Appendix 11: Redruth Neighbourhood Plan Statement of Community Involvement November 23

This is a summary of the Consultation on the Redruth NDP. It is given in date order, with most recent first. Public consultation is given in Section 1 and Section 2 details Steering Group and working group meeting dates.

SECTION 1

The Regulation 14 Consultation on the draft Redruth NDP is taking place from 25th November 23 – 25th January 24.

Results will be added in due course.

In 2021, 2022 & 2023 The Lavigne Lonsdale Town Centre Masterplan and Investment Plan. Appendix 6 of the NDP. This Spatial Vision and Investment Plan has been funded by Redruth Town Council through funding from Cornwall Council's Towns Vitality Fund (TVF) scheme and the High Street Heritage Action Zone (HSHAZ).

This work has been supported by a series of specialist studies and extensive stakeholder, community and public consultation. The specialist studies were:-

- Redruth Values: A Place Brand for Redruth by Hemingway Design and CT Consults
- Destination Redruth by RIFT
- Car Parking Study by PJA
- Socio-Economic Study by Yellow Book Investment:
- Economic Appraisals and Valuations by Coreus and Alder King respectively
- Redruth Neighbourhood Development Plan
- Stakeholder, Community, Public and Business Consultation by CTConsults/HemingwayDesign; Lavigne Lonsdale; RIFT; Cornwall Council and Redruth Town Council. These are all summarised in the Vision + Investment Plan with detailed work appended or provided as separate documents.

In 2022 Hemingway Design and CTConsults were commissioned through Town Vitality and HSHAZ to produce a Brand Filter for Redruth. This is the Vision for Redruth. Research methods included a public online survey, consultations and conversations with stakeholders, review of material and reports and workshops including an intensive 1-Day stakeholder event on 16th March 2022. This involved a Redruth Values workshop by CTConsults in the morning, followed by the Redruth Spatial Vision and Investment workshop led by Lavigne Lonsdale.

The online survey enabled them to reach a real cross section of user groups and received 772 responses. with impressive young person (up to age 14) representation of over 31%. This provided a robust quantitative data set and perception baseline that was further supplemented by stakeholder engagement and one-to-one conversations.

The 2022 Hemmingway Design consultation showed 85% of respondents rating 'responding to climate change' as Very Important.

1.151 Respondents were asked a multiple-choice question about priorities for Redruth. The top 4 answers were:-

- More green spaces, trees and commitment to biodiversity.
- Building an economy where businesses and consumers prioritise local suppliers & produce over chains.

300 responses 39.1% 296 responses 38.6% • Encourage a strong culture of reuse and recycling

196 responses 25.6% 189 responses 24.6%

 Sustainable approach to urban design for both new build & Refurbishments.

When asked what they loved about Redruth, the four most frequently used words were:-

COMMUNITY, BELONGING, HERITAGE, LOCATON (shown in frequency order).

When asked what would they change about Redruth the four most frequently used words were:-SHOPS, EMPTYUNITS, CHOICE, CLEANUP

When asked what three words do you associate with Redruth the four most frequently given words were:-SCHOOL, MINING, HOME-TOWN, COMMUNITY.

Lavingne Lonsdale - At the intensive 1-Day stakeholder event on 16th March 2022, the afternoon workshop was led by Lavingne Lonsdale on the the Redruth Spatial Vision and Investment Plan.

This included an analysis of Place to understand spatially how the town functions, what works and doesn't work, what people love about Redruth and want to protect and what they want to improve. These focussed upon four main themes:

- Green Infrastructure Parks, Play areas, Public Realm, Climate Change
- Transport + Movement Access, Gateways, Parking, Walking + Cycling
- Heritage + Leisure Cultural Tourism, Entertainment and Events
- Town Centre + Business Functions, Shopping, Evening Economy

<u>Key positive messages</u> : A 'Living' community; independent shops and retail; historic buildings and proud heritage; good public transport links; lots of talent and creativity; good parks in the suburbs. <u>Key negative messages</u> : State of disrepair of the shop fronts and empty buildings; shopping street on a hill; lack of civic green space in the town centre; need for better signage; dirty alleyways; poor accessibility and poor gateways to the town.

Lavingne Lonsdale also had conversations with local community groups, schools and groups of people who are often the hardest to reach. Specific one-to-one meetings were held with the Food Bank, Volunteer Cornwall, Cornwall Neighbourhoods for Change Charity, Stitch and Soup local support group, Gwealan Tops Adventure Play charity, Youth Group Hideaway 77 and local school children at Redruth School. Attendance at the Expo 22 in Redruth on 1st April 2022 provided valuable feedback from local residents.

CPIR EXPO took place from 1st **April to 8**th **April 2022**, travelling around the area and in Redruth for the day on Wednesday 6th April. The NDP had a stand at this event as did the HSHAZ and Lavigne Lonsdale, gathering public opinion on Redruth Town Centre.

Lavingne Lonsdale also undertook specific business meetings with the Chamber of Commerce and Cornwall Council to understand their concerns and strengthen business communication on the many HSHAZ and TVF investments that are currently taking place in Redruth. The Chamber of Commerce meets monthly, but was attended by only a few business owners when we met. In order to capture as many businesses as possible Cornwall Council drew up a detailed business survey, that was distributed in digital format. The purpose of the survey is to establish a baseline data set that will be used to monitor the ongoing economic vitality and development of Redruth town centre and inform the Vision and Investment Plan and Redruth Town Vitality Funding schemes.

<u>Key positive findings</u> : There are many volunteer support groups based in Redruth, providing a real sense of community. Gwealan Tops is very popular and provides outstanding free play and meals to over 100 children together with parental support which has a profoundly positive impact at a social, health and wellbeing and community support level. East End Skate park is very popular too, with the children using both venues.

<u>Key negative findings</u>: the High Street feels antisocial and intimidating; loneliness amongst older generation with a desire for a multi-generational community gathering space/place; youths hang out in town where there are Wifi hotspots, but would much prefer a safe, green space with Wifi; lack of entertainment and places to eat out at night; poor communication of events, gatherings, lack of local notice boards. The Brewery is regarded as a priority site for redevelopment, with a desire for a large civic green space for events and festivals and work/live units.

Undertaking this Issues consultation has informed how policy will be formed in the Redruth Neighbourhood Plan. As well as the consultation results the Steering Group has considered the other evidence gathering and capacity to undertake the work required to evidence the policies.

Public Consultation 2021 (Issues)

It became apparent we would need to move the focus to on-line, so we worked with a team from Falmouth University called 'Go-Collaborate' (<u>https://www.gocollaborate.co.uk/work</u>) to develop a bespoke on-line consultation platform which enabled working with maps & consultation materials required in order to answer the questions for the Issues Consultation. A full report of the consultation results is available.

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Redruth Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan 2020-2030 Restarting the Redruth Conversation. Give us your views on the policies proposed for heritage, housing, employment

es, transport and more. To view the plan and take https://app.gocollaborate.co.uk/ part online, please visit: cornwall/redruth For more information, http://www.redruth-tc.gov.uk/ please visit: Neighbourhood Plan 3279.aspx

> For paper copies of the questionnaire visit: •The market stall on 1st May (10am-2pm) •Redruth Library in May •Redruth Community Centre each Tuesday & Thursday morning in May (10am - noon). A member of the team will be there to help you.

will be there to help you. We are also holding 2 virtual meetings in May To book your place email admin@redruth-tc.gov.uk

- Tuesday 11th May 7pm – 8pm
- Wednesday 26th May 6pm -7pm



On **29th March 21 – 30th June 21** the Go Collaborate On line platform went live.

We supported this on-line consultation with the following 'real world' & interactive activities:-

1st May 21 at Redruth Market 10am -2pm

• May and June in Redruth Community Centre meeting room 3. The room was set up with a display of the support materials with paper copies of the questionnaires available. A member of the steering group was available every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 10am – noon. Only 1 person or a related group was allowed in at a time to comply with CoVID restrictions.

• **May and June Redruth Library** had displays about Redruth Neighbourhood Plan and paper copies of the questionnaire were available to complete and return.

• 2 team's meetings on 11th May 21 7pm – 8pm & 26th May 21 6pm – 7pm for the public to discuss the plan with the steering group. Attendees were encouraged to complete the questionnaire either on-line or in paper form.

• **Redruth Youth Council** was attended on 15th July 2021 and attendees completed paper copies of the questionnaire.

Consultation was promoted on Facebook, with posters around town, business cards and displays.

Results of the March – June 2021 Redruth Conversation

Respondents were asked 35 questions on draft policy proposals. 155 completed questionnaires were completed. Summary results are given here by topic, including comment on how the results were interpreted.

Town Vision & Strapline: The proposed Vision for Redruth for the next 10 years is: 'To put the heart back into Redruth and make the place 'a real market town for the 21st century which is relevant and connected to the wider community served'. This vision was supported by 93% of respondents. However, it also generated a lot of comments relating to how Covid & climate change had changed things. The strapline

Redruth was using *'Heart of Cornish Mining'* was only supported by 51% of respondents, mainly as it was felt to look backwards, with 20% disagreeing. From these results it was agreed to commission town visioning work through the town vitality funding.

Climate Change: We asked if the community supported Redruth Neighbourhood Plan working with Cornwall Climate Emergency DPD and not setting any separate policies. 88% of respondents supported this approach. Many of those who thought differently wanted Redruth to do more, which can be achieved through the action plan related to the declared Climate Emergency by Redruth Town Council in 2021. This is the policy direction.

Design Code: We asked if the community supported Redruth Neighbourhood Plan working with Cornwall Council existing design code guidance and not setting any separate policies. 55% agreed, 35% were undecided & 10% disagreed. Some of the disagreement came from the word 'adequate' being used in the question, rather than opposing the proposal, so this is the proposed policy direction.

Green Infrastructure: We asked if the community supported Redruth Neighbourhood Plan working with Cornwall Council Green Infrastructure strategy for CPIR and not setting any separate policies for Redruth. 75% agreed, 5% were undecided & 19% disagreed. There are a few specific policy questions relating to green infrastructure in other topics, but part from those, this is the proposed policy direction.

Heritage: We asked the community 5 questions relating to the historic environment and heritage assets proposed policy directions as follows:-

- We asked should Redruth have a policy to safeguard and conserve the historic environment and heritage assets? 90% agreed, 8% were undecided & 2% disagreed.
- We asked people to review the draft local assets for protection list and say whether they agreed with it & to make any suggestions. 67% agreed, 26% were undecided & 7% disagreed. Some suggestions were made. This draft list was incorporated into The Cornwall Local Heritage List Pilot Project funded by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG).
- We asked should Redruth have a policy to ensure that building works and new developments are sympathetic to Redruth's history? 88% agreed, 6% were undecided & 6% disagreed.
- We asked should Redruth have a policy to safeguard and enhance green spaces within the town Development Boundary? 95% agreed, 3% were undecided & 2% disagreed.
- We asked should Redruth have a policy to safeguard and enhance historic & established pathways linking townscape and rural landscapes? 97% agreed, & 3% were undecided. Nobody disagreed.

Support was shown for all 5 of the proposed policy directions.

Tourism: We asked the community if they agreed that connecting Redruth Town Centre to the surrounding existing mineral tramway routes (eg Coast to Coast trail, Great Flat Lode) would improve the tourism offer and make the trails more accessible to residents. 87% of respondents supported this policy, 5% were undecided and 8% disagreed.

GP Provision: This consultation contained 2 questions relating to future GP provision, which were in line with consultation the surgeries were undertaking directly. Many verbal comments were made relating to concerns about adequate GP provision locally, particularly with the rising population numbers.

The 2 questions were about the merger of Manor and Clinton Road surgeries to form one surgery. Members of the NP steering group had met with the GP surgeries and the PCT and understood that the only way to ensure continuity of service and adequate GP provision for the expanding population was to merge the surgeries and expand from one location. The questions were about 8 priorities for improvements going forward. The top 3 priorities from our consultation work were:-

- More joined up services so that people with long term or complex health problems are being treated by a team that work closely together to provide personalised care (50%)
- More locally provided specialist or out-patient service to reduce the need to travel to the Royal Cornwall Hospital. (42%)

• Improved primary care mental health services including counselling & psychological therapy. (36%) These questions were also asked directly by the surgeries. Our results were given to surgeries and included in the overall results.

Education: We asked respondents if they agreed that there was enough nursery, infant, junior and secondary school spaces for Redruth residents aged 9 months – 16 years old. 33% agreed, 50% were undecided and 16% disagreed. There is some general concern about levels of provision with housing numbers, but nothing specific.

Transport: We asked 6 questions on transport.

We asked respondents if Improving cycling and walking routes should be the transport priority for the next 10 years for Redruth, rather than road improvements. 67% of respondents supported this policy, 15% were undecided and 18% disagreed.

This consultation also asked respondents to identify any areas of pavement and cycleway that if improved would increase their likelihood of walking and cycling, rather than using the car. 65% of respondents answered this question.

Location	Number of comments
Drump Road	11
Falmouth Road	8
East End	7
West End/Chapel Street/Fore Street/ Penryn Street Junction	4
Buckett's Hill	3
Close Hill	3
Green Lane	3
School Lane	3
A3047	2
Chapel Street	2
Church Lane	2
Clinton Road	2
New Portreath Road	2
Penventon Hotel	2
West end	2

Table 4 shows the locations for pavement & cycleway improvement that get more than one mention.

The following locations all get one mention Blowinghouse Hill, Bond Street, Brewery leats (adjacent to Tesco), Cardrew Railway footbridge, Fore Street (Flower Pot Car Park), Jon Davey Drive, North Street, Old Portreath Road, Penryn Street, Plain-an-Gwarry, Raymond Road, Southgate Street, St Day Road, Tolgus Hill, Trevingey Road, Trewirgie Hill & Trewirgie Road.

We asked if they supported extending the Tolgus Trail route from the Gold Centre (New Portreath Road) to Redruth Town Centre. 80% of respondents supported this policy, 10% were undecided & only 10% were non supportive.

We asked if they supported prioritising providing electric vehicle charging points in Redruth. (In 2021, Redruth Parish only had 3 electric charging points). 63% respondents agreed and 29% were undecided. Although the level of support is not as high as for other policy topics, because this is the future 'fuel' for vehicles it must be planned for.

We asked whether Fairmeadow Car Par should be retained as a car park either in full or in part and not allocated as a Retail Development site as per the Cornwall Local Plan. The reasoning given was that the Neighbourhood Plan team felt it should be retained as a car park, at least in part, due to the proposed Buttermarket redevelopment, the change in retail behaviour and it being the only car park on the south of Redruth. 73% of respondents agreed, 14% disagreed and 13% were undecided.

We asked if we should have a parking policy recommending that all new housing development outside the town centre provide more off-street parking than the Cornwall Standards. 75% of respondents agreed, 7% disagreed & 18% were undecided. We also asked about existing parking problems in residential streets. 81 comments were received.

All of the transport information was provided to the LCWIP for inclusion in that study.



Housing: We asked 6 questions about housing.

As Redruth does not currently have a publicly agreed development boundary, the proposed Development Boundary line was presented & 3 questions were posed. Map 5 shows the proposed Development Boundary V1

50% of respondents agreed with the proposed line, 24% disagreed and 26% were undecided. 82 comments and suggested amendments were received and subsequently reviewed by the NDP team. 10 comments related to the Urban Extension Area, 2 comments were outside the Parish, so these were not deemed actionable. 2 areas of the development boundary were proposed to be amended and will go forward for further consultation.

The third question on the development boundary asked in North Country should be included within the boundary line. 24% of respondents said yes, 44% said no and 32% were undecided. It therefore won't be included in the development boundary line at this time, but connection of the housing development located there in North Country to the town centre and other destinations in town should be considered.

Respondents were asked should we have a

policy preventing existing gardens being over - developed into new properties. 66% agreed, 19% disagreed and 15% were undecided.



Respondents were asked if we should have a policy supporting HAPPI principle development for Redruth? 69% agreed, 5% disagreed and 26% were undecided. HAPPI is 'Housing our Ageing Population Panel for Innovation' which has been working on proposals since 2009. The HAPPI principles are based on 10 key design criteria with relevance to the spectrum of older persons' housing which needs to both offer an attractive alternative to the family home and be able to adapt over time to meet changing needs.

Respondents were asked if we should have a policy to encourage self-build housing in Redruth. 46% of respondents agreed, 16% disagreed and 38% were undecided. It was therefore decided not to include this policy.

Redruth Employment Sites (outside the Town Centre Boundary)

We asked respondents 2 questions on employment sites outside the Town Centre. Redruth has 9 employment sites which are not protected through the Cornwall Local Plan. We asked the community about 8 of these sites. Map 6: The location of the Employment site in Redruth

The first of these questions asked respondents whether employment sites not mentioned in the Cornwall Local Plan (outside the Town Centre) should be protected Employment sites.

46% respondents supported this policy, 42% were undecided and 12% disagreed.

We then asked respondents about the individual employment sites & if each one should be protected as an employment sites for the next 10 years. Results are shown in table 4 below.

As support for some of the sites was low, they will not be included in the policy to protect the sites. Only Parc Erissey and Krowji are proposed for inclusion in the policy.

Site No	Name of the site	% of respondents supporting protection of the employment site
E12	Gilberts Combe	28%
E13	Parc Erissey Industrial Estate	41%
E14	Krowji	63%
E16	The ex-fire station – Close Hill	23%
E17	Drump Road – the ex- Police Station (Trecarrel)	22%
E18	Town Mill Foundry	30%
E19	Former Bootsies/ Jewels site on Treleigh Avenue	25%
	Redruth	
E22	Hillside Industrial	31%

Table 5: Results of consultation on protecting individual employment sites.

<u>Working from home</u> 2 questions were included in the consultation. The first asked if improved Broadband performance was the most important issue for a better homeworking productivity for you? 56% agreed, 20% were undecided and 24% disagreed. From the comments and the results Broadband provision was felt to be adequate.

The second question asked if there was anything else the NDP could consider to improve homeworking productivity. The idea of shared working space was offered as a suggestion. There was a low response and no consensus, so no policy areas will be developed for home working.

The Town Centre and Redruth Brewery Site Questions on the Town Centre and Redruth Brewery site proposed policies were not included in this 2021 consultation as work was in progress on the HSHAZ & Town Vitality funded Town Centre masterplan & Investment Plan. These pieces of work have included consultation work on these topics.

Responses to Draft Cornwall Council consultations relevant to the Redruth NP 2020

<u>Climate Change DPD scoping consultation.</u> The response form was submitted by email on 26th May 2020.

Streetscape Design Code Comments

2 pages of comments were submitted by email on 2nd March 2020.

Draft Cornwall Design Code Comments

2 pages of comments were submitted by email on 2nd March 2020.

Virtual Workshops for Redruth Brewery Masterplan 2020 (AECOM technical support package)

Work was undertaken on the Brewery Masterplan through support secured through Locality NP and undertaken by AECOM. The planned 'real-world' stakeholder workshop on 26th March 20 had to be cancelled and was eventually replaced by 2 on-line stakeholder workshops on 16th June 20 and 24th July 20 <u>Tuesday 16th June 2020 2pm – 3.30pm – Officer and Councillor Workshop (Microsoft Teams)</u> <u>Tuesday 16th June 2020 4.30pm – 6pm NP Steering Group Workshop (Microsoft Teams)</u> The combined summary notes from both workshops are shown in Appendix 7 Redruth Brewery Workshop 27th July 2020 (AECOM).

Public Consultation 2020 (Issues)

The Redruth Conversation was started in January 2020. The aim was to hold a series of public events and attend existing community meetings to discuss the developing Redruth Neighbourhood and refine the questionnaire and consultation materials before creating the on-line option. The Climate change questions were also asked at these Redruth Conversation Events in January and February 2020. Three advertised public events were.

Saturday 18th January 2020 at Kresen Kernow 10am -4pm in partnership with Redruth Town Council Saturday 25th January 2020 at Kresen Kernow 10am -4pm in partnership with Redruth Town Council Tuesday 18th February 2020 at Redruth Community Centre 2pm – 7pm in partnership with Treveth and Tolgus phase 1.

Results of the January & February 2020 Redruth Conversation

37 questionnaires were completed. 32 respondents lived within Redruth Parish, 4 lived just outside the Redruth Parish and 1 respondent did not say. 2 respondents were under 18., 5 were between 18 and 40, 13 were between 40 and 65, 14 were over 65,3 did not state their age.

Changes to the tested questions and support materials going forward.

- Removed question on bus shelters.
- Removed the taxi rank question. The taxi drivers themselves should be asked about taxi rank spaces. It is an operational issue and not an issue for the Neighbourhood Plan.
- Removed the question about vehicle speeding problems. It is a low priority to date, & will require a lot of in-depth work outside the scope of the NDP to create meaningful policy.
- Add a general question about Employment sites for protection.
- Including photographs of sites on the support materials. This would help with site ID as not everyone is great with maps.
- Explain any technical terms and implications of those terms with notes on the question itself as well as on any reference materials e.g. Town Centre Boundary, Primary Retail frontage, settlement boundary.
- No more questions on climate change issues work with the Cornwall Council climate emergency consultation process.
- From this point forward it was also agreed to let the Redruth HSHAZ project lead on the Town Centre work for Redruth.

Public Consultation 2019 (Issues)

Back in 2019, as Cornwall Local Plan did not contain policies on Climate change & DPD work had not yet started, Redruth Neighbourhood Plan wished to ask our community for their views. 13 climate change questions were asked at Land Train Day, Murdoch Day 2019, & at November 2019 Youth Council meeting.

Murdoch Day- 15th June 2019: Neighbourhood Plan Stand 29 on Murdoch Day. Questionnaire on sustainability issues. Mel and Suzanne on the stand.

65 respondents completed the questionnaire on sustainability issues. This feedback has given a good steer about what issues the Redruth NP needs to deal with.

Consultation summary and the questionnaire are appendices to this document.

Redruth Land Train Day – Saturday June 1st 2019 – A long talked about trial of a land train in Redruth organised by Redruth Revival project. Redruth NP volunteered on the day to help with community consultation on the day. Tuesday 4th June 5pm – 6pm- Land train de-brief meeting. A report is available.

All **working group meetings** have been advertised and open to public attendance. Details of working groups are shown in a separate section of this report.

Meeting Redruth Youth Council

Thursday 17th October 2019 4pm-5.30pm Thursday 19th December 2019 4pm – 5pm – (Climate Change Issues consultation)

<u>Meeting Redruth Chamber 2019</u> (Attending meetings to engage with NP). Thursday 6th June 2019 from 6pm at Redruth Town Council Thursday 19th September 2019 from 6pm at Redruth Town Council Thursday 3rd October 2019 from 6pm at Redruth Town Council

During all of the consultation many topics were discussed which we consider to be outside the scope of the Redruth NDP. Some of the key topics are captured in summary form in **Appendix 12 Redruth Action Plan**.

Brownfield Site Meetings 2019 (Evidence gathering & communication)

33-34 Fore Street TR15. Organised through CC with site reps from noon till 1.30pm 4th June 2019.

Trengweath TR15- 4 – 5.30pm Tuesday 18th June. Organised through CC with Homes England to discuss future use of the site **& 3pm -5pm on 27th August 2019** with Extra Care team.

Kresen Kernow (Part of Brewery Site) – Tuesday 23rd April 10.30-12.30pm Project meeting

Redruth Youth Centre – Wednesday 22nd May 4pm -6pm. Task and finish group discussing the future of this building.

CPIR Town Centre Place Shaping– Tuesday 30th April 2019 4pm – 5.30pm & Tuesday 16th July 2019 4pm – 5.30pm & Tuesday 17th September 4pm – 6pm & Wednesday 25th September 4.45pm – 6pm. **HSHAZ Project Meeting** with Historic England on Wednesday 23rd October.

Health Meetings 2019 2021 (Evidence gathering & communication)

GP's meeting 20th April 2021 6pm – 7pm (on-line)

Primary Care Network (PCN) Meeting – Thursday 11th July 2019 with Rachel Murray. Notes of the meeting are available. PCN conference call on Wednesday 18th September 2019 from 3.30pm.

Manor Surgery Meeting – Tuesday 23rd July 2019 with John Leach (business manager)

Clinton Road Surgery Meeting – Friday 26th July 2019 with Caroline Pugh (business manager) and Debbie Bugg (senior partner).

Cornwall Council Property -Tuesday 17th September 2019 2pm – 3.30pm with Elected members discussing future GP provision in Redruth

Housing Meetings 2019

Murdoch and Trevithick:-Thursday 9th May 2pm – 3pm – member briefing and public consultation on proposal for 52 affordable dwellings (26 rent/26 shared ownership). **Application PA19/04444**. This site secured planning permission in September 2019.

Tolgus – Monday 23rd September from 7pm at RTC offices with members of the community group and the development representatives. Meeting requested by the local Councillor.

Education Meetings

Cornwall Council Education and Early Years Officers Helen Peerless, (Policy and Organisation Manager Cornwall Council Education and Early Years) **& Paul Renowden (**Education Capital Strategy Officer, Cornwall Council, Education Access and Sufficiency Team, Education and Early Years) to discuss Education provision for next 10 years. Meeting notes are available.

Redruth School – Monday 21st October 2019 at 10am. Met with Craig Salamone (School Bursar) to discuss figures and next 10 years.

Sustainability & Town Centre meetings (To help guide the NP)

Cornwall New Energy Annual Conference and Trade Fair – Wednesday 2nd October 2019 8.45am – 2pm in St Austell Conference Centre.

Chacewater Renewable Energy Fair and Electric Vehicle Day – Saturday 27th July 2019 from 11am – 5pm. **Bill Grimsey (the Vanishing High Street) presentation** – Friday 10th May 2019 10am – noon at New County Hall – Truro.

Climate Change and Neighbourhood Planning – Saturday 9th March 2019 at Tremough Campus.

SECTION 2

Steering Group Meetings (Constituted group) All meetings in RTC Chamber with agenda & notes on website.

17th October 2023 at 6.30pm 15th August 2023 at 6.30pm 5th September 2022 at 6.30pm 19th October 2021 at 6.30pm 16th August 2021 at 6.30pm 27th April 2021 at 6.30pm 22nd March 2021 at 6.30pm 12th January 2021 at 6.30pm 14th December 2020 at 6.30pm 20th October 2020 at 6.30pm 13th July 2020 at 6.30pm (via Teams) 17th February 2020 at 6.30pm 6th January 2020 at 6.30pm 29th October2019 at 6.30pm 16th September 2019 at 6.30pm 22nd July 2019 at 6pm 17th June 2019 at 6.30pm 15th April 2019 at 6.30pm 18th March 2019 at 630pm 18th February 2019 at 6.30pm 15th October 2018 at 6.30pm 18th June 2018 at 6.30pm 22nd May 2018 at 6.30pm 24th April 2018 at 6.30pm 19th March 2018 at 6.30pm

Members of the NDP Steering group have also been involved with other projects and studies which have fed into this NDP. These other projects and studies are:-

- The Redruth High Street Heritage Action Zone (HSHAZ) project 2020 2024 via the board;
- The Town Centre Masterplan undertaken by Lavingne Lonsdale funded by the HSHAZ project;
- The Brand Values work commissioned by the HSHAZ project and delivered by Hemmingway Design in Spring Autumn 2021;
- The Town Vitality Studies commissioned by Redruth Town Council in 2021, with monies awarded by Cornwall Council to produce the Town Investment Plan, a condition study on 2 buildings on the Brewery site, a feasibility study for a Plen-an-Gwari, a car parking study & a study on Destination Redruth;
- The Local Heritage List Pilot Project. Cornwall Council is part of a national campaign piloting the Cornwall Local Heritage List Project. Cornwall was one of the 22 areas chosen to benefit from an allocation of £1.5 million by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) to run the pilot project and Redruth was one of 2 pilot areas to be studied.
- The CPIR Green Infrastructure Strategy, adopted by Cornwall Council in 2021.
- The Local Cycling & Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP). All of the transport information collected through the NDP was provided to the LCWIP for inclusion in that study.
- Climate Emergency DPD via the consultation responses.

<u>Working Groups.</u> All meetings were advertised on the Neighbourhood Plan website page and open to the public. Agenda sent out in advance to everyone who had provided email details. Notes of meetings produced and published.

At Steering group on 15th April 2019 it was agreed to combine the working groups to bring the work together into a combined working group.

Combined Working Group

 1^{st} November 2022 6pm – 8pm in the Chamber 27th July 2020 at 5pm – 6.15pm in the Chamber 21st October 2019 at 6.30pm in the Chamber 22nd July 2019 at 6.30pm in the Chamber 8th May 2019 at 5.30pm in the Chamber

Town Centre, Tourism, Business and Economy WG meeting dates

Monday 1st April 2019 at 5.30pm in the Chamber Monday 22nd October 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber 17th September 2018 in the Chamber 14th May 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber 10th April 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber 5th March 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber 12th February 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber

Transport WG meeting dates

Monday 11th February 2019 at 6.15pm in the Chamber Monday 14th January 2019 at 6.30pm in the Chamber Monday 12th November 2018 at 6.30pm in the Chamber Monday 1st October at 5.30pm in the Chamber)

Housing WG meeting dates

Wednesday 23rd January 2019 @ 5.30pm in the Chamber Wednesday 28th November 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber Wednesday 24th October 2018 at 5pm in the Chamber 5th September 2018 at 5pm in the Chamber 20th June 2018 at 5pm in the Chamber 30th May 2018 at 5pm in the Chamber 15th May 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber 23rd April 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber

Heritage WG meeting dates

Tuesday 10th April 2019 – 5.30pm Tuesday 15th January 2019 – 5.30pm Tuesday 6th November 2018 at 5.30pm Tuesday 2nd October at 5.30pm Tuesday 26th June 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 26th June 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 12th June 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 29th May 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 8th May 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 17th April 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 3rd April 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 20th March 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 6th March 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 20th February 2018 5.30pm Tuesday 20th February 2018 5.30pm

Public Services WG meeting dates

Tuesday 3rd April 2019 in the Chamber Tuesday 30th January 2019 (postponed) Tuesday 13th November 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber Tuesday 25th September 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber Tuesday 5th June 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber Tuesday 1st May 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber Tuesday16th April 2018 at 5.30pm in the Chamber

March 2017 – Initial Consultation report undertaken by PFA Research was published on the NDP website page. 'Community Survey to Inform the creation of the Redruth Town Neighbourhood Plan.'

488 interviews & questionnaires. Focus groups were also held. More females to males responded (59% vs 51%) & there is a 95% confidence level i.e. (+/- 4.7%).

- One in five said (20%) one member of the household had a long-standing illness.
- Half have total household income under £25K.
- 64% were house owners/ 23% private rental property / 15% in social rent property.
- 65% had one person in work/ 30% had one person retired.
- Of those looking for property 58% wanted property to buy, 38% wanted property to rent privately & 15% looking for social rent.

The key messages which emerged from this 2017 research, & guided developing policies were:

- Recognising the town centre as a "jewel in the crown" and its potential as a viable commercial centre.
- Developing new housing centres in sympathy with Redruth's heritage.
- Ensuring walkways network the town and residential areas.
- Enabling congestion-free traffic.
- Integrated public transport systems.
- Development that is inclusive, working for all.
- Half of respondents (49%) anticipate some form of difficulties accessing healthcare services in the future. Of greatest concern is a lack of capacity or provision from NHS services, and generally a lack of available or suitable appointments.
- Redruth residents are concerned that basic infrastructure and services must be invested in at the same time as any new and large housing developments.
- Participants were asked to consider whether their current housing arrangement is suitable for their family needs and whether that was likely to change in the future. In most cases (53%), families are outgrowing their existing space and need to upscale or find separate property for one or more adult members. 57% of those in 'insufficient' properties (or about 10% of all participants in the survey) are actively looking for new property now. People are mostly (58%) looking for property to buy although 38% require private rent and 15% social rent. Properties of all sizes and configuration are required or considered, from flats (an apartment) through to larger 5+ bedroom houses.
- 38% of those looking for property are resigned to moving out of Redruth if they are unable to find the property they need.
- Redruth people recognize their town as having character and believe it values and promotes its heritage. More agree than not that Redruth is positively and distinctly different from other Cornish towns and that the town is not overdeveloped. Of most concern, however, is that new building work and developments should be sympathetic to Redruth's history.
- Through its development, however, residents <u>would not like</u> to significant expansion to the town and area (36%), with characterless (social) housing estates (24%). Importantly, greenfield sites and nature areas must be preserved (13%).

Participants within the focus group developed the issues emerging through the survey even further:

 Housing – providing open spaces, preserve parks, environmentally advanced, good build quality, all types are needed (low-end/cost and high-end).

- Integrated communities encourage town centre living, repurpose existing (unused/run-down) buildings and spaces, develop supported living.
- Transport Improve traffic flows, connect with public transport.
- Town centre relook at how it works, encourage mix of independent and chains, connect with other areas, public toilets to demonstrate commitment to tourism and resident businesses.
- Heritage preserve and lever Redruth's special offer, with sympathetic development.
- Supporting infrastructure and services ensure significant volumes of new build is matched by investment in infrastructure and public services (schools, healthcare, travel).

Residents can see a bright future for Redruth, that is has an opportunity to set a vision and promote itself in ways that other towns will find more difficult.

Participants were asked what about Redruth was important to preserve for its children's future. Many cited Redruth's heritage and historical assets as something special, cited by 34%, followed by 'public services' (19%) and "community spirit" (13%).