

## **Liskeard Active Travel Group**

## Terms of Reference

<u>Purpose of the working group</u> – This group has been formally established to work with Cornwall Council on the delivery of Liskeard Town Council's successful bid for £50,000 of Town Vitality Funding to commission a comprehensive feasibility study to:

- Identify the preferred option for a town centre cycle hub to link with the Liskeard to Looe multi use trail and Liskeard loop
- Improve multi use safety on key routes (Station Road, New Road/Dean Street, Plymouth Road and Charter Way)
- Improve public transport infrastructure within the town, redeveloping bus stops on Barras Street
- Development of a local cycling and walking infrastructure plan

The study should give a high priority to local travel to work and school.

It is anticipated that the feasibility study will unlock future funding opportunities which the group will investigate and make recommendations for progression.

In addition, the group will develop other active travel aspirations and improvements within the town such as those identified in the Liskeard Neighbourhood Development Plan for the protection and enhancement of connectivity within the town and the nearby countryside for pedestrians and cyclists.

## <u>Context</u> - This project fits with regeneration of Liskeard:

- providing high quality multi-use routes for the community linking key locations and green space (health and wellbeing benefits, improved accessibility, etc),
- improving the economy of Liskeard and the wider SE Cornwall hinterland it services,
- facilitating new business opportunities,
- creating an asset for people to visit (and spend money in the area),
- protecting the viability and vitality of the town centre,
- improving safety of journeys,
- improving connectivity with other towns (travel to work),
- aiding recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic,
- unlocking other funding opportunities,
- tackling deprivation,
- future proofing the transport network of the town, and
- delivering environmental benefits.

## Membership – The group will be clerked by the Deputy Town Clerk

- Liskeard Town Councillors: the Mayor and Councillors with an interest in active travel
- Cornwall Council Liskeard ward members
- Liskeard Town Forum
- Community members: David Orr and Peter Murnaghan
- Cornwall Council Officers linked to delivery
- Local cycle groups: Liskeard Velo, Cornwall CTC, Cycling UK

In developing proposals, the group will encourage contribution from members of the public and engage with consultee groups such as Devon and Cornwall Rail Partnership, Plymouth City Bus, SECTA, mobility/disability groups, local walk leaders, Caradon Hill Area Heritage Project and Safe 38.

The group will also liaise with similar representatives from Looe and Torpoint who are working on their own active travel projects, which are linked by the trails that connect them, to maximise opportunities to share information and develop proposals which complement each other.

The group will also engage with other projects where there is commonality of objectives, such as the Cornwall Council trails project and the Making Space for Nature programme.

<u>Reporting</u> – The group is not a decision-making body and will report and make recommendations for decision to full Council. Liskeard Town Council will be the accountable body for the grant.

The group will also be linked to the Cattle Market Working Group (While the focus of the CMWG is redevelopment of the cattle market, to ensure this is done within the context of what is happening in the wider town, the agenda includes updates and discussion on other projects within the town which would have an economic impact on the town and invites guest participants to report on other projects e.g., the new library provider.) This link will transfer to any future emerging town board or place shaping partnership.

Adoption – to be considered by Council 23 February 2021