

CORNWALL COUNCILLOR UPDATE FOR MAY 2025



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Cornwall Council and around the Peninsula-

It has been an interesting month at Cornwall Council during May, while we have seen the larger parties trying to form an administration. We have ended up with a return to the 2017-2021 administration, which is a Liberal Democrat/Independent Group coalition. As I understand, that is the only coalition agreement on the Council.

We have also been allocating committee seats, I am pleased to say that I return to the Children's and Families OSC, now named Together for Families. We are in the process of putting in our ideas for the work programme - obviously SEND provision and support is high on my list, as is dental access for children. If anyone can think of other issues that face young people across Cornwall, please do get in touch and I can put that forward. I have also been assured I will be back on the Mount Edgcumbe Joint Committee as the local divisional member; currently the Tamar Crossings Joint Committee hasn't been decided - hopefully that will see representation from local members as well but time will tell.

During the upcoming month, we will be seeing resurfacing of Dodbrook and Millpool Head in Millbrook, it will be overnight work which will be disruptive and unpleasant, but it is desperately overdue.

Just this last week, I was notified that the Sandways campsite has received an injunction to remove their tents off the site. You will all remember that I took this to planning committee last year, and got planning consent granted for 5 years to allow the campsite to continue. I won't go into the legal reasons here, but I am fully in support of the Sandways camp association and I am doing all I can to support them through this.

I know the roadworks in Polbathic are causing a lot of delay and annoyance, they are being done by Wildanet to install superfast broadband, but they are not in the control of Cornwall Council I am sorry to say, I have written to streetworks and asked them to speak to Wildanet about the sequencing on the traffic lights. Hopefully they will be finished quickly.

Kate.