers / Penwith District Council Housing, Health and Community Safety Service (Community Safety Services) / West Cornwall Together Stronger, Safer, Sustainable Communities / Town and Parish Forum

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 3 An area that supports safe empowered and thriving communities / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Safer, Stronger, Sustainable Communities

Police Presence

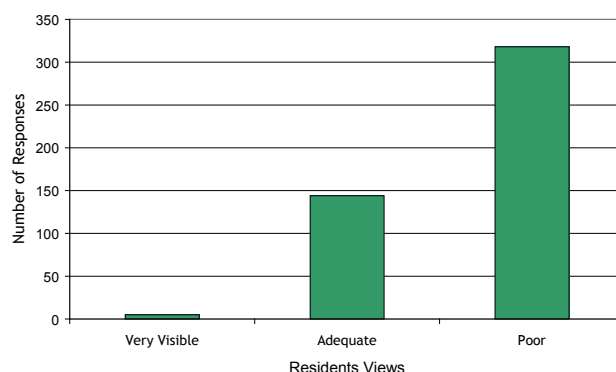


Figure 5. Chart showing resident’s views on current police presence in the Parish.



Health and Wellbeing

Residents of all ages in the Parish would like to have more opportunities to improve the quality of their health and wellbeing.

Actions

- Identify health care needs and any shortcomings
- Establish regular activities and services in the Community Centre
- Suggest services to complement existing provision
- Set up new groups/clubs to provide health support and activities
- Ensure easy access to West Cornwall Healthy Living Centre database

Partners

St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council Housing, Health and Community Safety Service / West Cornwall Together Healthier communities and Older People / West Cornwall Healthy Living Centre / Duchy Health Charity / Community Volunteers

Strategies

Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 4 (Health) / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Healthier communities and Older People / Hayle Area Plan (2005-25)



Employment

St Erth has few opportunities for employment and the prosperity of the area would benefit from the encouragement of business. The Parish needs to be less of a 'dormitory' village and provide more opportunities for work within the Parish.

Actions

- Explore opportunities to provide work and employment, and secure the economic future of the Parish
- Identify locations for workspaces and encourage businesses to set up in the Parish

Partners

St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council Regeneration, Tourism & Leisure (Economic Development) and Penwith District Council Sustainable Development / West Cornwall Together Economy and Enterprise Delivery Group / Community Volunteers / Federation of Small Businesses / Business Link / Pro-Help / Cornwall Enterprise / Cornwall & Isle of Scilly Economic Forum / Rural Development Agency / Cornwall County Council

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Cornwall Structure Plan (2004) / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 1 A prosperous area with job opportunities for all / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Economy and Enterprise / Penwith Local Development Framework / Economic Development Strategy For Cornwall & Isle of Scilly 2006 -2021 (Draft)



'We need to encourage businesses into village.'

Resident's Comment



Village Information

Many residents find it difficult to know what is going on in the area, as there is only one noticeboard in the village. More noticeboards available for all to use would help stop flyposting around the Parish.

Actions

- Set up village newsletter / magazine
- Erect more notice boards in the Parish
- Insure notice boards are kept up-to-date and presentable
- Continued development of St Erth Parish Council Website

Locations

- Riverbank / Treloweth / Trehayes / Vicarage Gate / St Erth Station

Partners

Penwith District Council Regeneration, Tourism & Leisure (Community Regeneration) / West Cornwall Community Network - Penwith Interlink / St Erth Residents Association / Community Volunteers / Service providers eg Police, South West Water, Health Authority

‘Whilst agreeing with some building of affordable housing, any which adds to current congestion of inadequate roads, is extremely undesirable.’

Resident’s Comment



Housing

Consultation with residents reveals the feeling that housing development should be very limited, and preferably on brown-field, not green-field sites.

It is felt that affordable housing should be provided, but not as a part of larger developments of more expensive housing. However a sustainable population size is required to support the school, shops and other local services, and limited development may be necessary to ensure the lifeblood of the village.

It also appears that while most housing needs are met, a small number of local people are seeking affordable accommodation in the Parish. As ‘affordable housing’ can be very expensive to buy, rented properties would suit some local people better.

Actions

- Set up working group to identify sites
- Consider implications on infrastructure eg roads and parking, mains services
- Liaise with Penwith District Council Housing and Planning officers

Partners

St Erth Parish Council / Penwith District Council Housing, Health and Community Safety Service (Housing) / West Cornwall Together Stronger, Safer, Sustainable Communities / St Erth Residents Association / Community Working Party / Penwith Housing Association / Local Landowners / Residents / Cornwall Sustainable Building Trust (CSBT)

Strategies

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) / Cornwall Structure Plan (2004) / Penwith Local Development Framework / Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 Outcome 2 An area that has sufficient quality housing for all our community needs / Cornwall Local Area Agreement - Safer Stronger and Sustainable Communities

‘The beauty of St Erth is in the location, therefore any development should be limited and if possible use Brownfield sites.’

Resident’s Comment



Quality Council Status

Quality Council Status would help improve quality of Parish Council's service to the community and secure greater funding for Parish Council-led projects.

Actions

- Apply for Quality Council Status
- Draw up a Parish Planning Policy to help determine the quantity and quality of planning in our community

Partners

Cornwall Association for Local Councils (CALC) / Penwith District Council Corporate Service (Legal and Democratic)



We like the place because of the beautiful countryside and coastline nearby. It's a good walking area!

Resident's Comment

Obtaining Information

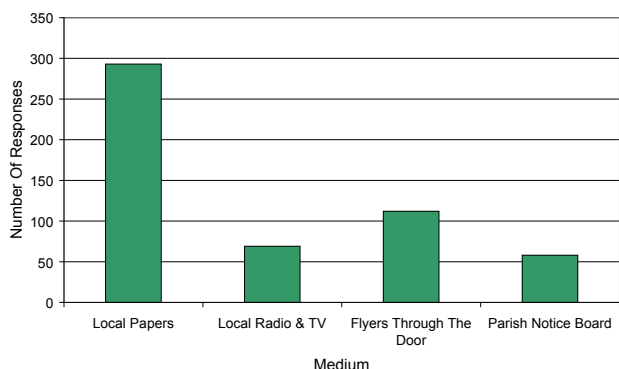


Figure 6. Chart showing the sources where residents obtain local information.



What Next?

How You Can Help

The success of any project will depend on the contributions made by St Erth residents, not by outside agencies imposing their own will on our community. The Parish Council will help any individual or group with advice and help get funding through the many organisations which are very keen to help.

You are welcome to contribute to any of the projects and actions in any way you can. If you would like to pursue a project, you might wish to set up your own group (liaising with the Parish Council) or join one of the existing community groups. The St Erth Residents Association, St Erth Feast Committee and St Erth Concert Band, and other village groups are all keen to welcome newcomers. A list of contacts can be found at the end of this Plan.



Index of Partners and Strategies

The following pages provide information on the various partners and strategies mentioned throughout the Plan. Relevant aims, objectives and policies within strategies, that complement or are of relevance to the St Erth Parish Plan, are included.

British Trust for Conservation Volunteers (BTCV) -

A trust that works with people/volunteers on educational/environmental projects. For more information visit www.btcv.org.

Big Lottery Fund -

The Big Lottery Fund is responsible for giving out half the money for good causes raised by the National Lottery. The funding covers health, education, environment and charitable purposes. The Fund states it is committed to bringing improvements to communities and the lives of people most in need. For more information visit www.biglotteryfund.org.uk.

Business Link -

A government initiative that provides information, advice and support needed to start, maintain and grow a business. For more information visit www.businesslink.gov.uk.

Carshare Cornwall -

Set up by Cornwall County Council, Carshare Cornwall aims to assist people living in Cornwall to contact potential lift-sharing partners. The initiative is internet based and gives people the ability to limit their search according to their requirements. Visit the web site at www.carsharecornwall.com.

Community Energy Plus -

Community Energy Plus (CEP) is a registered charity dedicated to reducing the carbon dioxide emissions that contribute to climate change. Specific aims of the organisation are sustainable reduction in domestic and small business energy consumption, the eradication of fuel poverty and health problems associated with it and the promotion of sustainable energy, new build and renovation practices. CEP has a dedicated team who work with Cornwall's communities at a local level. For more information visit www.cep.org.uk.

Cornwall Association of Local Councils (CALC) -

The association offers a range of services to member councils, such as legal advice, policy advice and training. The Parish Council is a member of CALC and will seek assistance in gaining Quality Status. For more information visit www.captc.co.uk.

Cornwall Community Foundation -

Cornwall Community Foundation is an independent grant-making charity. Its purpose is to support community-based projects that make a difference to the quality of life for local people who are disadvantaged. One scheme run by the foundation is the Local Network Fund (LNF) grant scheme, which awards money to community groups for young people's projects. For more information visit www.cornwallfoundation.com.

Cornwall County Council -

- > Highways - The Highways Development Control team represents the County Council as the Highway Authority and is responsible for making statutory consultation responses on highway

related elements of planning applications which are determined by the District Councils.

- > Passenger Transport Unit - The PTU provides a range of services, including devising a network of passenger transport, monitoring the efficiency of the bus services and making the day-to-day modifications to the network.
- > Road Safety Unit - Road Safety in Cornwall is co-ordinated by the Road Safety Unit, who are responsible for an ongoing programme of Education, Training and Publicity. The Unit also co-ordinates and provides information, advice and resources. Activities managed by the service include Community Education Road Safety, The Driver & Rider Training Team, The Publicity Team (promoting local and national road safety issues within the County and raising public awareness), The Travel Awareness Team (focusing on sustainable transport and travel initiatives linked to objectives within the LTP2) and School Crossing Patrol Recruitment and Training.
- > School Travel Plans - The School Travel Plan Team works with schools across the County to help develop and implement travel plans. A travel plan is useful for schools who have concerns about congestion at the school gate, road safety and would like to encourage more walking, cycling and bus travel to school.
- > Youth Service - Cornwall Youth Service contributes to the support services provided to young people in their transition from childhood to adulthood, encouraging their personal and social development, individual fulfillment and helping them engage in society.

For more information on services offered by Cornwall County Council visit www.cornwall.gov.uk.

Cornwall Enterprise -

Cornwall Enterprise's aim is to develop the economy in Cornwall. It offers training, information and advice for Cornish businesses. For more information on services offered by Cornwall Enterprise and training available visit www.cornwallenterprise.co.uk.

Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Economic Forum (CEF) -

The Forum is the over-arching Economic Development partnership for Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly and is both recognised and funded by the South West Regional Development Agency (SWRDA) as its Sub-Regional Partner, and by Cornwall County Council as its economic development partnership.

The Economic Forum leads the development of the economic strategy *Strategy & Action* and is charged with developing and monitoring the economic development priorities set out within the strategy. Its objective is to support, influence and guide the County Council, SWRDA and other bodies in their actions and initiatives. For more information visit www.economicforum.org.uk.

Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Sports Alliance -

The Alliance is part of the Cornwall Sports Partnership. Its key priorities are to improve facilities, effect cultural change, improve communication, and target those not currently taking part in formal and informal healthy activity. It can be contacted for information and advice on sports projects at info@cornwallsportpartnership.co.uk.

Cornwall Local Transport Plan 2 (LTP2) (2006-2011) - The LTP2 carries on the work of the LTP1 (2001 to 2006), setting out a comprehensive plan for all types of transport in Cornwall. Aims within the plan include, to improve access to key services and facilities in Cornwall, to reduce the growth of traffic congestion and transport related air pollution and improve public transport in Cornwall, improve local safety for all who travel in Cornwall and reduce the impact of transport on Cornwall's natural, historic and built environment.

The LTP2 contains a commitment to deliver a strategic Park and Ride at St Erth station. This would include a junction improvement with the A30, bus access, station upgrade, improved disabled access and information. The scheme is programmed for delivery by 2009/10. St Erth Parish Council will be a key consultee in the detailed scheme development. For further information email vfraser@cornwall.gov.uk.

Cornish Mining World Heritage Site - World Heritage status gives recognition to Cornish Mining's excellence as a world class cultural and heritage site and recognises the importance of Cornish Mining's historic landscapes and outstanding buildings in addition to its important role in technological innovation and scientific research. World Heritage Status is on a par with such international landmarks as Stonehenge, the Taj Mahal and the Great Wall of China. More information can be found on the Cornish World Heritage website at www.cornishmining.org.uk.

Cornwall Money Matters - Produced by Cornwall Rural Community Council, this is a publication that provides information on possible funders for community projects. Visit www.cornwallmoneymatters.org.uk to download a copy or alternatively contact Cornwall Rural Community Council to obtain a printed copy.

Cornwall Primary Care Trust - Part of the NHS, the Trust aims to deliver better health services and to improve the health of local people. The Trust works closely with GP practices and directly provides a wide range of health services in the community. These include community hospitals and the services provided by district nurses, midwives, health visitors, physiotherapists,

occupational therapists and many others. The Trust also funds hospital care in acute hospitals and ensures that this and other specialist treatment is available to people living in the area.

Cornwall Rural Community Council (CRCC) - A charity dedicated to helping rural communities in Cornwall. Services that may be of help regarding actions in the St Erth Plan are:

- > Allplay: This service provides essential information on play related issues including play equipment suppliers, accessing funding and on legislative children's rights.
- > Community Buildings Advisory Service: This service provides a wide range of practical help, advice and support to management committees running a village, community or church hall.
- > Rural Services Officer: The Rural Services officer is available to provide help and support to groups who have completed a Parish Plan and are looking to take actions forward.

For more information visit www.cornwallrcc.co.uk.

Cornwall Structure Plan (2004) - The Structure Plan is an important planning document for Cornwall. It sets out policies to guide changes in development and transport over the next 10-15 years. These policies are used by local councils as a basis for making planning decisions and for drawing up more detailed plans.

Cornwall Sustainable Building Trust (CSBT) - CSBT is a charitable company committed to making building design and construction as sustainable as possible, with minimal negative impact on the environment, both locally and globally.

Cornwall Sustainable Energy Partnership - Linked with Community Energy Plus, the partnership's aim is to actively integrate sustainable energy into public, private and community sector strategies. This is being achieved by encouraging the inclusion of sustainable energy initiatives into existing partnerships and programmes, promoting the development of new sustainable energy programmes and prioritising activities that explicitly address climate change and fuel poverty issues. For more information visit www.csep.co.uk.

Cornwall Waste Local Plan - This document provides a broad overall strategy for the management of future waste in Cornwall. The main issues which have been addressed in the plan are -

- > The effective management of all waste
- > A re-examination of how waste is currently handled.
- > What new approaches should be adopted in order to achieve a move away from the disposal of

waste by landfill, in order to deal with future waste.

- > How to increase the current rates of re-use of waste.
- > Recovery of materials and energy and provision of facilities/sites.

A copy of the plan is available at www.cornwall.gov.uk.

Cornwall Wildlife Trust - Cornwall Wildlife Trust is a registered charity which organises a range of wildlife-related events and activities throughout its reserves in Cornwall. It also supports many wildlife and conservation specialist groups, many of which are voluntary, working on a variety of projects. More information can be found at www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk.

Cornwall Children & Young People's Partnership - A countywide Partnership committed to improving services and outcomes for children and young people.

Economic Development Strategy For Cornwall and Isles of Scilly 2006 -2021 (Draft) - Produced by the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Economic Forum the strategy seeks to '*achieve sustainable prosperity for all in Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly*'. A copy of the draft can be viewed at www.economicforum.org.uk.

English Nature - English Nature is a government agency that champions the conservation of wildlife, geology and wild places. Working with a wide range of partners, it also tries to enable others by giving advice, grants and licenses. For more information visit www.english-nature.org.uk.

Federation of Small Businesses - A campaign and pressure group that works to protect the interests of self-employed people and small firms. Subscribing members can benefit from specialist advice and practical assistance. For more information visit www.fsb.org.uk.

Hayle Area Plan (2005-25) - The document is a community led strategic plan for the development and regeneration of Hayle and the surrounding parishes of Gwinear-Gwithian and St Erth. The plan is being implemented by the Hayle Plan Partnership, successor to Revitalise! Hayle Coast and Country, a Market and Coastal Town Initiative. For more information visit www.mcti.org.uk.

Penwith Housing Association - A non-profit making organisation which provides, builds, improves and manages the provision of Social Housing. For more information visit www.penwithha.org.uk.

Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025 - As part of its modernisation agenda, the Government tasked all authorities across

the country to produce a Community Strategy. The Community Strategy is a tool to encourage local authorities and different organisations from the private, community and voluntary sectors to work in partnership to achieve goals that could not be accomplished individually. To bring these different sectors together each council established their own Local Strategic Partnership (LSP). As both Penwith and Kerrier received neighbourhood renewal funding a joint partnership that was already established was developed into West Cornwall Together and was made up of representatives from Parish, District and County Councils, the Health Authority, Devon and Cornwall Police and private, community and voluntary sector organisations.

One of the reasons for producing Community Strategies is to allow local people to have more say in what happens within their communities. To encourage local people to put forward their views and opinions, various forms of consultation were undertaken. From this information eight outcomes were identified which formed the basis for the Vision for Penwith - A Sustainable Community Strategy for Penwith 2006 - 2025. These outcomes were:

- > **Jobs:** a prosperous area with job opportunities for all
- > **Housing:** an area that has sufficient quality housing for all our community needs
- > **Safe, Strong Communities:** an area that supports safe, empowered and thriving communities
- > **Health:** a place where people are healthy and active
- > **Learning:** an area that provides learning opportunities for all
- > **Environment:** a community that values and protects its distinctive landscape and environment
- > **Culture and Heritage:** a community that protects, enhances and celebrates its culture and heritage and is recognised internationally
- > **Resources:** a community that makes best use of its resources

From its inception, the Community Strategy process in Penwith has examined the key quality of life issues for the area, and worked with the community to develop their aspirations and needs into a meaningful Strategy. The Market and Coastal Town (MCTI) and Parish Planning Initiatives taking place in much of Penwith have contributed towards the development of the strategy and allow it to develop further, once a comprehensive document has been completed.

For more information visit www.penwith.gov.uk.

Penwith Local Development Framework (LDF) -

Penwith Local Development Framework will replace the current Local Plan over the next few years, The framework will consist of a folder of separate Local Development Documents (LDDs) relating to different issues, rather than one document dealing with a range of issues as is the case with the current Local Plan. Policies in the Local Plan are saved within the new system until such time as they are replaced by relevant Local Development Documents.

For more information visit www.penwith.gov.uk.

Penwith Local Plan (2004) - See also Penwith Local Development Framework. Policies in the Local Plan specifically regarding St. Erth Parish Plan include:

- > **Development - Policy St-1:**
Development in Penwith will be focused on the main urban centres together with, in the case of serviced industrial land, the St. Erth station area.
- > **Housing Development -**
'Proposals for housing development will be permitted within St. Erth provided that the proposal is for a small site, up to 0.15 Hectare in size, which does not form part of a larger undeveloped area.'

A full list of policies can be viewed at www.penwith.gov.uk.

Penwith's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) -

The Statement of Community Involvement forms part of Penwith's LDF and its purpose is to set out how the Council will involve and consult with local community organisations, individuals and other bodies during the preparation or review of planning policy documents and the consideration of planning applications. For more information visit www.penwith.gov.uk.

People Matter - Produced by Cornwall Rural Community Council, this is a publication that provides information on public, voluntary & statutory organisations that are able to provide valuable help or resources to community groups & community enterprises. Download a copy at www.cornwallrcc.co.uk.

Prince's Trust - A charity dedicated to helping young people overcome barriers and realise their potential through practical support including training, mentoring and financial assistance. For more information visit www.princes-trust.org.uk.

Pro-Help - This is an initiative consisting of a network of firms that give free professional support to voluntary and community groups in Cornwall, on a one-off basis. ProHelp is run by Business in the Community, a national charitable organisation which helps businesses contribute to their local communities. Members of ProHelp include surveyors,

architects, accountants, solicitors, public relations and marketing specialists, engineers, and designers. Examples of ProHelp work include solicitors giving advice on charitable status, helping with lease negotiations and drawing up legal contracts; accountants helping with the writing of business plans and financial planning; and surveyors conducting property and construction surveys and offering health and safety advice. For more information visit www.cornwallrcc.co.uk.

Quality Council Status - The Quality Parish and Town Council scheme was designed to provide a benchmark minimum standards for Parish and Town Councils and enable them to better represent the communities they serve. The scheme also aims to give enhance relationships between local councils, principal authorities and community and voluntary sector organisations. For more information visit www.nalc.gov.uk/quality/benefitofqs.html

Rural Shops Alliance (RSA) - The RSA is a national trade association that operates exclusively for and on behalf of the owners of independent village shops. Its aim is to support and inform owners of village shops and to encourage rural retailers to become more proactive and professional in operating their businesses. The RSA is also a lobbying organisation, working with and on behalf of rural retailers on a whole range of issues, largely to combat the increasing burden of red tape upon village shops. For more information visit www.rural-shops-alliance.co.uk.

South West Rural Development Agency (SWRDA) - SWRDA's aim is to improve the economy in the South West through increasing skills, encouraging enterprise and improving communications. For more information on the SWRDA visit www.southwestrda.org.uk.

Sport England - Sport England states that it invests in projects which help people start, stay and succeed in sport. More information can be found on the website at www.sportengland.org.

Sustrans - Sustrans is a charity dedicated to promoting sustainable transport. Its vision is to help facilitate a world in which people can choose to travel in ways that benefit their health and the environment. For more information visit www.sustrans.org.uk.

Recycle For Cornwall - A campaign set up to raise public awareness of recycling and to provide consumers with reasons to recycle. For more information visit www.recycleforcornwall.org.uk.

Rezolve - A working group that delivers a number of practical projects, aimed to reduce waste and promote reuse and recycling. For more information email nicola@cornwall-waste-action.org.uk.

Royal Society for Protection Of Birds (RSPB) - A charity working to secure a healthy environment for birds and wildlife. For more information visit www.rspb.org.uk.

West Cornwall Community Network (WCCN) - A not-for-profit organisation supporting voluntary and community sector organisations in Penwith and Kerrier. WCCN provides services to the sector and the communities that it serves, and promotes the sector as an effective partner to the public and private sectors. For more information visit www.wccn.org.uk.

West Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership (WCRTTP)- The West Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership works with communities to develop ways of improving local people's access to employment, services and facilities. The Partnership aims to support and develop community transport and seeks to improve the availability of public transport information to help promote the integration of transport services. The partnership also targets the needs of isolated rural areas where accessibility problems are often exacerbated. The partnership can offer help and advice on needs assessment, project design and implementation, legal and technical information and funding sources. For more information visit www.westcornwallrtp.co.uk.

West Cornwall Together - A local strategic partnership that operates in Penwith and Kerrier. The aim of the partnership is to improve the quality of life and the sustainable prosperity of all the residents in West Cornwall. For more information visit www.penwith.gov.uk.



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