

TYWARDREATH & PAR PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



Community Engagement Strategy

Who is the community?

Our aim is to engage with all members of the community. We have based our approach on Cornwall Council's Neighbourhood Plan (NP) Toolkit guidance and the likely statistical representation of different groups within our community (Local Insight Report, January 2018). In addition, we have talked with representatives from local organisations such as Kernow Youth and Par Bay Community Trust about their perception of specific stakeholder presence within the community.

Our aim is to be as inclusive as possible and to offer opportunities for everyone in the parish to contribute and discuss their views. In the case of young adults (age 16-25 approximately), Kernow Youth is also carrying out consultation on our behalf; and part of the brief is to engage specifically with young adults who are less likely to engage with more traditional consultation events. To date those who have responded come from a cross-section of society. Some are in education or training placements, others are not in education or training (NEETs). Some are job seekers; some are unable to work due to disability, sickness or carer responsibilities. Some live in the settlements of Tywardreath and Par, some in the more rural locations including in Traveller accommodation. Ethnic background and/or heritage vary.

Apart from engaging with residents of the parish at large, we have also contacted or intend to contact a variety of groups specifically as part of the engagement process, including special interest groups e.g. in respect of Heritage and the Environment. All the groups in the table below have been invited to the Blue Green Workshop which is to be held at the end of July 2018.

Blue Green Workshop	Invitees
Stakeholder Group	Organisation/s + notes
Pre-school children and parents	Footsteps Childcare Centre Tywardreath Pre-school Playgroup
Schoolchildren (aged 5-16)	Tywardreath School (Headteacher, governors, Parent School Association) Tywardreath Village Show: prizes awarded Scouts, Guides Country Holidays for Inner City Kids (CHICKS)
Young people (aged 16 – 30)	Kernow Youth is carrying out Young Adult

	Consultation on our behalf e.g. surveys, discussion groups including via Cornwall College St Austell Scouts, Guides
Older Groups meeting in Parish	Age UK, Friendship Club
Young parents Single Parents	Kernow Youth Consultation
Individuals with physical needs	Kernow Youth Consultation Nursing and Residential Homes Mid-Cornwall Hub
Individuals with learning needs	Kernow Youth Consultation Nursing and Residential Homes Creative Workshop Mid-Cornwall Hub
Individuals with mental health needs	Kernow Youth Consultation Mind Restormel Local Memory cafes
Travellers and gypsies	Kernow Youth Consultation Traveller Space
Faith Groups	Local Churches and Methodist Chapels in Tywardreath and Par
Housing Associations	Devon and Cornwall Housing; Ocean Housing; Smartline
Community groups and societies	Friends of Par Beach Friends of St Andrew's Pond Wetland Reserve In Search of Tywardreath Old Cornwall Society Par Bay Community Trust PL24 Community Association Tywardreath Trotters Tywardreath WI
Voluntary and other bodies (including CIC and statutory) acting in the area Some of these groups support one or more of the specific stakeholder groups mentioned above.	Cornubia Hall Cornwall Rural Community Charity (CRCC) Cornwall Wildlife Trust: Your Shore Beach Rangers Eden Community Network Area Link Officer – St Blazey, Fowey & Lostwithiel, Neighbourhood Services, Cornwall Council Inclusion Cornwall Kernow Youth Mid-Cornwall Hub Par and St Blazey Community Flood Group Par Library Par Track Ltd. Patient Participation Groups (PPGs): Fowey River Practice and Middleway Surgery Police Restormel Ramblers St Austell Bay Resilient Regeneration (StARR) Project The Open Spaces Society The Sensory Trust
Local businesses and employers	Businesses with an interest in Health and Wellbeing and/or the Environment such as Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group (FWAG) and Imerys.

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At the time of writing, it has been decided not to seek specific engagement with adults who may identify with the following groups: Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) groups; Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender groups (LGBT); Migrant workers; Commuters (people living in the community but working outside), and religious faiths other than Christian. Rather than singling out individuals who may or may not associate or self-identify with these groups or any others, we will respond as appropriate, should anyone approach us with ideas or issues specific to them; and if appropriate, we will meet with others from the same stakeholder group if they wish.

How will we engage?

Our community engagement events are open to all and advertised widely throughout the community via:

- Tywardreath and Par Parish Council Website: <http://www.tywardreathandparparishcouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplan.php> on which periodic reports from the NP Steering Group are also posted for public information ;
- posters in the community e.g. on Parish notice-boards, in local shops and community venues such as in the GP surgery at Par Health Centre, at Cornubia Hall and on St Andrew's Church noticeboard in Tywardreath. Notices are also put up throughout the Parish at Par Beach, at St Andrew's Rd. Pond and Wetland Reserve and in more rural areas close to footpaths;
- print media e.g. mainly via PL24 the community magazine along with leaflets to individual households as required;
- social media e.g. on the NP Facebook page <https://en-gb.facebook.com/tywardreathparneighbourhoodplan/> and via the PL24 Facebook page.
- emails to those residents who subscribe to the NP update list and via Tywardreath School (primary level) which has an emailed newsletter for parents and carers of the children attending the school.
- There is also a Business and Employment website, specific to the parish, at: <https://highstoneconsultants.wixsite.com/tywardreathandpar> and 69 businesses have been emailed individually and their attention drawn to both the NP and the upcoming Business and Employer Survey.
- Other surveys (will) include: the Initial Survey (2017) delivered to individual households in the parish; the Young Adult Consultation (run by Kernow Youth); the Housing Need Survey (organised by Cornwall Council, Affordable Housing Team); and the Residents' Questionnaire which will go out to all households in the parish.
- Individuals have the opportunity to give and discuss their ideas face-to-face at community events such as: The Big Lunch; Par Carnival, Tywardreath Village Show; in drop-in sessions in venues such as the Library or in Cornubia Hall; or

when the SG collaborate with the Environment Agency and St Blaise NP area on events linked to the St Austell Resilient Regeneration (StARR) project. There have been and will continue to be occasional NP specific events where everyone is welcome to contribute and discuss their ideas e.g. the Blue Green Workshop. Children and young people have had and will have the opportunity to contribute their ideas via art, photography and other age appropriate activities.

- At the end of most communications, there are contact details so individuals can contact us for further information via phone, via the NP's dedicated email tywardreathandparnp@gmail.com or Facebook.

Ways in which we try to make the process accessible to all:

- by organising events in the two main settlements, Tywardreath and Par Village;
- by only using venues which are wheelchair accessible;
- by offering versions of printed material in larger font;
- by arranging for a hearing loop to be available for major events and checking whether individual invitees need to be catered for in any particular way before the event;
- enabling people to contribute their views in a variety of ways including notes on post-its, by putting sea-glass in buckets, by drawing rather than writing, by offering to write down their ideas if they wish etc. We also aim to ensure that all initial communication by letter is equivalent to a maximum reading age of 11 with an invitation to residents to contact us to discuss other ways of giving their views if they wish e.g. over the phone, via a meeting with an SG member in a mutually convenient time and venue including in their home if appropriate.

What is the statutory consultation period?

The statutory consultation period lasts 6 weeks and comes towards the end of the process. Once all the evidence is gathered and the draft NP is ready, it will go out to all the statutory bodies and interested stakeholders. We will also publicise and hold community consultation events in the parish, so residents have the opportunity to comment.