

South Hill



Parish Plan 2007



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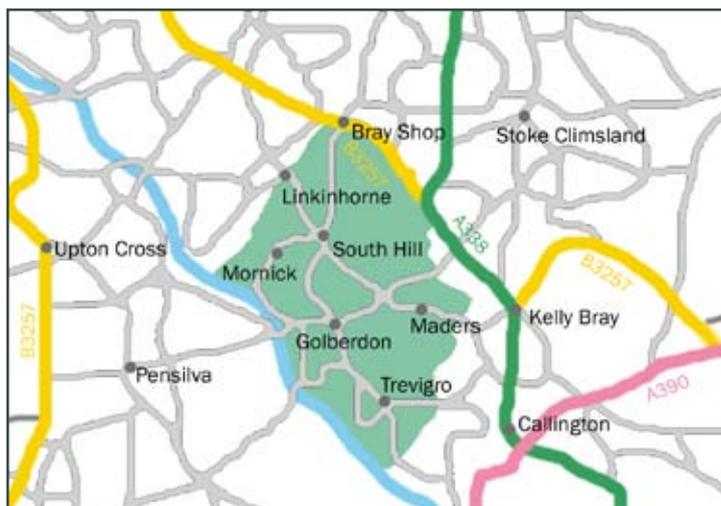


Introduction

The Parish Of South Hill

South Hill Parish is a small rural parish in South East Cornwall. The River Lynher to the west forms part of the parish boundary. 5 km to the east is the town of Callington. The parish has a population of 474 (2001 census) and 184 houses. The main village is Golberdon with smaller settlements at South Hill, Maders, Trevigro and Mornick. Part of the village of Bray Shop is in South Hill Parish. There are several other clusters of houses and individual properties throughout the Parish. Most of the land area is farmland which slopes towards the wooded valleys of the River Lynher and its tributaries.

St Sampson's Church is at South Hill. The Parish Hall, recreation field and allotment field are in Golberdon. There are also football and cricket pitches and a children's play area.

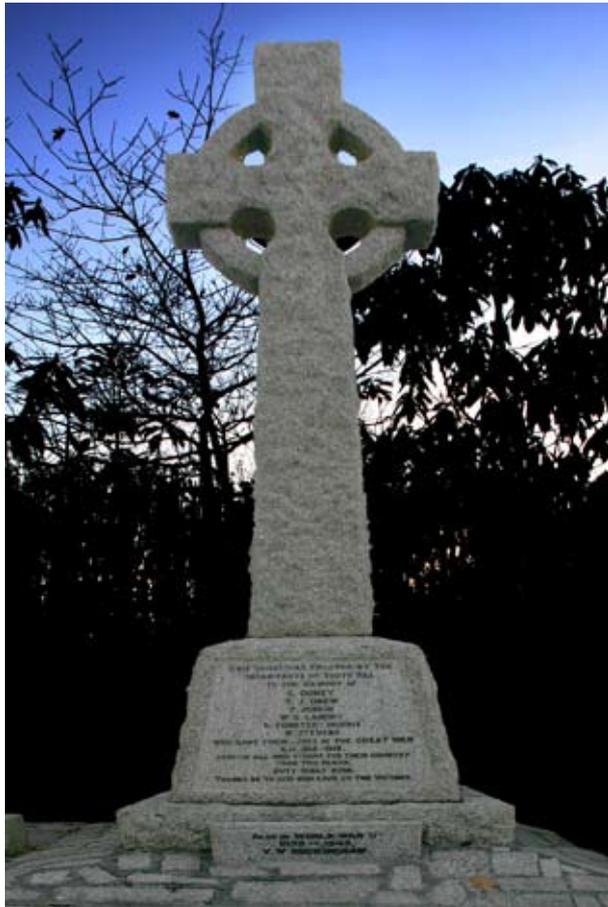


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- A Road
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- Minor Road
- South Hill Parish

Fig. 1 - Maps showing location of South Hill and surrounding area.





The Process



The Survey

A Parish Appraisal was undertaken in 2001, with a questionnaire being posted to all the houses in the Parish. However, at that time there were not the resources to analyse the results. By the time funds were available to do this, many members of the group which had originally been involved had moved away and the process lost its momentum.

The new Parish Plan Steering Group considered that the data from the 2001 survey would be out of date and therefore a new survey should be conducted. A questionnaire was designed, based on the 2001 survey, which would again be delivered to each household in the Parish. The survey covered a wide range of topics including housing, transport, environment, crime/safety, community facilities/activities and health care. Volunteers delivered the questionnaires on Friday 14th of April 2006 (Good Friday). When possible, the opportunity was taken to outline the purpose of the survey and the benefits of a Parish Plan to residents. If nobody was at home, a compliment slip was left with the questionnaire with a contact phone number of the person who had delivered it. The same volunteers returned a few weeks later to collect the forms. If nobody was at home, the volunteers left a second compliment slip, with a stamped addressed envelope. Posters about the survey were put on the Parish notice boards and a press release was sent to the Cornish Times. The survey was well received by residents, demonstrated by an excellent response rate of 76%. Many residents commented that they welcomed the opportunity to express their opinions. A survey report was produced detailing the findings.

The South Hill Parish Plan

South Hill Parish Plan 2007 is a document that sets out how the community sees itself developing over the next 5-10 years. There are many reasons why South Hill Parish Council decided to undertake a Parish Plan:

- First and foremost it enables the community to have a say in how their Parish develops in the future.
- It can be used to attract funding for projects, as it can prove demand for facilities and activities.
- It can be used to influence planning policies. Appropriate elements of the Plan have the potential to be included within the District Council's Development Plan Documents in the Local Development Framework, thereby giving them more 'weight' in planning decisions.
- It is also useful in providing the Parish Council with a clear framework of actions to be taken, based on what residents see as important.
- Community groups and residents can use information in the plan too, as it provides an invaluable tool to help them lobby for change.

The process that the Parish went through to produce the Plan is outlined in the next section.

The First Stage

South Hill Parish Council started the process of producing a Parish Plan by calling a meeting for those interested, in December 2005. About 18 residents attended the first meeting where it was agreed to progress further, seeking advice from the Cornwall Rural Community Council. A steering group was set up and an application was made to Defra (Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs), through the Local Area Agreement, for funding. This was successful and a grant of £4,301.80 was awarded, which together with a contribution from the Parish Council, some fund raising activities and a contribution in kind by volunteers, provided the resources to undertake the Plan.

Your Plan - Your Day

The next stage of process was to further investigate the issues highlighted by the survey. An event was held on 9th September 2006 at the Parish Hall, to inform the residents of the results of the Survey, while providing an opportunity to focus on some of the key issues.



Two issues in particular which attained a lot of response in the survey, but needed further research were Affordable Housing and Local Transport Services. A District Council Officer and an officer from East Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership attended the event and answered residents' questions. Other officers who were unable to attend sent literature for residents to read regarding specific issues (including Japanese Knotweed eradication, footpath responsibilities and litter campaign support etc.). Members of the Parish Council attended, along with the District Councillor, to discuss issues with residents.

Information from the survey, along with maps and photographs were displayed around the hall with pens, pencils and 'post-it' notes being provided for residents to respond to the information and the specific questions that had been posed. Residents were also issued with coloured dots to stick on to maps to show where particular issues were a problem. The colour of the dot they were issued with depended on the area in which they lived. This helped differentiate which issues were common for all residents of the Parish and which were specific to certain hamlets. Residents were also asked to vote for 5 issues which they considered should be priorities in the Plan. To do this, each resident was issued with 5 stars and asked to place them by their 5 most important issues. Younger people were also encouraged to get involved, having the opportunity to sketch their ideas for improving the play area at the Parish Hall.



A board with flyers, cards and advertisements was put up at the event to inform residents about businesses within the Parish. A display was also compiled giving facts and figures about the local farming economy.

The Plan

This Plan draws together the information from both the survey and the event day and uses the findings to set out a framework of action. The plan is split into 3 main sections:

- Summary Of Key Findings - Findings from the consultation are summarised, with visions being set out for the issues highlighted.
- The Action Plan - A framework of possible actions to be taken, providing information on partners that will need to be involved, existing strategies and policies that will need to be linked into and information on other issues that will need consideration.
- Partners, Strategies & Definitions - An index of useful information to be used in conjunction with the action plan.

Sustainability

The concept of sustainability is grounded in the importance of meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. The UK Strategy for Sustainable Development breaks down sustainability into four key objectives to be integrated and delivered simultaneously in achieving sustainable development:

- Social progress which recognises the needs of everyone.
- Effective protection of the environment.
- Prudent use of natural resources.
- Maintenance of high and stable levels of economic growth and employment.

Sustainability needs to underpin any projects within the Parish Plan. There are many benefits of ensuring that sustainability is a key focus of community project, including -

- Saving money - Efficient use of energy and resources should help save money in the long term.
- Ensuring longevity - Considering sustainable principles when formulating a project should help ensure that the resulting project will be successful and continue to function long after its initial set-up.
- Promoting community cohesion - Sustainable projects should involve a greater range of people in the community, which should help improve community cohesion, as well as help strengthening the project.
- Increased chances of funding - Most funders are now looking to see whether a project will be a sustainable venture, so it is important that the community group can demonstrate that they have given this topic serious thought.



The action plan has been formulated with sustainability in mind and it is advised that a 'sustainability check list' is used when undertaking any resulting project, to ensure that the project is as sustainable as possible.

Linking The Plan In With Other Strategies

The South Hill Parish Plan needs to be used in conjunction with existing strategies and policies (eg. Caradon Local Plan, Cornwall Structure Plan/South West Regional Spatial Strategy etc.). Reference to other strategies and policies have therefore been included within the action plan, with specific information on each strategy being included in the index at the back of the Plan.

Taking The Plan Forward

The overall goal of this Plan is to help facilitate a future where quality of life in South Hill is preserved and enhanced for everyone in the Parish. This entails enabling everyone in the community to have a voice in how their Parish should develop and involving them in its development of the Parish as much as possible. The publication of the Parish Plan should be seen as a starting point for the implementation of the action proposed within. Monitoring, reviewing and updating the contents of the Plan should be ongoing to ensure that the Plan moves with the changing Parish and reflects the views of the community.

Actions Already Being Taken...

The Parish Council have already been looking into some of the issues highlighted in the Plan, for example -

- Discussions between the Parish Council and Caradon District Council Housing Officers are taking place regarding the feasibility of providing affordable housing (up to 6 properties) through a Housing Association.
- Solutions are being discussed regarding the problems of dog fouling in the Parish.
- The 'changing room' has now been removed from the recreation field.
- The Parish Council is continuing discussions with the Police on the use of speed cameras in Golberdon.
- The Parish Council is continuing negotiations for speed limitation in Maders.
- Ownership of "The Sanctuary" in Trevigro is being researched.





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The Natural and Built Environment

Protecting and Preserving

Being voted the second highest priority at the event day, it is agreed by residents that both the built and natural environment are of key importance to the Parish and should be protected. Residents are particularly proud of the river banks, hedgerows, woodland, flora and fauna, with the Lynher Valley the most popular location (particularly between Bicton and Kerney bridges). The tree sanctuary in Trevigro was also listed.

Specific areas of the Parish residents wanted to conserve or preserve included:

- St Sampson's Church and Churchyard (the most popular response)
- The Parish Hall
- The Playing Field
- The Playground

The well and trough at Lamberts Well, the copse of trees at the crossroads at South Hill, the pump at Egypt, the wells at Mornick and Berrio, the allotments, the War Memorial and Kerney Bridge were other features valued by residents. There were also several calls for the 'trough' at Trewolland to be reinstated.

The riverbank between the Lynher and Tregonnett Wood was the most popular area for a nature reserve, closely followed by the area between the road and the river at Berrio. Comments made by residents stated that the green lane running from Trevigro up onto Golberdon Down (an ancient agricultural and miners track) needs protection and highlighted an area of wetland already in the ownership of a Wildwood Heritage Trust that was in need of management.

It was noted that along several of the lanes in the Parish, the hedgerow trees had grown over the road causing a loss of daylight resulting in fewer plants growing in the hedges underneath. In regard to walls and hedges it was noted that less frequent trimming of hedges would encourage wildlife, while others were keen to have overhanging growth cut back. There was also concern about the damage done by large delivery vehicles to walls, hedges and property.

Issues threatening the countryside cited by residents included:

- Low flying aircraft - 109 people.
- Motorcycle scrambling - 34 people.
- Traffic noise - 33 people.
- Hunting - 20 people.
- Light pollution - 20 people.

The lack of intrusive road signs and street lighting was appreciated. Some residents were in favour of more signs, particularly in relation to the prevention of dog fouling and speeding and there was a request for a "Trefinnick Road" sign. However these were balanced

by others who did not want more signs and advocated replacing the large "Golberdon" sign with a smaller sign more in keeping with the new signposts recently erected.

Footpaths

Footpaths and boundary stones were valued by residents. Generally residents thought that the footpaths in the Parish were of a good standard, with very few respondents citing poor upkeep a problem.

- 73% of residents use the footpaths in the Parish.
- 26% of these had encountered a problem with poor signposting and waymarking.
- 15% had encountered dogs off leads with no obvious owner.

Litter

There were lots of comments made by residents about litter, particularly at road sides (littering from cars, fly tipping and waste from farms) and on the playing field after football matches. Several comments highlighted the fact that refuse collection sometimes added to litter, with refuse sacks being torn open by animals and waste being spilled during collection.

Some residents stated they pick up any litter they see and want to encourage others to do the same. It was suggested that residents adopt a stretch of road to pick litter once/twice a month, an idea which was endorsed by others. Some thought that heavier fines for dropping litter would also help. It was suggested that proper wheelie bins and a lorry designed to empty them, might help solve problems of mess left from refuse collection.



Animals

Most of the responses received through the consultation in relation to animals, referred to problems with dogs (off leads, fouling etc.). Educating owners and encouraging a more responsible attitude was requested by many residents, with some also proposing that signage, fines and Caradon District Council's Dog Warden needed also to play a role. Other problems highlighted were escaped livestock, animal

noise and problems with vermin. However, most of the respondents citing these problems felt able to deal with these themselves, many stating that such issues are expected when living in the country.

The Visions:

- Areas of particular importance to the Parish, both of the built and natural environment, to be preserved and protected.
- A reduction of litter/littering throughout the Parish.

Energy & Waste

Alternative Energy

Energy is vital to any part of community life, from heating houses to transportation to developing community facilities. Fossil fuels currently provide most of our energy needs. For example, oil is presently the most used energy source for heating homes within the Parish, followed by wood and electricity. However, with the increasing emphasis being put on the need to find alternatives to fossil fuels, due to the well publicised environmental issues and depleting resources, residents were asked to think about which renewable energy resources they would favour for producing energy for the Parish. The most popular options were -

- Solar panels on houses - 94% support
- Community energy projects - 92% support
- Wind farm - 62% support

Proposals were made by some residents that water power, photovoltaic cells and ground source heat pumps could also be considered when looking at renewable energy options that could be used to harness power in the future.

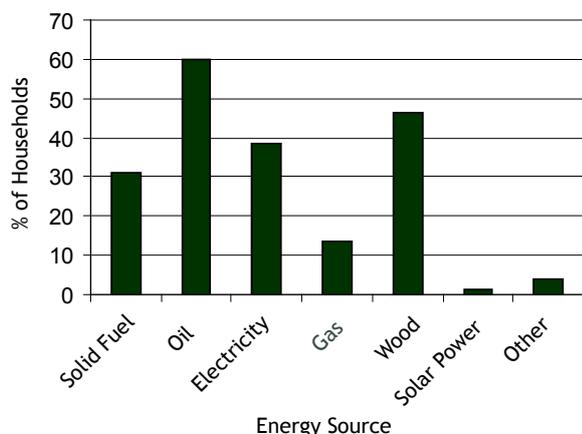


Fig.2 Chart showing current sources of energy used to heat houses in the Parish.

Residents will of course need further information about

various options to enable them to make informed decisions about what would be appropriate for the Parish. It is important to note that renewable energy sources can vary greatly on scale. For example, harnessing wind power does not necessarily mean having to build a large scale windfarm. Instead, installing a community owned wind turbine could be an option for providing energy for the local area (See 'Case Study' below).

Case Study: Community Owned Wind Turbine, South Wheatley

A community wind turbine has recently (October 2006) been piloted in North Cornwall at South Wheatley. The turbine has been installed to generate green energy which now provides for two thirds of the hamlet's electricity needs. The turbine is expected to generate a profit of approximately £3,000 each year. This money will be invested in energy-saving initiatives such as low-energy refrigerators, double-glazing and insulation for homes in the hamlet, to benefit the community. It is predicted that using the wind turbine will reduce the area's carbon dioxide emissions by 20 tonnes each year.

More information about sustainable energy projects can be found at www.csep.co.uk.

Energy Efficiency

Energy efficiency is another key measure to help reduce consumption of fossil fuels and measures to make homes, business and community buildings more energy efficient should be promoted throughout the Parish.

Recycling

The amount of refuse recycled in the Parish has increased significantly in recent years due to the introduction of the Caradon District Council Kerbside Recycling Service. The consultation revealed that -

- 86% of households use the service.
- 63% would recycle more if provided with storage containers.
- 17% would still have problems keeping such containers.

Reasons given by residents for not recycling included housing not being covered by the kerbside service and problems with finding space to store the waste. Ideas in relation to tackling storage problems included the provision of bins similar to the type used by Plymouth City Council Recycling Service.

A better scheme for garden waste was called for. It was proposed that a local scheme for garden waste composting would be more environmentally friendly and would help to reduce the quantity of garden waste dumped on roadside verges. It was proposed that those

gardeners without the space for their own compost bin should attempt to make arrangements with neighbours to use their bin. There were calls from some residents for the garden waste collection bags provide by the Council to be free. The Council, however, state that the purpose for charging for the bags is to encourage the use of home composting.

Other comments included having a skip periodically available in the Parish for the disposal of large bulky items and administering a charge for the collection of non-recyclable waste.

The Visions:

- Households/businesses in the Parish to become more energy efficient, in conjunction with the Parish looking into alternative sources for future energy supply.
- Improved and extended kerbside recycling/garden waste service to further increase the amount of waste recycled by the Parish.

**‘We need to protect the rural ambience
of the whole Parish.’**
Resident’s Comment

Housing

In line with Caradon District Council’s view that first time buyers find housing costs prohibitive, the need for affordable housing in the Parish has been highlighted by residents. Resident’s views on the types of housing need in the Parish are as follows -

- 75% thought the Parish needed affordable housing.
- 56% thought the Parish needed family homes for long-term rental.
- 38% thought the Parish needed sheltered housing.
- 39% thought the Parish needed shared ownership housing.
- 34% thought the Parish needed homes for single people.
- 25% thought the Parish needed Community homes for those with special needs.
- 9% thought the Parish needed holiday housing for short-term rental.

It is important that any future housing development should be sympathetic to the local environment, with developments being on a small scale. Factors such as the need to ensure that there is adequate infrastructure provided for additional housing (eg. sewage, local facilities, public transport etc.) also need to be addressed.

The Vision:

- Development of a strategic plan to meet housing needs within the Parish.

Transport & Access

Transport and access issues cross cut into many other issues, whether it is environmental implications of over reliance on private cars, matters regarding accessing health facilities or safety concerns due to busy roads. It is therefore important that any transport/access projects take such issues into consideration.

It is important that alternatives to car travel are promoted in the Parish. This will not only help address the numerous environmental impacts and safety issues associated with increasing amounts of traffic on roads, but also help improve accessibility for the whole community (particularly important to those who do not drive/do not have a car). If a bus or taxi service was available, 24% said they would use the service, while 31% said they would not. An additional 45% might use a service, but it would depend largely on specific destinations being on the route. Callington is the most popular destination for public transport provision, and although there is already a daily bus service to Callington, residents indicated that the current service needs to be improved. There was also demand for a service to or links with existing services to Launceston, Liskeard, Plymouth (including Derriford Hospital) via St Mellion, Kelly Bray, Gunnislake, Tavistock, Pensilva and nearby supermarkets. In regard to timings, there was demand for an early morning service (8am) returning in the late afternoon. A few replies expressed a need for an evening service for 15 - 18 year olds and those going out for the evening that would rather leave their car at home. A few comments were made regarding when/ where residents may use a taxi/car sharing service. These comments included week day trips to Callington and trips to Launceston for shopping.

Residents generally rated the school transport service to Callington Community College as being very important. Several thought that the service should be cheaper or even free and that the criteria for free transport should include those who cannot walk to school safely (eg. the Trevigro area). Only two respondents use school transport to their designated primary school, with three more using this service occasionally. 15 replied that they do not attend their designated school.

Key Partner: East Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership (ECRTP)

The East Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership works with communities to develop ways of improving local people’s access to employment, services and facilities. The Partnership aims to support and develop community transport and seeks to improve the availability of public transport information to help promote the integration of transport services. For more information see ‘definitions, partners and strategies’ section.

The Vision:

- An improved public transport service to enable residents to better access employment, activities and facilities.

Crime & Safety

Neighbourhood Watch

In line with the rest of the county, the Parish of South Hill is a relatively crime free and safe place. There are however concerns about anti-social behaviour (see fig. 3) and 90% of respondents were in favour of setting up a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme to help tackle such problems and alleviate concerns. 46 people were prepared to give some time to such a scheme, but stressed that it would only be successful if the police were kept on board.

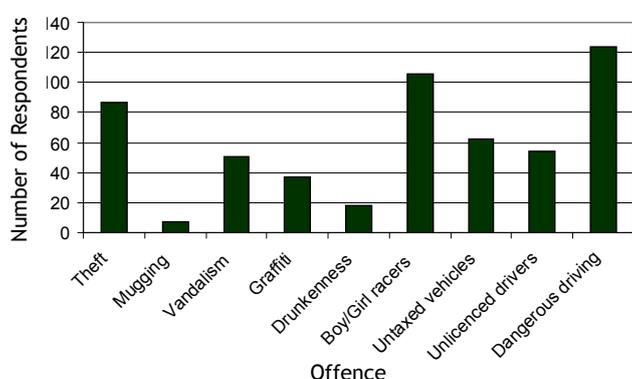


Fig. 3 Chart showing residents concerns about crime and anti-social behaviour in South Hill Parish.

Road Safety

Road safety was rated the highest priority at the event day, gaining 68 votes. The survey revealed that 65% of residents felt that there were danger spots on our roads. Nearly all of the perceived danger was as a result of bad driving, with 59% stating that speeding was a problem. The roads from Kerney Bridge, through Golberdon and on to the Beech Tree junction were highlighted as a particular area of concern. Residents made comments that drivers were not driving appropriately for the road conditions and had poor hazard perception (eg. failing to anticipate mud on the road). It was stated that the problem was at its worst during the times when many drivers would be going to or returning from work. In terms of solutions to excessive speed in the Parish, 59% would support traffic calming. However, there were several comments made disapproving of speed bumps. Introducing lower speed limits of 20 and 30mph on dangerous roads was favoured by many, while others also felt that Speedvisor flashing signs were also needed. Some residents felt that additional speed limits would not help as people would ignore them, highlighting

the importance of their enforcement by the police. Many people stated that they felt the main culprits (with regard to speeding) were ‘boy racers’, and that educating such drivers about road safety might help.

Poor visibility issues were highlighted at Golberdon crossroads when approaching from Trevigro, and in Bray Shop at the junction between Trefinnick Road and the main road (which has been made worse by a new entrance). In regard to Bray Shop, there is a Local Member Scheme for visibility improvements in this location, currently at the initial stages of assessment. ‘Beech Tree’ junction was noted as another danger spot, as drivers often have to reverse towards the main road in order to pass others in narrow areas. It was suggested that safety could be improved by having a sign showing precedence, so that cars would only reverse towards Golberdon. For a full lists of dangerous locations commonly sited by residents, please refer to the action plan.

Parking

Compared to dangerous junctions and speeding, car parking was not perceived as a serious problem. Areas where it was cited as a problem (eg. limiting visibility) include, Bray Shop, Golberdon, Trewoodloe, the ‘T’ junction to Tregonnett, Egypt, outside the Church and Maders. Comments were made however, that parked cars in places such as Golberdon help slow down speeding motorists.

The Visions:

- A neighbourhood watch scheme to be set up in various areas of the Parish.
- Safer roads in the Parish through reducing excessive speed on and improving visibility at junctions.

Health

Accessing health care is vital to any community. Some residents, however, stated they have problems accessing certain facilities (see fig. 3) . 85% of respondents had a problem registering with an NHS dentist and 30% had a problem registering with a private dentist.

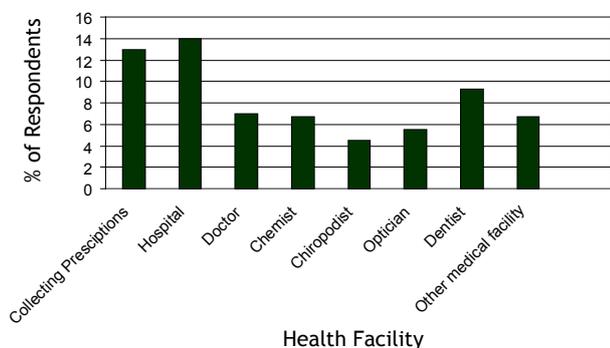


Fig. 4 Chart showing the percentages of respondents having problems accessing particular health care facilities.

Several residents commented that access to many of health services would be much more difficult if they were unable to drive and were concerned about how they would manage in the future. Other comments referred to the lack of public transport to health care facilities. 30% of respondents thought that organised transport to the doctors' surgeries would be either extremely or very useful.

It was suggested that the appointment making system at the Health Centre could be improved by making better provision for those who worked, especially out of the area, by having some appointments week day at 8.00 am, while also opening on Saturdays. The consultation highlighted that not everyone knew that you could now make appointments in advance. It was also felt by many residents that the facilities at the Health Centre had not been extended to cater for the number of people moving into the area.

The Callington Health Centre has recently introduced a facility for ordering repeat prescriptions on its web-site. There were only three comments, all very positive, from people who knew that this facility

'Parking on the bend at the top of the hill makes it impossible for large vehicles to negotiate the bend'

Resident's Comment

'We tried to start a Neighbourhood watch scheme before, but the police lost interest. We need to ensure that they are kept onboard.'

Resident's Comments

existed. Many more have tried this facility now that they know about it. 78% of residents however have a problem collecting prescriptions. Problems were experienced because the pharmacy at the health centre was closed at lunch time and outside office hours.

The Vision:

- Improved availability and access to health facilities.

Community Facilities & Activities

South Hill Parish Hall

The Parish Hall in Golberdon is run by a Hall Committee of local volunteers. The Committee are responsible for maintaining the building, organising bookings and fund raising. The hall is equipped with a modern kitchen and toilets and can accommodate a variety of social gatherings. However, only one respondent stated that they use the hall on a weekly basis, while 14 stated that they use it monthly and 47 residents stated they use it occasionally. 167 respondents said that they never use the hall. Several groups, however, hold regular meetings in the Hall and it would seem that some residents do not regard attending these meeting as actually using the hall. Attendance therefore may be better than the figures actually indicate.

46% (87 people) thought improvements to the hall were needed. There were numerous requests for a better heating system. Other requests included painting the outside of the hall and providing easier ways of boiling water for hot drinks, a dishwasher and a microwave. There were suggestions also that a better surface for the car park was needed, along with a sheltered outside BBQ area.

At least 17 residents in South Hill Parish stated they were willing to join the Hall Committee. There were also 44 cleaners and 52 decorators that were prepared to do their bit for the Parish Hall.



'I think Golberdon Hall is an excellent facility that we are really lucky to have.'

Resident's Comment

Golberdon Recreation Field

The recreation field and play area is managed directly by the Parish Council. Much of the maintenance is carried out by volunteers. Improvements suggested by residents included the removal of dead branches from the large trees, revamping/replacing the 'changing room' (the changing room has since been removed) and tackling the litter problem (possibly by providing litter bins). Other suggestions included adding markings for running field sports, providing running/cycling/push chair track around the field, developing a bowling green, building a skate park and climbing wall, and installing picnic tables. The consultation revealed that 28 residents were prepared to help maintain the field.

Activities & Events

There are already some social activities based in the Parish. A total of 152 people wanted to take part in additional activities, with 34 people saying they would take an active part in organising them. The most popular additional activities that residents expressed an interest in included -

- Adult education classes (evenings) - 83 votes
- Exercise classes - 75 votes
- Arts and drama performances - 62 votes
- Local history group - 58 votes
- Adult education classes (daytime) - 50 votes
- Skittles - 49 votes
- Indoor bowls - 47 votes
- 'Come Dancing' evenings - 47 votes

There were a large number of other activities cited which are listed in the survey report. It was also noted that some were quite happy to accept that limited social activities was part of living in a peaceful rural area.



Mobile Library

47% (115 people) said they would use the mobile library service if it was available in the Parish. At the event most were in favour of a monthly service, although the current service in Cornwall operates on a fortnightly basis. Only 6 people had a preference for the timings of visits, 3:15 pm being the most popular time (to coincide with the school bus). Golberdon Hall car park was suggested as a suitable location for the library van to stop.

Children & Young People

It is important that the needs of children and young people in the Parish are not overlooked, and they should be involved in Parish projects as much as possible, especially if the project is concerned with youth issues. Some residents highlighted the need for opportunities for young people from rural areas to meet socially on a regular basis. Clubs for young people, such as a Cub and/or Scout group, were proposed. For a small community with few young people, it was suggested that their needs may be best served by 'outreach youth services'.

Many requests throughout the consultation were made for better play equipment, as well as eradicating moles from the area and fitting a safer latch on the gate to the road. At its September meeting the Parish Council discussed the surface under the swings. It was highlighted that suitable bark chippings were difficult to obtain and need regular raking back under the swings to be effective. Enquiries are being made into the possibilities to obtain grant funding for a permanent maintenance free surface. This will probably take some time, so as a stop gap measure the area is to be covered with sand.

The Visions:

- A more diverse range of activities available to local residents of all ages.
- Improve Hall and field facilities at Golberdon to better suit the needs of the community.
- Provision of a mobile library service, visiting the Parish on a fortnightly basis.

47% of residents said they would use a Mobile Library Service.

Statistic taken from the South Hill Parish Survey

78% of residents have a problem collecting prescriptions because of the times of opening hours at the pharmacy.

Statistic taken from the South Hill Parish Survey



When asked which other ways residents would like to obtain information -

- 99 would be interested in an e-mailed Parish newsletter.
- 74 would like information via email from the Parish Council.
- 63 would be interested in subscribing to a Parish newsletter.
- 62 would like information via email from Caradon District Council.
- 29 would be interested in regular District Councillor surgeries.

Many residents were in favour of a Parish domain name and paid-for web hosting, with the possibility of parish email addresses. The cost of this option would be around £50 per year.

The Vision:

- Improved communication within the Parish between residents, Parish Council and District Council.

Children's pictures: Children were invited to get involved in the consultation and were asked to draw pictures of the type of play equipment they would like in the Parish.

Information & Communication

Effective information and communication throughout the Parish is vital to most of the issues highlighted in this Plan. At present there are notice boards in Golberdon, South Hill, Maders, Trevigro, Bray Shop and outside the Parish Hall. There is also a Parish website, www.golberdon.homestead.com, although the site is currently hosted free of charge and consequently limited to only 3 pages, awkward to maintain and does not at present get many hits. The Parish does not have its own magazine or newsletter.

The consultation highlighted that 149 people get information from the Parish notice boards. Only 21 used the Parish website, with a number of residents stating that they did not know it existed. Word-of-mouth was the most common way residents obtain information (174 residents), while 94 residents look in the Cornish Times. It was noted that communication between the Parish Council and residents could be improved, due to the fact that many residents were unaware of actions the Parish Council were taking to tackle issues (eg. dog fouling).





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Actions are presented in the order of priority given to them at the event day. It must be noted however that all of these issues were highlighted as important in the survey.

Priority 1: Road Safety Measures

Vision

Safer roads in the Parish through reducing excessive speed and improving visibility at junctions.

Actions

- Set up working group to explore possibilities:
 - » Setting lower speed limits (eg. the extension of a 30 mph speed limit from Golberdon to Maders)
 - » Additional signage to inform and warn motorists
 - » Improving visibility at junctions
 - » Educating motorists to drive more carefully
- Working group will need to liaise with/lobby Cornwall County Council - Highways and Road Safety departments, using data from the Parish Plan to back up the case for improvements.
- Contact local County Councillor to discuss matters further and to establish whether there is a possibility of developing schemes to be funded from the Local Member Budget.
- Contact CCC Divisional Surveyor for details about planned work in the Bray Shop area.
- Enforcement issues (eg. speed limits, illegal parking) will need to be looked at in partnership with Devon & Cornwall Police.
- Additional monitoring of roads will be necessary to help make the case for improvements. Such monitoring should include beginning and end of the work day, where residents cited safety to be a particular issue.
- Working group should feedback ideas/progress to community. This is particularly important when dealing with issues such as extra signage and parking on roads, where there may be conflicting views from members of the community.
- Other initiatives could also be looked into.

Linked Issues

- Conservation and Preservation - Residents highlighted that they appreciated the lack of intrusive road signage in the Parish.
- Public Transport Service - More people travelling by public transport would help cut traffic on the roads (particularly if services are timed to coincide with working hours).
- Housing - Additional housing being built in the Parish will increase the volumes of traffic on roads, as well as the need for parking.

Locations

Excessive speed:

- Maders
- Maders to Callington
- Golberdon to Kerney Bridge
- Bray Shop (B3257)
- Egypt Lane
- B3257 between Higher Manaton and the junction with the A388.

Parked cars:

- Bray Shop
- Golberdon
- Junction at Egypt
- Junction at Bowling Green with the A388 (Outside Parish)

Poor visibility:

- Golberdon Crossroads (when approaching from Trevigro)
- Bray Shop (junction between Treffinick road and main road)

Priority issues:

- Taylors Shop (junction between the A388 and B3257)
- 'Beech Tree' junction

On the lesser used roads in the Parish a few residents identified speeding as a problem at Trevigro Road, Golberdon, Woodcocks Well, Penwarden, past the Church in South Hill and past the Old School House.

Partners

Working Group should liaise with:

- Parish Council
- Cornwall County Council - Highways & Road Safety Unit
- Devon & Cornwall Police
- East Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership
- Local Residents

Other Partners may include:

- Driving Standards Agency
- RoSPA

Useful Information:

- Think! - www.thinkroadsafety.gov.uk
- Highway Code - www.highwaycode.gov.uk
- Department Of Transport Website - www.dft.gov.uk

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall Local Transport Plan 2
- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Priority 2: Conservation & Preservation

Vision

Areas of particular importance to the Parish, both of the built and natural environment, to be preserved and protected.

Actions

- Set-up a working group to lead on the issue.
- Investigate the possibilities of setting up a nature reserve on the riverbank between the Lynher and Tregonnet woods, liaising with landowners and bodies such as English Nature.
- Parish to remain free of street lighting and intrusive signage.
- Investigate the possibilities of providing a designated area for motorcycle scrambling to reduce impact on the environment and reduce disturbance to residents.
- Investigate the possibilities of re-instating the 'trough' at Trewolland.
- Dogs owners to be encouraged to be responsible for their dogs (keeping them on leads, cleaning up dog fouling etc.).
- Further investigate whether more dog bins and signage are necessary.
- Liaise with Caradon dog warden to discuss increasing the amount of coverage provided in the Parish.

Locations

Specific locations cited to be preserved by residents include:

- St Sampson's Church and Churchyard
- The Parish Hall
- Playing Field
- Playground
- Allotments
- War Memorial
- Well & Trough at Lamberts Well
- Pump at Egypt
- Wells At Mornick and Berrio
- Kerney Bridge
- 'Trough' at Trewolland (re-instate)
- Lynher valley - esp. between Bicton and Kerney bridges

Most popular location for a nature reserve:

- Riverbank between the Lynher and Tregonnet woods.

Partners

Key partners include:

- Working Group
- Parish Council
- Local Residents
- Land Owners
- Caradon District Council - Conservation Officer
- Cornwall County Council

Other partners may include:

- English Nature
- English Heritage
- Cornwall Wildlife Trust
- Environment Agency
- Groundwork Trust
- British Trust for Conservation Volunteers (BTCV)

For information on funding for projects visit www.cornwallmoneymatters.org.uk.

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy
- Caradon Local Plan/Local Development Framework
- Cornwall Structure Plan/South West Regional Spatial Strategy

Linked Issues

- Litter - Many residents felt that there were litter problems which were detrimental to the environment.
- Public Transport - More residents using public transport would help cut the environmental impacts of car use (eg. pollution and congestion).
- Energy Conservation - Reducing the reliance on fossil fuels is key to helping cut pollution. Projects such as a community wind farm could be a way of tackling this issue on a local scale. However, visual impacts of such a project would need to be considered, ensuring that it was not of detriment to the landscape.

Priority 3: Recycling

Vision

Improved and extended kerbside recycling/garden waste recycling to further increase the amount of waste recycled by the Parish.

Actions

- Liaise with Caradon District Council to discuss the feasibility of extending and improving the kerbside recycling service, increasing the variety of waste products that can be recycled and looking at ways to tackle storage issues.
- Investigation into developing a local scheme for recycling garden waste.
- Liaise with local schools regarding educating children about recycling.

Locations

Parish wide

Partners

- Parish Council
- Caradon District Council - Recycling Service
- Cornwall County Council - Environmental Department
- Local Residents
- Local Businesses
- Local School

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy
- Cornwall Local Waste Plan

Linked Issues

- Communication - Advertising and promoting recycling throughout the Parish is of key importance.
- Litter

Priority 4: Communication

Vision

Improved communication within the Parish between residents, Parish Council and District Council.

Actions

- Investigate the possibilities of producing a Parish news letter.
- Seek sponsorship from local businesses for a Parish news letter
- Develop an email list to distribute a Parish newsletter electronically.
- Parish Council to email information (eg. meeting minutes, agendas for future meetings) to interested residents.
- Discuss with Caradon District Council the possibilities of regularly circulating information to residents.
- Purchase a parish domain name and expand the website, seeking input from residents.

Locations

Parish wide

Partners

- Parish Council
- Caradon District Council
- Local Residents
- Local Businesses

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Linked Issues

All issues

Priority 5: Litter

Vision

A reduction of litter/littering throughout the Parish.

Actions

- Liaise with District Council regarding the problem of litter being spilled during refuse collection.
- Volunteer group to be set up to instigate litter picks in areas highlighted by residents as litter hot spots.
- Investigate ways of educating people to dispose of their litter correctly.
- Liaise with Caradon District Council in regard to the possibilities of additional litter bins being placed in the Parish where litter is a problem. Factors such as getting bins emptied regularly will have to be considered.
- Liaise with local schools in regard to educational projects for young people about littering and waste.

Locations

- On roads
- Playing Field (after football matches)

Partners

- Parish Council
- Caradon District Council
- Cornwall County Council
- Volunteer Group
- Local Residents
- Local Schools

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall Local Waste Plan
- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Linked Issues

Other key issue that need to be considered when working on this issue include -

- Recycling - Recycling of litter and waste should be promoted.
- Recreation Activities - There is need to ensure that litter is not left after football matches etc.
- Conservation and Preservation - Keeping the environment litter free was a key priority for many residents.

Priority 6: Recreational Activities

Vision

A more diverse range of activities available to local residents of all ages.

Actions

- Investigate the potential of holding additional activities in the Parish such as Adult Education classes, exercise classes, arts and drama performances, a local history group, dancing and bowls.
- Identify volunteers to help run clubs.
- Research possible funding available to initiate activities (if necessary).
- Investigate accessing activities outside the Parish (eg. Callington), considering whether it may be more feasible to help residents access certain facilities elsewhere instead of providing them within the Parish.
- Further work should take place with the young people in the Parish to develop their ideas on issues that concern them. It is also important to bear in mind young people's changing needs and interests as they get older.

Locations

- Parish Hall
- Other venues to be identified (eg. Outside of the Parish)

Partners

- Parish Council
- Local Residents
- Local clubs, Groups and Organisations
- Local Volunteers
- Cornwall County Council - Adult Education, Youth Service
- Caradon District Council
- Carn to Cove Touring Scheme
- East Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Linked Issues

- The Parish Hall & Field at Golberdon - As these facilities are likely to play host to any additional activities in the Parish, it is important any projects regarding activities are linked in with projects regarding the upgrading of the hall/field to ensure that the current facilities/upgraded facilities will be suitable for the activities required. Demand for additional activities in the hall will need to be demonstrated to help secure funding.
- Public Transport - This is a key issue in terms of looking at ways residents could access activities they require both inside and outside of the Parish.
- Communication - Activities will need to be well advertised to help ensure that enough people attend to make sure the activity is sustainable.

Priority 7: Neighbourhood Watch

Vision

A neighbourhood watch scheme to be set up in various areas of the Parish.

Actions

- Liaise with residents and Devon & Cornwall Police to identify specific areas where a neighbourhood watch scheme could be set-up, seeking co-ordinator and volunteers.

Locations

- To be determined through consulting residents

Partners

- Local Residents
- Devon and Cornwall Police
- Parish Council
- Caradon District Council
- Cornwall County Council

Useful Information

- Neighbourhood Watch - www.neighbourhoodwatch.net
- Devon and Cornwall Police - www.devon-cornwall.police.uk

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Linked Issues

- Road Safety

Priority 8: Public Transport

Vision

An improved public transport service to enable residents to better access employment, activities and facilities.

Actions

- Support the appointment of a Local Transport Representative (LTR) by the Parish Council.
- Parish Council and LTR to support and encourage the improvements (eg. destinations, reliability, timings) of bus services.
- Seek advice from East Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership (ECRTP) officer regarding funding for projects such as display boards and household leaflets.
- Further research will be required, building on Parish Plan data, to determine residents transport needs. This could include an assessment of current public transport provision, accessibility to key services and facilities and collecting more detailed information on resident's travel requirements. Before going ahead with any research contact ECRTP.
- LTR and ECRTP to enter into discussions with Cornwall County Council and relevant bus operators regarding improvements to bus services.
- Work with neighbouring Parishes to help prove the case for improvements to services.
- Involve young people to ensure that their needs are considered.
- Further investigate initiatives such as car sharing.

Locations

Throughout Parish.

Specific destinations include:

- Launceston
- Liskeard
- Plymouth (including Deriford hospital)
- Kelly Bray
- Gunnislake
- Tavistock
- Pensilva
- Supermarkets

Partners

- Parish Council
- Local Transport Representative
- East Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership
- Cornwall County Council - Passenger Transport Unit
- Public Transport Providers
- Local Residents
- Funding and Advisory Bodies
- Surrounding Parishes

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall Local Transport Plan 2
- Caradon Local Plan/ Local Development Framework
- Cornwall Structure Plan/South West Regional Spatial Strategy
- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Linked Issues

Other key issues that need to be considered when working on this issue include -

- Road Safety - Encouraging greater use of public transport/car sharing etc. can help cut the amount of traffic on the roads, and therefore help make roads safer.
- Conservation and Preservation - Cutting car use will help ease pollution and congestion, helping enhance the local environment.
- Communication - Bus times, car sharing etc. Needs to be well publicised so that people are aware of the service available.
- Housing - It is important that any further housing built in the Parish is served by public transport to help residents become less reliant on private cars.
- Doctors Surgery - Access to health facilities should be borne in mind when looking at service provision.

Priority 9: Health Facilities

Vision

Improved availability and access to health facilities.

Actions

- Investigate the possibilities of providing organised transport to health facilities.
- Contact local MP to gain support for lobbying for increased amounts of NHS dental provision.
- Liaise with Callington Health Centre regarding extending opening hours - prescriptions and appointments.
- Advertise and promote the web based repeat prescription order service and the opportunities to book advanced appointments at the Health Centre
- Feed residents' views through the Patient Forum.

Locations

- Callington
- Plymouth

Partners

- Parish Council
- Local Residents - Especially those with transport difficulties (eg. elderly, disabled etc.)
- Local MP
- Health Authority
- Callington Surgery
- Patient Forum
- Cornwall Primary Care Trust
- Health Action Zone
- Caradon District Council
- Cornwall County Council
- East Cornwall Rural Transport Partnership

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Linked Issues

Other key issue that need to be considered when working on this issue include -

- Public Transport - Residents stated that without access to a private car, accessing facilities would be very difficult. Therefore alternative modes of transport need to be available to ensure that all resident's can reach the facilities they need.
- Housing - Health facilities will need to be able to cope with increased demand if more housing is built.
- Communication - Health services and facilities need to be well publicised to ensure that residents know what is available and where, how and when they can access the facilities they need.

Priority 10: Housing

Vision

Development of a strategic plan to meet housing needs within the Parish.

Actions

- Monitor need for low cost affordable housing of all tenures through district/local housing needs surveys.
- Parish Council to liaise with Caradon District Council, with the aim of insuring that residents views are fed into any plans for future housing development.
- Residents to be kept well informed of any housing proposals, being invited to meetings early on in the planning process.
- Any housing development to be on a small scale, being built in a style sympathetic to the local environment.
- Infrastructure issues (eg. sewage system, public transport, parking , facilities etc) to be addressed early in the Planning process.

Locations

To be identified

Partners

- Parish Council
- Caradon District Council - Housing Enabler and Planning Departments
- Local Residents
- Housing Corporation
- Housing Providers - Housing Associations, Private Developers
- Local Landowners
- Cornwall County Council
- Cornwall Sustainable Building Trust (CSBT)

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy
- Cornwall Structure Plan
- South West Regional Spatial Strategy

Linked Issues

- Energy Conservation - Any new housing should be built to be as energy efficient as possible. Such measures will help ensure that additional housing has less environmental impact, as well as also being more affordable to heat.
- Road Safety - Additional housing is likely to increase the volume of traffic on the roads.
- Conservation and Preservation - Housing needs to be sympathetic to the local environment and be on a small scale.
- Communication - Good communication between the Parish Council, District Council, residents and other partners is vital to ensure the success of the planning process.
- Public Transport - New housing development should ideally be served by a public transport service.

Priority 11: Parish Hall and field facilities

Vision

Improve the Parish Hall and field facilities at Golberdon to better suit the needs of the community.

Actions

- Conduct an audit of the current hall, investigating costs involved in upgrading the hall to suit the needs of the community (eg. installing a better heating system, painting the outside of the hall, installing a dishwasher and microwave, resurfacing the car park and providing a BBQ area).
- Seek volunteers and funding to help with upgrading, maintenance, up keep and running of the hall.
- Seek advice from Cornwall Rural Community Council Community Buildings Advisor.
- Investigate energy efficiency measures to make running the hall more environmentally friendly/ sustainable.
- Consider what other services could be offered in the hall (eg. Visiting health care service.)
- Consider possible improvements to recreational field based (eg. track marking, tackling the litter problem etc.).
- Contact Prohelp to see whether the service is able to provide any free help for projects (eg. architectural advice, financial guidance, budgeting etc.).
- If changes to the hall are proposed, hold a community event to allow residents to look at the proposals and make comment.
- Look into transport issues regarding people accessing the hall (especially those such as the young and elderly who may have limited access to transport).
- Investigate whether the Hall could be used for other uses such as training, employment and health related events.
- Continue project to improve playground facilities, involving children in the project as much as possible.

Locations

- Golberdon

Partners

- Parish Hall Committee
- Playing Field Committee
- Parish Council
- Local Residents
- Local Volunteers
- Cornwall Rural Community Council - Community Buildings Advisor and Rural Services Officer.
- National Playing Field Association

Other Partners could include:

- Cornwall Primary Care Trust
- Local Business
- Training Providers

Useful information:

- Cornwall Money Matters - www.cornwallmoneymatters.org.uk
- Information advice sheets on community buildings (produced by ACRE) are available. Please contact Cornwall Rural Community Council's Community Buildings Advisor for more information.

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Linked Issues

- Recreational Activities - Demand for activities in the hall will need to be demonstrated when applying for funding.
- Communication - Good communication is vital to ensure residents know what's on at the hall. It is also needed to help gain volunteers and support when work on the hall needs to be done.
- Mobile Library Service - The Hall car park was suggested as a location for a mobile library service to stop.
- Energy Efficiency - Any future developments to the hall facilities need to take energy efficiency measures into consideration to increase the sustainability of the building.

Priority 12: Mobile Library Service

Vision

Provision of a mobile library service, visiting the Parish on a fortnightly basis.

Actions

- Liaise with the Cornwall Library Service to discuss the possibilities of extending the service to include South Hill Parish, using consultation data to highlight demand.
- Further consult with residents to clarify need for the service.

Locations

Possible locations for the service include -

- Golberdon Hall car park
- Outside South Hill Church

Partners

- Local Residents
- Parish Council
- Cornwall County Council - Library Service

Linked Strategies

- Communication - If the mobile library service is extended to the Parish it is important that it is well publicised to help ensure it is well used.

Linked Issues

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Priority 13: Energy Conservation

Vision

Households/businesses in the Parish to become more energy efficient, in conjunction with the Parish looking into alternative sources for future energy supply.

Actions

- Contact Community Energy Plus to discuss possibilities or alternative energy (eg. community wind farm)/energy efficiency (eg. housing insulation) projects in the Parish, inviting them to a meeting in the Parish to inform residents about such topics.
- If embarking on any energy projects (particularly wind power), involve Caradon District Council Planning Officers very early on in the process.
- Publicise and promote ways in which households and businesses can become more energy efficient.
- Involve young people in energy/educational projects.

Locations

Parish wide. Specific locations to be determined when a project is being devised.

Partners

- Parish Council
- Local Residents
- Community Energy Plus
- Caradon District Council
- Cornwall County Council
- Cornwall Sustainable Building Trust (CSBT)

Linked Strategies

- Cornwall/Caradon Community Strategy

Linked Issues

- Golberdon Hall and Field - Any future developments to the hall facilities need to take energy efficiency into consideration to increase the sustainability of the building.
- Housing - New housing should be built to be as sustainable and energy efficient as possible.
- Recreation Facilities - Alternative forms of energy could be used for recreational facilities. For example, if looking into providing additional lighting for the playing field, solar powered lights could be an option to investigate.
- Public Transport - Cutting car use through increasing the number of journeys made using public transport is a key way to help cut reliance on fossil fuels.



Partners, Strategies & Definitions

This section provides information that should be useful when implementing the action.

British Trust for Conservation Volunteers (BTCV) - A trust that works with people/volunteers on educational/environmental projects. For more information visit www.btcv.org.

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

Caradon District Council:

- **Dog Warden -** Caradon District Council operate a dog warden service as a part of its animal welfare section. The service offers advice regarding dog control, dog fouling, lost or stray dogs, and the micro chipping of dogs. It also investigates noise from barking dogs.
- **Recycling Service -** Caradon District Council provides recycling facilities to allow households to separate their domestic waste, so that it can be recovered for re-use or conversion to new products for the benefit of the environment. The service provides recycling banks for a wide range of materials, collects recyclable materials (including glass, paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, textiles and cans) from households within the District, collects garden waste fortnightly for centralised composting from March to November and can provide educational talks to schools and other organisations when requested.
- **Local Development Framework (LDF) -** A strategy that will replace the Caradon Local Plan. The Council state they intend to start work on the Local Development Framework once the Local Plan First Alteration has been adopted and the emerging Regional Spatial Strategy becomes clearer. A useful guide to local development frameworks can be found at www.planningportal.gov.uk.
- **Local Plan (2004) -** Currently undergoing alteration, the Caradon Local Plan (which will in the future be replaced by the Caradon Local Development Framework) is the document used by Caradon to decide planning applications and allocate new land for housing and employment. Particular topics within the Plan that are of relevance to the South Hill Plan are:
 - » **Housing -** Caradon have recently produced eight Topic Papers on key Local Plan issues, which explain the Council's position on various matters ahead of holding a Local Plan Inquiry. Of particular importance to South Hill Parish is the Affordable Housing Topic Paper. This paper justifies the need for strong policies in the Re-Deposit Local Plan to deliver affordable housing, identified by the Council as the most important strategic issue and adopted as the number one corporate priority. The plan seeks to improve

local affordable housing delivery whilst ensuring that development is sustainable and viable.

- » **Recreation and Leisure -** Objectives include: to protect existing facilities and open spaces from development, to ensure adequate children's play spaces are provided with new housing developments and to identify areas where new childrens play spaces are needed and encourage such development.
- » **Transport -** Caradon District Council state they will seek to ensure that adequate bus services between rural areas and main towns are maintained and improved where possible, to enable residents of settlements to have reasonable access to employment opportunities, shopping recreation and medical facilities.

Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) -

This statement will form part of Caradon's Local Development Framework, highlighting how the Council will involve the community in the Planning process.

For more information on services and policies of Caradon DC visit www.caradon.gov.uk.

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

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

Community Matters - See National Federation of Community Organisations.

Cornwall Association of Local Councils (CALC) - The association offers a range of services to member councils, such as legal advice, policy advice, training and support obtaining Quality Status. For more information visit www.captc.co.uk.

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

groups for young people's projects. For more information visit www.cornwallfoundation.com.

Cornwall County Council:

- **Adult Learning** - Cornwall County Council offer an adult learning service. The closest adult learning centre to South Hill is situated in Callington. A full list of courses can be viewed on the County Council website.
- **Highways** - The Highways Development Control team represents the County Council as the Highway Authority and is responsible for making statutory consultation responses on highway related elements of planning applications which are determined by the District Councils.
- **Mobile Library Service** - The Cornwall Library Service has a fleet of mobile libraries that visit villages and hamlets fortnightly throughout Cornwall.
- **Road Safety Unit** - Road Safety in Cornwall is co-ordinated by the Road Safety Unit, who are responsible for an ongoing programme of Education, Training and Publicity. The Unit also co-ordinates and provides information, advice and resources. Activities managed by the service include Community Education Road Safety, The Driver & Rider Training Team, The Publicity Team (promoting local and national road safety issues within the County and raising public awareness), The Travel Awareness Team (focusing on sustainable transport and travel initiatives linked to objectives within the LTP2) and School Crossing Patrol Recruitment and Training.
- **Passenger Transport Unit (PTU)** - The PTU provides a range of services, including devising a network of passenger transport, monitoring the efficiency of the bus services and making the day-to-day modifications to the network.
- **Youth Service** - The service provides personal development opportunities for young people, predominantly in the 13-19 age range, assisting them in developing into mature and responsible adults. The service offers planned learning experiences, usually for groups of young people, often through social and recreational activity.

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

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

Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Primary Care Trust - Part of the NHS, the Trust aims to deliver better health services and to improve the health of local people. The Trust works closely with GP practices and directly provide a wide range of health services in the community. These include five community hospitals and the services provided by district nurses, midwives, health visitors, physiotherapists, occupational therapists and many others. The Trust also fund hospital care in acute hospitals and ensures that this and other specialist treatment is available to people living in the area. For more information visit www.cornwall.nhs.uk.

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

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

Cornwall & Caradon Community Strategies - The Cornwall Local Strategic Partnership/Community Strategy, is an initiative which offers a joint approach on a county level for dealing with community needs, aiming to improve quality of life and helping to ensure that services are delivered as economically and efficiently as possible.

The Caradon Community Strategy takes this forward at a district level. The strategy covers a range of topics relevant to the South Hill Parish Plan including:

- » Thriving communities who consider the impact of their actions on present and future generations.
- » Environmentally responsible communities where people look after themselves and each other, with good local health care.
- » Healthy communities where people know what's going on and where to get help and advice when needed.
- » Informed communities where people feel safe in their homes and neighbourhoods.
- » Safe communities where people can develop themselves and their skills, fulfil their aspirations and have the capacity to adapt to change.
- » Learning communities where everyone has an equal opportunity to fulfil their potential.

- » Fair communities where people enjoy themselves and have access to leisure, entertainment and cultural activities.

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

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

Cornwall Rural Community Council (CRCC) - A charity dedicated to helping rural communities in Cornwall. It can be contacted for help and advice. Amongst the CRCC services there is a Social Inclusion Worker, with an emphasis on young people projects, as well as funding advice and a Community Building Advisory Service. For more information visit www.cornwallrcc.co.uk.

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

Cornwall Sustainable Building Trust (CSBT) - A charitable company committed to making building design and construction as sustainable as possible, with minimal negative impact on the environment, both locally and globally. For more information visit www.csbt.org.uk.

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

Cornwall Waste Local Plan - This document provides a broad overall strategy for the management of future waste in Cornwall. The main issues which have been addressed in the Plan are the effective management of all waste, a re-examination of how waste is currently handled, what new approaches should be adopted to deal with future waste, how to increase the current rates of re-use, recovery of materials and energy and the provision of facilities/sites. A copy of the plan is available at www.cornwall.gov.uk.

Cornwall Wildlife Trust - Cornwall Wildlife Trust is a registered charity which organises a range of wildlife-related events and activities throughout its

reserves in Cornwall. It also supports many wildlife and conservation specialist groups, many of which are voluntary, working on a variety of projects. For more information visit www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk.

Department of Transport - The Department for Transport's objective is to oversee the delivery of a reliable, safe and secure transport system that responds efficiently to the needs of individuals and business whilst safeguarding the environment. For more information visit www.dft.gov.uk.

Driving Standards Agency (DSA) - The Driving Standards Agency is a trading fund that sets standards for drivers, riders and instructors, provides driver education and learning resources, registers and supervisors driving instructors and carries out driving assessments. For more information visit www.dsa.gov.uk.

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

English Heritage - An organisation that works in partnership with central government departments, local authorities, voluntary bodies and the private sector to conserve and enhance the historic environment, broaden public access to the heritage and increase people's understanding of the past. For more information visit www.english-heritage.org.uk.

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

Environment Agency - The leading public body for protecting and improving the environment in England and Wales, charged with making sure that air, land and water are looked after for the benefit of today's society, as well as future generations. For more information visit www.environment-agency.gov.uk.

Federation of Small Businesses - A campaign and pressure group that works to protect the interests of self-employed people and small firms. Subscribing

members can benefit from specialist advice and practical assistance. For more information visit www.fsb.org.uk.

Groundwork Trust (South West) - A trust dedicated to build sustainable communities in areas of need through joint environmental action. For more information visit www.groundwork.org.uk.

National Federation of Community Organisations/Community Matters - A nationwide federation for community associations that aims to support and develop capacity, representing their interests at a national level. For more information visit www.communitymatters.org.uk.

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

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

Pro-Help - This is an initiative consisting of a network of firms that give free professional support to voluntary and community groups in Cornwall, on a one-off basis. ProHelp is run by Business in the Community, a national charitable organisation which helps businesses 'give something back' to their local communities. Members of ProHelp include surveyors, architects, accountants, solicitors, public relations and marketing specialists, engineers, and designers. Examples of ProHelp work include solicitors giving advice on charitable status, helping with lease negotiations and drawing up legal contracts; accountants helping with the writing of business plans and financial planning; and surveyors conducting property and construction surveys and offering health and safety advice.

Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) - A charity dedicated to accident prevention through campaigning for change, influencing opinion, contributing to debate, educating and informing. For more information visit www.rospace.org.uk.

Rural Shops Alliance (RSA) - A national trade association that operates exclusively for and on behalf of the owners of independent village shops. Its aim is to support and inform owners of village shops and to encourage rural retailers to become more pro-active and professional in operating their businesses. The RSA is also a lobbying organisation, working with and on behalf of rural retailers on a whole range of issues,

largely to combat the increasing burden of red tape upon village shops. For more information visit www.rural-shops-alliance.co.uk.

South West Regional Spatial Strategy - The Regional Spatial Strategy is currently in draft form. The strategy will look forward to 2026 and is designed to manage the change and development in the South West. The strategy will influence the future planning of the region in a number of ways:

- » As part of the development plan system it provides guidance on the location and scale of development for interpretation in Local Development Frameworks (LDFs).
- » It guides investment in transport and provides a framework for the preparation of Local Transport Plans (LTPs).
- » It provides a spatial context for the plans, programmes and investment of other agencies and organisations in the South West.

For more information visit www.southwestrda.org.uk.

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

Sport England - A organisation that invests in projects which help people start, stay and succeed in sport. For more information visit www.sportengland.org.



Sustainable Development - A collection of methods aiming to achieve:

- » Social progress which recognises the needs of everyone.
- » Effective protection of the environment.
- » Prudent use of natural resources.
- » Maintenance of high and stable levels of economic growth and employment.

The UK Government has begun to incorporate sustainability into much of its policies, and Regional Development Agencies have a statutory duty to address sustainability. Local Authorities have also been addressing sustainability in their areas, through initiatives such as Local Agenda 21 (LA21). The concept of sustainability also needs to underpin any projects within a Parish Plan.

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

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

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

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

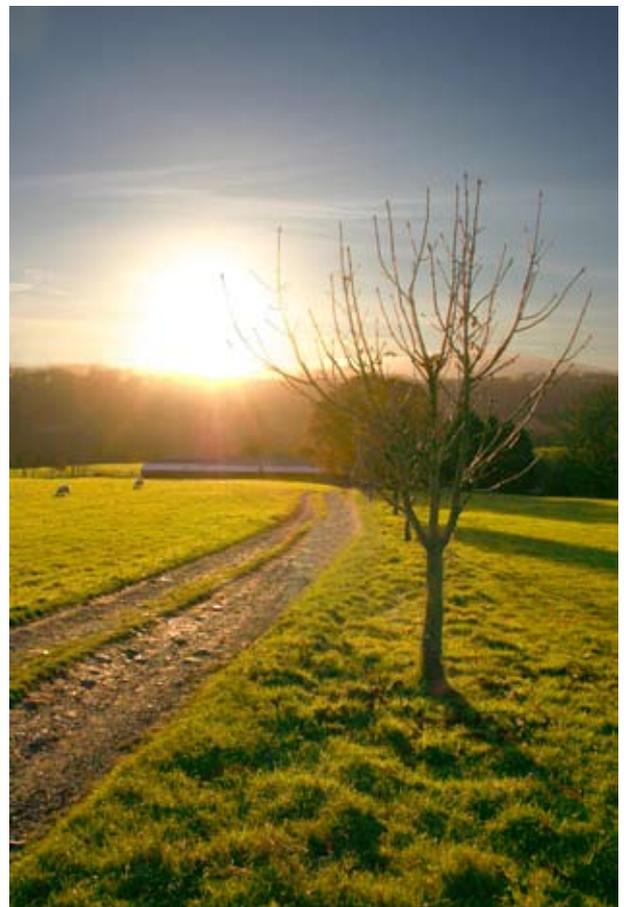
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