

Saltash Neighbourhood Plan

Making Community Policy Topics

Objectives:

To meet the changing demand for Health, Education, and Community Services and Facilities.

To support the retention and improved provision of “Fit for Purpose” facilities and premises for the numerous clubs, organisations, public services and community facilities in the town.

Cornwall Local Plan Policy Ref : Policy 4. Shopping, Services and Community Facilities.

The Cornwall Local Plan states “*Community facilities are essential for local residents. They also impact on the health and wellbeing of communities. Any growth in jobs and homes needs to be supported by adequate infrastructure provision, this includes community facilities. It is important that these facilities and services are accessible to all.*

The definition of community facilities is wide ranging and includes public services, community centres and public halls, arts and cultural facilities, policing, fire and ambulance services, health and education facilities, public houses, public toilets, youth centres, nurseries, libraries, leisure centres, allotments, playing fields, social care facilities including day centres, places of worship and services provided by the community and voluntary sector.”

Saltash prides itself on the breadth of services it enjoys as well as the number and variety of clubs, and organisations which make it a distinctive parish which fosters community pride, community responsibility and community spirit. They are vital as they contribute to the quality of life for all ages as well as visitors.

These qualities need to be cherished, expanded and improved to permit improved travel accessibility, improved physical access improvements to premises to comply with Disability Discrimination Act requirements for all and to allow for planned population growth.

Reasoned Justification

Findings from the Resident’s Survey Questionnaire based upon a “Likert scale” where 1=not important to 5=upmost importance.

- Sites for additional medical and care facilities – 4.16.
- Better access and facilities for people with disabilities – 4.13
- Fairly meeting Community Needs without regard to age, income etc. – 4.11

Other Reference Documents :

A comprehensive list of such organisations can be found Saltash Town Council web-site under “Community.”

Comment : ?????

Proposed Policies

1 – To protect and limit the use of the area bounded by Callington Road, Tobruk Road, Alamein Road, Warfelton Crescent and served in part off Plougastel Drive solely for the provision of community facilities and services. For the avoidance of doubt this includes The Brunel Primary and Nursery Academy buildings and sites, the Saltash Health Centre building and site, The Saltash Library site, The Saltash Police Station site, The Saltash Leisure Centre site, Warfelton Field, Kimberley Stadium, The Tennis Club site and The Guides site.

2 – To protect and limit the use of the St Barnabus Hospital site and adjoining Port View Surgery site solely for the provision of community health, medical and hospital facilities and services. **Subject to NHS trust ?? providing alternative accessible services in the town/for the town ???**

3 – To ensure the construction of a new fit for purpose primary school and multi-generational community hub on the planned strategic Broadmoor Farm development.

4 - **To ensure the construction of new fit for purpose facilities to meet the needs of new communities in developments of 100 dwellings or more.**

5 - To work with groups, clubs and organisations (including public service providers) in the Town to achieve their future plans and intentions as derived from a “Community Audit.” And if deemed appropriate through the preparation of a Community Property Strategy and Plan for the Town.