

“Gateway to Cornwall” – Community Planning & Housing Group

Health Sub-Group Report

Based on meeting on 10 Aug 04

Approximately 30 people attended a community event to discuss Health issues in the PL12 area of Saltash and surrounding villages. The notes below are responses to 3 questions posed during group discussions.

1. Are local health facilities in good condition and meeting demand?

- With the exception of NHS dentistry – generally OK
- Services for older children / adolescents is generally inadequate
- Satellite surgeries in villages are declining
- Surgery facilities not able to expand to meet increasing population

2. Is there any unmet demand for specific health provision?

- Unmet NHS dentistry needs – leading to a decline in dental health
- Lack of “drop-in” centres for mental health
- Lack of support for physically able but mentally challenged older people
- Insufficient mental health provision
- Inadequate confidential sexual health clinics / advice for young people
- Insufficient child-care training
- Insufficient support for those with MS
- Lack of volunteers for home support, e.g. for the elderly

3. How should health provision look in 5 – 10 years time? What should our priorities be?

- Better integration of health services
- Improved communication/information, including directory of health provision and services
- Access to centralised local health / support & advice
- Adequate NHS dental provision
- Improved and well equipped Saltash medical centre catering for PL12 area, (e.g. at St Barnabus), providing computer linked services to Derriford, e.g. for X-ray and MRI scanner analysis
- Provision of emergency contraception and pharmacy service, (e.g. at St Barnabus)
- Adequate transport from villages to Saltash medical centre, e.g. local “hospital car service” scheme
- Improved access to mental health services
- Improved access to sexual health services
- Youth Enquiry Service in Fore Street, e.g. linked to cafe
- Adequate support for the frail elderly including volunteer visitors
- Improved education on hygiene, parenting and diet / food preparation
- Provision of “healthy eating” cooking club

Other Items raised

- Need for indoor skate park
- Under 18s disco facility
- Sponsored activities for young people

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21st July 2004

Mrs Ursula Davey
Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme
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Dear Mrs Davey

As part of the Market and Coastal Towns Initiative a meeting is to be held at the Saltash Guildhall on Tuesday July 27th at 7.00 pm to consider the status, provision and needs of the sporting community in the Saltash and wider PL12 area.

As a sporting organisation or associate enterprise or as an individual linked to sport and leisure i.e. Council Officer or local and District Councillor you are kindly invited to be represented at this event. The invitation also extends to parishes in the PL12 district that wish to have an input. We would especially welcome those from the parishes who have been involved with the provision of sporting facilities via their parish plans.

The meeting will open with a brief outline as to aims of the MCTi prior to a wider discussion about the issues involved. The meeting will finish at approximately 9 pm and will be followed by an opportunity to socialize and network over a glass of wine. To help us get an idea of numbers for the catering, please let me know if you can come.

Yours sincerely

John Evans
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21st October 2004

Ms Susan Haley
Saltash Rangers
74 Callington Rd

Saltash
PL12 6DY

Dear Ms Haley

Please find attached a short questionnaire about parish amenities and other items of interest. Could you please provide me with as many of the answers as possible relating to your parish, ideally within the next 3 weeks.

As you are no doubt aware the initiative has now been running for some 4 months since the launch in June 2004, and is being supported by representatives from Saltash, most of the surrounding parishes and Caradon District Council. A good deal of successful work has been achieved by small groups in establishing a baseline of where we are now, and in obtaining views of where we want to be in 10 – 15 years time. The initiative is following the guidelines provided by the Countryside Agency and is funded by SWRDA.

All the collected information will be brought together in the next few weeks after which a wider public consultation event will be held prior to the next stage which will be to produce a Strategic Community Plan for our area which is essentially the area covered by the PL12 postcode..

Your co-operation is very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely

John Evans
Community Agent

Market and Coastal Towns Initiative

As part of the Market and Coastal Towns Initiative the Sport and Leisure Theme Group are trying to collate some information relating to the parishes. It will help us considerably if you could kindly answer a few simple questions.

ALLOTMENTS

1. Are there any allotments in the Parish?
2. If so how many and who allocates them?
3. Is there currently a waiting list and if so approximate numbers?
4. Does the Parish Council feel there is a need for more allotments in the area and if so where?

RECREATION GROUNDS/PLAYGROUNDS

1. Is there a recreation ground and/or playground in the Parish?
2. If so where? Please could you give the approx size if known and who maintains it? Is it well maintained and adequate for the needs of the Parish?
3. If there is no recreation ground /playground – would the Parish like one and if so have they any sites in mind?

VILLAGE GREEN/LOCAL: NATURE RESERVE

1. Is there a village Green in the parish? If so where ?
2. Are there any local nature reserves – or have you identified any areas which would be ideal and the Parish would like to pursue this?

ANNUAL EVENTS

1. Are there annual events such as carnivals / flower shows / gymkhanas etc held in the Parish – please could you give the month when these are held?

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES IN THE PARISH

1. Are there any clubs or societies in the parish i.e. Youth clubs, play groups, sports clubs, gardening clubs, etc? If so please could you list them with any contact details you may have.

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July 2004

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The meeting will open with a brief outline as to aims of the MCTi mentioned above prior to a wider discussion as to issues involved.

We do hope you can come and would welcome confirmation of this at an early opportunity.

Larger groups are kindly asked to limit their representation to not more than two.

In the meantime we look forward to seeing you and to an informative evening.

Yours sincerely

John Evans
Community Agent

“Gateway to Cornwall” – Community Planning & Housing Group Sport and Leisure Sub-Group Report

Based on meeting on 27 Jul 04

Approximately 25 people attended a community event to discuss Sport and Leisure provision and issues in the PL12 area of Saltash and surrounding villages. The notes below are responses to 3 questions posed during group discussions.

1. Are local sports facilities in good condition and in demand?

- All local open air sports facilities and equipment in poor state of repair – high demand
- Leisure Centre in good condition – high demand
- Pool not suitable for swimming competitions
- Inadequate indoor sports facilities and insufficient storage areas available
- Salt Mill Park incomplete (all weather pitch) – considered to be inadequately supervised to prevent vandalism and bullying

2. Is there any unmet need / demand for specific sport / leisure facilities?

- Demand for all-weather sports grounds / facilities not met
- Demand for adequate indoor sports facilities not met, e.g. indoor tennis, martial arts (including Judo Dojo 5m x 8m area) etc.
- Demand for affordable all-year round indoor sports facilities not met
- Need for Phase 2 of existing Leisure Centre (includes 30m x 18 m area)
- Need for increased funding / support from CDC for essential maintenance of existing facilities.
- Existing youth centres under-funded for essential maintenance
- Too few youth work volunteers to meet demand
- Need for PL12 central register of sports clubs & leisure groups to improve access and co-ordination

3. How should sport and leisure look in the local area in 5 – 10 years time? What should our priorities for development be?

- Facilities should be affordable and cater for all ages, noting there is an increasing proportion of older people seeking sports and leisure facilities.
- High priority for an integrated sports facility equipped for a wide variety of sport to cater for PL12 area
- Realise potential for centre of excellence for martial arts
- High priority for enhanced safe water sports facilities, e.g. additional pontoons etc.
- Realise potential for using existing facilities year round, e.g. schools & college sports halls
- CDC should give higher priority to financing sport and leisure
- Youth centres to be improved /enhanced to provide adequate facilities
- Improved communication between existing clubs to make better use of existing facilities.

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20th September 2004

Ms P Pengelly

Hillcrest

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Dear Ms Pengelly

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As a member of an organisation, or as an individual, a Council Officer or local or District Councillor you are kindly invited to this event. The invitation extends to all in the PL12 area that wish to have an input. We would especially welcome representatives from the PL12 parishes particularly those who have been involved with input to their parish plans.

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20th September 2004

Mrs Betty Westlake
Manor Park
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PL12 4BD

Dear Mrs Westlake

The next meeting of the "Gateway to Cornwall" community planning and housing sub-group is at the Saltash Guildhall on Thursday 30th September at 7.00 pm and will consider community safety and crime issues in the Saltash and PL12 parishes area.

The invitation is being sent to representatives of the police, fire service, neighbourhood watch co-ordinators, Chamber of Commerce, youth groups and other organisations. The meeting will follow a similar format to that used at earlier meetings of the community group.

If you know of anyone who should be invited please let me know or ask them to come. I would be grateful if you could confirm your attendance preferably by e-mail or phone message so that we have a feel for numbers.

Yours sincerely

John Evans
Community Agent

Market and coastal Towns initiative

Format for Community safety theme meeting

Time	Task	Who responsible	Resources	Additional comments
19.00	Welcome + introduction to meeting format	JG	Forms/labels	Introduction of register Labels for participants Style of evening participatory not a lot of talking at you Start of a process – we will be taking stock at end of evening Introduce main segments of meeting
19.10	Short explanation of MCTi initiative – the big picture	John Evans		N.B. ensure reference to PL12 area (handout for participants to take away)
19.20	Introductions What the evening is about? What the evening not about? Introduction to “ice box”	JG	Post it notes	Evening about , generating debate, discussion ideas about crime and community safety and how it should develop over the next 10 years to enhance the quality of life for people in the PL12 area Evening not about Individual complaints/ individual questions (e.g why not have a bye law about drinking in Fore Street?) However your experiences which shape your views do matter to us, Making decisions on priorities although generating ideas about priorities should be a key focus. Community safety about crime, but also about anti social behaviour and could include pollution/enviro problems. Do not feel you have to approach this topic narrowly. Participants to be responsible for ice box recording on post it notes

19.25	Attendees introduce themselves	JG to lead	KH to take notes	<p>If large group of people ditch fairy godmother</p> <p>Prompt questions written on flip chart</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduce oneself 2. State if representing self or from a particular organisation/group? 3. Fairy god mother <p>If a fairy godmother granted you one wish in relation to community safety - what would you wish for? (Maximum of 5 mins per participant)</p>
Time dependent upon nos of participants	<p>Presentation on crime audit</p> <p>Brief presentation on issues</p>	KH/ Police		Opportunity for Police to add to information
Time dependent upon nos of participants (allow 30 mins for small groups)	<p>Introduction of small group work</p>	JG	<p>Gp facilitators to record key points from gps on note pads</p> <p>K Halsey Jenny J Julian John</p> <p>Questionnaire prepared by Keith</p>	<p>Split participants into small groups use 1,2,3 method</p> <p>N.B. try to ensure Parishes are represented in each group – perhaps keep them separate when assigning people to groups and add them in after(?)</p> <p>Small groups dependent on size of meeting No more than 10 in group, no less than 5.</p> <p>Key questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What particularly struck you about the info on the crime audit? What matched your views – what did not? 2. What for you are the current issues which need to be focussed on in relation to community safety and crime? (e.g. fear of crime, vandalism) 3. What should our priorities for development be in relation to community safety and crime matters over the next ten years? <p>N.B. instruction to all groups - keep in mind the differences between parishes and urban area</p>

?	Feedback from groups	KH to lead	JG to record key points	1 key point for each question from each group. Recorded on flip chart
?	Themes arising/ Areas for further work	KH to lead		KH to initially summarise Ask group to identify other themes
	What can I do to help to move this process on?	JG	Answers on forms given out at beginning	Self reflection exercise Each individual given a piece of paper – asked to put their name on it and one thing they can do to move forward this process (e.g. talk to others and feedback).
	Final comments on evening/process Info on any future events	All John E		Any immediate feedback? Handout on next events to be prepared e.g. dates for other theme groups
21.00 if possible	Wine and wind down			

CRIME AUDIT 2004

Resident's Survey

13 responses - all in PL12 area – completed on 30 Sep 04
(MCTi Community Group Safety Event in the Guildhall, Saltash)

Crime Problem	Please tick (1=low, 10=high)									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Anti Social Behaviour				2	1	1			2	7
Domestic Violence	1		1		1			1	1	2
Drugs & Alcohol	2				1	1				9
Hate Crime - Racism & Homophobia	2		2	1				1	1	3
Violence	1	1	1		2		1			5
Young People as Victims and Offenders			1		1	2				8
Arson, Domestic Burglary and Vehicle Crime		1	1		1	2		1	1	5

Are there any other crime or community safety problems that should be tackled? Please describe briefly below:

(5 of 13 responses with written comments as below)

- Vandalism
- Skateboarders, bicycles on pavements especially at night and with no lights. Verbal abuse to normal citizens as they move about. Vandalism.
- Issues relating to Devonport Dockyard/ Nuclear / Terrorism. No community safety plan for Saltash.
- Vandalism to property. Skateboarding in Church Road and Fore Street.
- I think a pretty good job is being done already. More visible presence of Police or Officials

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Community Safety Event - 30 Sep 04

Comments / concerns (as registered on feedback forms at the meeting):

- Delighted with response from Neighbourhood Watch. It proves it can work and what co-ordinators are achieving in their areas. There used to be an old adage that said it took a village to raise a child. Because of the compensation culture it seems people are too afraid to get involved.
- Crime figures as presented mean nothing to the lay person if you cannot get in touch with local Police Station.
- Need disabled parking in Fore Street.
- Sale of alcohol to underage people
- Anti-social behaviour
- Damage to children’s area in Longstone Park – also in surrounding area, bowls pavilion and green. Suggest additional lighting in the area, also a surveillance camera which might deter further crime especially in the evenings
- SWRA would like to see residents and community groups established across Saltash – people “looking after each other”, reporting problems, celebrating success etc. is the key to community safety. SWRA can help and advise any community that wants to set up a group.
- It seems most of this is already going on. Money could be better spent.

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Community Safety Sub-Group Report

Based on meeting on 30 Sep 04

32 people (out of approx 200 people invited) attended a community event to discuss Community Safety issues in the PL12 area of Saltash and surrounding villages. The notes below are responses to 3 questions posed during group discussions, and concludes with a summary of individuals’ “wish lists”

1. Relating to the Crime Audit for Saltash, what matched your views, and what did not?

- Does not reflect frequent disregard of public safety by young skateboarders and cyclists
- Does not appear to reflect anti-social behaviour or public nuisance particularly by teenagers
- Need to recognise anti-social behaviour extends across all age groups, e.g. inconsiderate parking, throwing litter from cars etc.
- Gratified to see crime rates are relatively low compared with national statistics
- Recognition that excess alcohol is a root cause of many crimes
- Recognition that alcohol is a bigger problem than drugs in this area
- Recognition that a small core of people cause most problems

2. What are the current issues?

- High levels of petty vandalism and disturbances
- Intimidating behaviour by gangs of teenagers and some individuals towards the elderly, e.g. on bicycles or skateboards,
- Too little positive parental involvement with kids
- Lack of engagement of the Criminal Justice system with young people and parents
- Lack of confidence in police response to an incident
- Too many people turning a blind eye rather than challenging anti-social behaviour

3. What should the priorities for development be over the next 10 years?

- Improved education of parents and children about community responsibilities
- Better Criminal Justice system to ensure more meaningful response
- Encourage use of Community Police Support Officers on the beat
- Encourage increased visibility of police
- Ensuring Neighbourhood Watch system is effective and supported
- Increased community effort to reduce anti-social behaviour
- Improved support to victims of crime
- Increase opportunities for youth projects, encourage more adult volunteers to get involved
- Banning drinking of alcohol in public places
- Extended pub licensing hours to be linked with later bus and public transport services to prevent increased public nuisance

- Introduction of Environmental Wardens to report on vandalism, e.g. graffiti, damage to hedges, illegal dumping of waste etc.
- Fore St in Saltash is “gray and depressing”. Urgent review required by the Town Council to revitalise the area by improving shop tenant uptake, establishing a good mix of shops and eating places, and develop area to increase its attractiveness to all ages. (Comment – derelict surroundings attract derelict people)
- Community needs to have a voice and to be more involved, e.g. by setting up youth and other forums etc. to seek feedback on community issues
- Shops need to be accessible to people with disabilities
- Need more car parking for people with disabilities close to shops
- Ensure Saltash Police Station remains a manned station
- Ensure area emergency plans remain effective, e.g. for a nuclear accident in the dockyard etc.

Wish List

- Introduce Environmental Wardens
- Improve and care for the environment
- Improve human relationships, encourage neighbourliness, increase tolerance between young and old
- Keep Saltash and surrounding areas crime rate low
- See Saltash gain recognition as best town in Cornwall
- Give young people a fair chance and ensure they are not blamed for all anti-social problems
- Jubilee Pontoon at Saltash to be better managed to prevent visiting yachts out-staying their welcome
- Keep Saltash as separate entity from Plymouth
- Stop skateboarding on pavements
- Introduce a play area at Lee Way

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MCTi – Feedback from Community Planning and Housing Group

We have considered the work sheets and assigned responsibilities for undertaking preliminary fact finding and research within the urban and rural parts of the PL12 area.

We have agreed a timetable of meetings to consider each of the topic areas identified by the healthcheck forms.

13th July - Population (S1) - Brian Carter to present the answers/findings to the core questions, followed by a cross-group progress check of initial fact finding/research to date.

27th July - Sports & Leisure and Open Spaces (S5) - Bill Ryan to present the answers/findings to the core questions (with support from Ray Feltham and Nick Soper), followed by general discussion on where we are now, what is lacking and where we would like to be.

Suggested actions: - Invite reps. from Parishes; all sports clubs etc; possibly college and community school; junior schools; youth reps; Caradon especially with regard to the Leisure centre and Saltmill; sports action zone; gig club; regatta; sailing club; china fleet; interested residents etc.

10th August – Health (part of S3) – Jenny Jeffries to present the answers/findings to the core questions (with support since volunteered by Sharon Soper), followed by general discussion on where we are now, what is lacking and where we would like to be.

Suggested actions: - Invite reps. from Parishes; doctors etc. surgeries, ambulance trust, St Johns, dentists, opticians, health visitors, alternative therapists, health action zones etc, mental health, youth reps, Primary Health Care Trust, Social Services, St Anne's and other care homes etc

24th August – Housing (S2) – Arthur Hearl to present the answers/findings to the core questions (with support from Pip Miller, Betty (Manor Park Residents) and, Hugo Contreras), followed by general discussion on where we are now, what is lacking and where we would like to be.

Suggested actions: - Invite reps. from Parishes, housing associations, Cornwall rural community council, Caradon (housing officers, affordable housing, planning), tenants and residents associations, youth reps. etc.

7th September – Crime and Public safety (part of S3) – Keith Halsey to present the answers/findings to the core questions, followed by general discussion on where we are now, what is lacking and where we would like to be.

Suggested actions: - Invite reps. from Parishes, Police, Fire Service, and Neighbourhood watch groups, youth reps. etc.

Group Leaders Forum 16 October 2004

Community Planning, Health & Housing Group – Interim report

Purpose of report

To update on progress so far and outline initial main findings

Health checks

Virtually complete with particular thanks to Brian and Steph

- Population
- Housing
- Health and public safety
- Local Government & Community organisations
- Sport leisure and open spaces

Parish plans – viewed Pillaton, St Dominick plans. Landrake contacted but were a little reserved and no sharing of info as yet.

Held a number of consultation events

Sports and leisure - 25 people attended

Health - 30 people attended

Housing - 12 people attended

Community safety - 32 people attended out of 200 invited

Weaknesses in methodology

Not connected with the Parishes

Not linked significantly with outskirts estates of Saltash

Not involved young people directly

Lack of consultation on open spaces

Emerging themes

Population

Total pop of PL12 at 2001 20734 Saltash 14964 - 72% of pop live in Saltash
28% in the PL12 hinterland

%age of people of retirement age slightly above national average and
guessed that this is likely to rise

%age of people under 16 slightly below NA

%age of people employed in prof & managerial jobs (16-74) slightly below NA

%age of people in manual & semi skilled jobs slightly above NA

%age of props occupied by pensioners living alone close to NA (14.5%)

pop increases from 81 – 2001
Landrake St Dom up 19%
St Germans up 60%
Saltash up 15%

Housing – the conversation was dominated by the lack of affordable housing for local people. This particularly related to younger people and families. The Pillaton parish plan contained support for affordable starter homes in the Parish. There was also reference to the housing needs of older people (extra care) being catered for.

Geoff Rowton from Caradon Planning Department joined the meeting and explained some of the planning rules.

Some concern about the restrictions on affordable housing and a recognition that the Town and perhaps the area had to allow growth to maintain a stream of such housing stock

The regional spatial strategy will replace the area structure plan in 2006 and this latter tool is regarded as largely defunct. Some momentum for undertaking a local needs survey within Caradon to improve the quality of info and assumptions.

Health

Biggest areas of perceived deficit were

Sexual health and teenage pregnancy

Lack of dentistry

Provision for mental ill health – cognitive decline/dementia, dealing with depression/isolation and exclusion

Focus on prevention rather than cure – not seeking specialist facilities

Focus on healthy living tackling obesity, mental activity, reducing isolation

Maintaining networks/helping support

Perceived deficit in information directory resources

Community safety

Area not viewed as having high incidence of crime

No particularly prevalent view of the fear of crime

Main problems seen as anti social and intimidating behaviour in pockets – petty vandalism, nuisance, disturbance

Excess alcohol viewed as root cause and perceived bigger problem than drugs

Push for more visible policing but also community self help, challenging rather than turning a blind eye, more effective neighbourhood watches
Managing and banning public drinking

Sports & leisure

3 main areas watersports, outdoor and indoor

Generally perceived thriving interest in local sports/leisure activities
Outdoor facilities seen as poorly maintained and insufficient for demand in some cases
Limited indoor facilities
Lack of supportive funding to clubs/groups operating on good will/commitment with shoe string funds
Lack of access to school facilities all year round

Perceived need for a voice/forum to aid focus, collaboration

Perceived fabulous natural water sports potential

Inadequate link up with private sector
Inadequate link up with schools

Not enough focus on open space

More available local information on opps and access

The important aspects for the future

Focus on community cohesion & inclusion across the PL12 area
Employment, economic and housing opportunities

Towards a vision for the PL12 area – some components

A vibrant town centre meeting the needs of the town and hinterland – with larger units and facilities. A place to shop and relax which will appeal to a wider cross section of the pop, particularly on weekend nights

Develop and maximise the riverside potential

A community renown for cohesion and inclusion preparing for its elderly population and providing diverse opportunities for its youngsters

A community which thrives on activity and learning centred around schools as learning resource centres

Potential quick wins for the initiative

Improved info and networking web based central register of support groups across PL12 area

Development of access and use of primary school facilities for sport and leisure

A sport clubs forum/network

Influence capital planning in relation to sports, recreation and leisure

Reaching out through the initiative

Focus again on the parishes/hinterland through different approaches

Involving the business community

Directly linking with young people

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Saltash MCTi

Community planning, Health, and Housing theme group

Purpose of paper

The group was asked to identify important visionary social and economic regenerative opportunities for the initiative. The following is a summary of the group's thinking so far.

Towards a vision for Saltash in 2025

Key component 1

A Town committed to expansion and sensitive whole community planning

Saltash must expand in order to survive and prosper.

This is vital if the town is to

- Retain a viable and regenerated town centre
- Develop housing opportunities which are relevant to the population, including a proportion of affordable and smaller units
- Benefit from its strategic proximity to Plymouth but retain its identity and capacity to be distinctly different from the City

Regenerational opportunity

- A feasibility study to examine the sensitive development for Broadmoor Farm for employment, services and residential housing alongside the regeneration of the Town centre and possibility of the relocation of the major educational institutions

The essence must be to create an holistic blue print for the Town as opposed to piecemeal development which considers green spaces and opportunities for housing in fill

The regional spatial strategy is a key driver here.

Key component 2

The maximization of the Riverside potential with sensitive development which enhances tourism, water sport and leisure opportunities

The proximity to an outstanding area of beauty with the likely continued contraction of Defence functions and requirements offers new opportunities.

Regenerational opportunities

- The establishment of a group – with public and commercial representatives - committed to plan for the development of the Tamar preserving its natural beauty but recognising the economic and employment opportunities
- Proactively preparing to provide facilities for watersports in the event of a successful 2012 London Olympic bid – any facilities (accommodation and facilities) would be retained for local ongoing use
- Developing links with the Tamar Valley MCTi to ensure consensus and positive collaboration to the mutual benefit of the area

Key component 3

A town committed to cohesion and inclusion with its inhabitants and the surrounding hinterland which

- Ensures Saltash caters for the requirements of the Town and surrounding Parishes
- Improves the viability of Saltash as it proactively extends its “customer base”
- Influences the development of community facilities and supports
- Strengthens the Town’s understanding of social exclusion and hidden social need

Regenerational opportunities

- Setting up and maintaining through the Saltash Community school facility, **Saltash.net**, a web based information network which provides information on community resources for health, well being, sport and leisure activity within the PL12 area which also opens up interactive notice boards which capture views and information about unmet need, unavailable services and highlights issues for the socially excluded and hard to reach groups
- Developing the political links between elected Saltash and hinterland representatives
- Development of welcome packs – distributed through estate agents - for all new comers to the PL12 area
- Development of “foyer” scheme – housing and associated support to young people

Key component 4

A Town where its commitment to health and well being is demonstrated through the range of healthy available opportunities for all ages and the promotion of schools as learning resource centres for the whole community

Regenerational opportunities

- Influencing changes and developments in relation to Health provision and access to Health facilities e.g. St Barnabus
- Strengthening PL12 representation on the Healthy Living Forum
- The development of a multi agency healthy living centre
- Improving access to resources and supports to people with mental health difficulties
- Improving access and support to advice on sexual health for young people
- The development of an area wide sports/ leisure forum which focuses on opportunities for collaboration and development
- Opening up access to school facilities all year round for sport activities
- Engaging with the two major educational institutions to focus on long term planning priorities

Saltash MCTi
Community planning, Health, and Housing theme group

Purpose of paper

The group was asked to identify key social and economic regeneration opportunities for the initiative. The following is a summary of the group's thinking so far.

Towards a vision for Saltash in 2025

Key component 1

A Town committed to expansion and sensitive whole community planning

Like many communities in Cornwall, Saltash is under pressure to expand. This pressure cannot be resisted, but it can and should be managed. Saltash has suffered from ill-considered and ad hoc expansion in the past. We need to create an holistic blue print for the Town as opposed to piece meal development ,

We recognise that Saltash must expand in order to survive and prosper.

This is vital if the town is to

- Retain a viable and regenerated town centre
- Develop housing opportunities which are relevant to the population, including a proportion of affordable and smaller units appropriate for an aging population, a retirement village (?)
- Develop a range of local employment opportunities including industry and office provision
- Benefit from its strategic proximity to Plymouth but retain its identity and capacity to be distinctly different from the City

Regenerational opportunities

- Development of the Broadmoor Farm site as a Community Campus

Offering purpose built multi-sports provision, Community School, Community College, and associated support facilities including residential block/Foyer provision, youth advisory and other multi-agency centre. With associated 'high-tech' industrial and office provision plus business support centre.

Funded in part by utilisation of existing school and college and some sports sites for housing development, including provision of affordable housing.

Timeframe: in place by 2012

First step: A feasibility study to examine use of Broadmoor Farm for this purpose within the context of the emerging regional spatial strategy .

- **Sensitive development of the Waterside and other riverside areas to enhance tourism, water sport and leisure opportunities**

The proximity to an outstanding area of beauty with the likely continued contraction of Defence functions and requirements offers new opportunities.

Time frame: by 2012

First steps: The establishment of a group – with public and commercial representatives -committed to plan for the local development focussed on the Tamar

Development of plans for facilities for watersports with an eye to a successful 2012 London/Paris Olympic bid – any facilities (accommodation and facilities) would be retained for local ongoing use

Developing links with the Tamar Valley MCTi to ensure consensus and positive collaboration to the mutual benefit of the area

- **redevelopment of Fore St area**

with provision for larger retail units and a variety of housing options, and parking

Key component 2

A town that aims to include everyone

- Ensures Saltash as a service centre caters for the requirements of the Town and surrounding Parishes
- Improves the viability of Saltash as it develops its “customer base” to include users from Plymouth
- Influences the development of community facilities and services
- Strengthens the Town’s understanding of social exclusion and hidden social need

Regenerational opportunities

- Setting up and maintaining through the Saltash Community school facility, **Saltash.net**, a web based information network which provides information on community resources for health, well being, sport and leisure activity within the PL12 area. Which also opens up interactive notice boards which capture views and information about unmet need, unavailable services and highlights issues for the socially excluded and hard to reach groups
- Developing and strengthening the political links between elected Saltash and hinterland representatives
- Development of welcome packs – distributed through estate agents - for all new comers to the PL12 area
- Development of “foyer” scheme – housing and associated support to young people

- Development of affordable housing initiatives via public or private sector

Key component 3

A Town committed to well being for all ages

Regenerational opportunities

- Influencing changes and developments in relation to Health provision and access to Health facilities e.g. St Barnabus & GP surgeries
- Contact and collaboration with Director for public health
- Strengthening PL12 representation on the Healthy Living Forum
- The development of a multi agency healthy living centre
- Improving access to resources and supports to people with mental health difficulties
- Improved NHS dental provision
- Improving access and support to advice on sexual health for young people
- The development of an area wide sports/ leisure forum which focuses on opportunities for collaboration and development
- Opening up access to school facilities all year round for sport activities
- Engaging with the two major educational institutions to focus on long term planning priorities

Notes from Afternoon Session at MCTi Youth Workshop

General comments and concerns raised by delegates

How can MCTi towns link young people?

You need to turn the issue around and ask children/youth what do they want, what can the you do to help them and how can you achieve it. Remember youth are our future.

MCTi is a plan base?

Talk to children, plan the children in.

We can plan and consult but who pays for it. Need help with brokering table?

Ethos for day is involving community representation.

MCTi approach still cloudy as the goalposts change but there is no funding available yet – why. Youth is under funded and villages know what they want.

Youth work lacks one-stop or co-ordination. Where do you go. Would aid MCTi towns if there was a co-ordinator.

National Youth Agency could help.

Need to lobby district councillors to promote youth issues, etc.

PC Dave Watkins can assist with some aspects of youth issues.

There is no local contact for youth.

There is a Skateboard Strategy available at Penwith and Caradon. Possibly need a checklist. The Youth Service Plan for 2004-6 is currently available which may help.

The problem with funding is the slow turn around. Need a funder specialist who can help advise which funds would support which project.

District Councils and Cornwall Enterprise have Funderfinder which may identify some suitable funding. Officers are available to come and talk to groups from District Councils, Community Projects Trust, Cornwall Rural Community Council about funding is this would help.

The under funding of youth projects is very important. What can we do?

We need to keep lobbying and voicing your issues and concerns.

The Cornwall County Council Youth Budget was cut so some services cannot be funded and have been reduced. Need to lobby Councillors and MPs.

The Education Budget is never cut because of political pressure but the Youth Budget always suffers.

You need to learn from visiting other projects. Caradon have commissioned a 'wheeled' sports strategy which identified sand can reduce noise pollution. Problem of disparity when contacting District Councils when asking for information about a particular issue eg skateboard as various officers could offer assistance. Drawing up a checklist to aid and check current resources being used properly.

Noise pollution complaint prevented a project being completed.

Well used skateboard park received complaints about noise pollution. Commissioned someone for £1,000 to prevent this problem by using foam but this didn't work.

Need to make allowances for weather eg wind as this can cause noise pollution. Need to think of the noise prior to project beginning as if a project is stopped after lots of work it can be demoralizing to the organizing group and community

Do any skate parks have problems with motorbikes?

At Caradon where this problem did occur they consulted the community and used peer pressure to stop the problem.

Need to keep momentum for youth projects going. Currently there is one mobile skate park to tour the district and two thank you events to help with community morale.

Kerrier and Penwith have a very good Youth Forum which Tatia Mitchell co-ordinates. Tatia would be happy to work with other groups.

Jane Walker, local Youth Representative, is funded until August, and may be able to aid local groups.

**“GATEWAY TO CORNWALL” – Saltash and Surrounding Parishes MCTi
(Botusfleming / Landrake / Landulph / Pillaton / St Germans / St Mellion)**

COMMUNITY PLANNING, HEALTH & HOUSING - SWOT SUMMARY (updated 3 Feb 05)

Topic	Strengths	Weakness	Opportunities	Threats
Population	<p>Sizable population – urban hub of Saltash, could support major retailers</p> <p>An area growing in popularity 25% of Caradon pop live in PL12 area</p> <p>Closeness to Plymouth but a different environment Attractive location for people working in Plymouth</p> <p>Reasonably balanced age mix of population</p> <p>No significant levels of poverty</p> <p>Homogenous – no great areas of very poor or very rich</p> <p>Population growth in villages can support the development of local services</p>	<p>Limited connections with hinterland parishes</p> <p>Area does not have coherent identity</p> <p>The averageness of the area – few opportunities to attract special funding/attention</p> <p>Proximity to Plymouth can mean the area is ignored/overlooked for attention</p> <p>Reducing trend in community cohesion/neighbourly activities</p> <p>Dormitory area for Plymouth</p> <p>Lack of parish plans in St Germans, Landrake, and Botus Fleming</p> <p>Lack of clarity about how population trends will develop in next 20 years</p> <p>Little knowledge of the hidden socially excluded parts of the population (CAB advice?)</p>	<p>A real chance to build connections across the area</p> <p>The increasing elderly population potentially may bring more disposable income and more time to give</p> <p>Potentially a continuing population growth area</p> <p>2 large education establishments – Community School and FE College – which could be used to develop area identity with wider catchment and commitment to develop common links</p> <p>More FE + HE opportunities may encourage young people to stay locally rather than move</p> <p>Proximity to Plymouth’s economy</p> <p>Local Health Trust with responsibility for commissioning future health care</p> <p>Work with Caradon District Council and Plymouth City Council on development proposals for Regional Spatial Strategy</p> <p>Capitalise on outcome of Regional Spatial Strategy recommendations</p> <p>Identify infrastructure improvements required and work with Caradon District Council and others to implement</p>	<p>Lack of identity with hinterland could dissipate effort</p> <p>Proximity to Plymouth</p> <p>Insufficient preparation to population profile could stretch resources/services</p> <p>Liskeard perceived to get “lions share” of funding</p> <p>Population growth (or drop in household size)</p> <p>Aging population and growing popularity as retirement area</p>

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Housing	<p>Growing popularity and housing stock increasing in value</p> <p>Varied housing stock from starter homes to detached + mix of owner occupied and rented stock</p> <p>Vast majority of stock in good condition</p> <p>Homelessness levels are insignificant</p> <p>CDC Supported Housing Service has responsibility for the sheltered housing stock</p> <p>Network of travelling wardens for supported housing</p> <p>No significant issue about 2nd home ownership (?) (census check required)</p> <p>Older stock/poorer households within walking distance of Town Centre</p>	<p>Housing needs survey out of date and based on poor planning assumptions</p> <p>Lack of affordable housing for local population, particularly in hinterland</p> <p>Lack of rented accommodation</p> <p>Lack of small properties (1 bed flats)</p> <p>No experience of local development/co-op/self management</p> <p>Friction between GOSW & Caradon + lack of open communication with tenants groups</p> <p>Shortage of "retirement" homes with a secure environment</p> <p>Unclear what the strategy is for socially excluded</p> <p>How fit for future purpose is the sheltered housing?</p>	<p>Opportunity to influence new planning approach – the regional spatial strategy</p> <p>Emphasis on sustainability</p> <p>"Ready made" homes</p> <p>Receipt of 2nd home council tax</p>	<p>Limited planning opportunities for new building</p> <p>Restrictive development for growing population</p> <p>Cornwall becoming more fashionable leads to more "incomers" moving to PL12 (trend)</p> <p>Early retirees /retirees increasing aging trend</p>
Crime & Community Safety	<p>Overall crime levels are low in PL12 in key areas of burglary, car crime and violence as confirmed by the Crime and Disorder Audit 2004.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Watch schemes exist in a range of areas and are supported by the Police Community Messaging System.</p> <p>Residents have not reported significant fear of crime issues in any part of PL12.</p> <p>Saltash has CCTV in Fore Street and a Community Support Officer.</p> <p>No significant 'liveability' or fear of crime triggers identified e.g. piles of rubbish/litter, abandoned vehicles, graffiti etc.</p>	<p>Fewer Police to cover large geographical area containing isolated villages, houses and in town.</p> <p>Some villages report anti-social behaviour by young people with little alternative activities available to them.</p> <p>Some of this alcohol related.</p> <p>Proximity to Plymouth may increase vulnerability to 'commuting' offenders from the City.</p> <p>Businesses on industrial estates reported anti-social behaviour and damage by some young people.</p> <p>No evening/night surveillance.</p>	<p>Community interest and support to maintain good level of Community Safety.</p> <p>Engagement of Youth Service/Sports Clubs to work positively with young people.</p> <p>Proposals to engage with parents of anti-social behaviour people through a multi-agency approval.</p> <p>Consideration of use of Anti-Social Behaviour Legislation e.g. ASB Orders, Dispersal Order Zones and Alcohol Free Zones.</p>	<p>Increase in alcohol misuse nationally but especially in Fore Street on Fridays and Saturday nights.</p> <p>Increased use of alcohol by under 18's in parks etc with associated anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>Community not engaging on Community Safety issues.</p>

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Local Government & Community Organisations	<p>Reasonably large number of active organisations in some parts of area – e.g. Saltash, St Germans</p> <p>Numbers of officers employed by Caradon for partnership work Saltash Town council working at participation with population and greater transparency in decisionmaking</p> <p>Active tenants forum in Caradon</p> <p>Healthy neighbourhood watch network</p> <p>Some examples of successful resident groups e.g. Saltash Waterside Residents Assoc</p>	<p>Limited tradition of Saltash and hinterland operating together</p> <p>Many people in area not affiliated or participating in community groups/activity</p> <p>Previous planning initiatives have not all led to positive action, e.g. “disengagement” of residents of new estates</p> <p>Lack of coordination between community organisations</p> <p>No tradition of Parish Councils & Saltash Town Council working together</p> <p>Limited and difficult to access information on community groups – lack of accessible, up to date communication network</p> <p>No specific Caradon officer with role of coordinating or building capacity for community involvement</p> <p>Perception that Cornwall CC is remote and disinterested</p>	<p>Opportunity to build connections and new links across the area</p> <p>MCTi process provides an opportunity to influence planning</p> <p>“Cloning” successful groups</p> <p>“Welcome” pack for new estates</p> <p>Community School taking on network role</p> <p>Opportunities for youth connections across the PL12 area</p>	<p>Antagonism/ wariness in some parishes to Saltash overtures</p> <p>Sale of church land/disengagement of churches in local communities</p> <p>“Democratic deficit” – apathy & lack of true representation</p> <p>Constant local government reorganisation or threat of reorganisation</p> <p>Dwindling number of annual events/ community organisations especially in parishes</p>

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Health	<p>Local Primary Care Trust has responsibility for commissioning health services for local area</p> <p>There appears to be an adequate level of GPs and primary care services for the area</p> <p>Main General Hospital with specialist services on a direct bus route from Saltash</p> <p>Mortality rates for the PL12 area are below the national average</p> <p>Resources becoming available in local area to support NSFs (e.g. stroke, falls service, CHD)</p> <p>New investment in a proactive approach for the maintenance of sound health for local population</p> <p>A Healthy Living forum for the area exists</p> <p>Initiatives taking place in Saltash to improve health focus and support on new housing estate and an initiative on mental health</p>	<p>Perceived deficit in access to the following services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - sexual health and resources to combat teenage pregnancy - dentistry - mental health services, particularly for older people - information on relevant resources to maintain healthy living <p>Suicide rates are above the national average</p> <p>Little knowledge of the health needs and requirements of the rural area around Saltash</p>	<p>To develop a network amongst primary care to strengthen PL12 identity and influence</p> <p>To filter Health consultations through the MCTi</p> <p>To connect with Public Health to strengthen a proactive approach to prevent ill health</p> <p>To improve available information for local population on Health provision and support</p>	<p>Lack of communication between PCT & MCTi</p> <p>Lack of attention on needs of the hinterland could weaken progress</p> <p>Reduction in investment in minor injuries units/community health resources</p> <p>Rising elderly population could overstretch available resources</p> <p>Lack of networks of support for older people</p> <p>Healthy Living Forum appears to lack profile and influence</p>

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Sports & Leisure	<p>Beautiful location and potential for sensitive development</p> <p>High active membership and support for some sports/leisure groups</p> <p>Many organisations have strong youth sections</p> <p>Well used public leisure centre</p> <p>Substantial private leisure investment in the area</p> <p>Good level of youth take up and activity</p> <p>Wide range of activities/clubs for a variety of age ranges – indoors, outdoors and watersports</p> <p>2 nature reserves</p> <p>Special Interest Group exists to focus on play development</p>	<p>Insufficient outdoor (e.g. football, rugby, tennis) facilities for demand and in poor state of maintenance</p> <p>Too far to travel to reach facilities – some inaccessibility</p> <p>Insufficient indoor facilities for demand with insufficient storage</p> <p>Insufficient sports pitches to meet demand and government guidelines</p> <p>Unfinished/limited use of Saltmill</p> <p>Limited planning involvement and inadequate link up with local interests, schools and the private sector</p> <p>Many clubs/organisations running on shoestring funds</p>	<p>Opportunities to expand commercial sports and leisure activities</p> <p>Huge potential for watersports development – over subscription for such facilities in Plymouth</p> <p>Opportunity to open up access to school facilities all year round</p> <p>Saltmill has unfulfilled potential</p> <p>Interest in developing area wide sports/leisure forum</p> <p>Identify proposals for better use of open spaces in Saltash</p> <p>Saltash Parks Improvement Group's (SPIG) initiatives could be extended to benefit PL12 villages</p> <p>Footpaths and bridle ways could be improved and better exploited</p> <p>Improve access to Tamar estuary</p> <p>Develop central register of sports register of sports clubs/leisure groups to improve access</p>	<p>Organisations/clubs will leave the area because of poor facilities</p> <p>Poor response from commercial organisations to MCTi</p> <p>Limited planning opportunities and restrictions in an area of outstanding beauty</p> <p>Lack of consensus on ways of developing the area – many factional interests – threatens long term investment planning</p>