



Virtual Community Engagement Forum Stoke Gifford, Stoke Park and Cheswick

Wednesday 30th September 2020

Present

Cllr Keith Cranney (KC)	Chair
Frank Middleton	Vice Chair
Marian Mussah (MM)	SGC Community Engagement Officer
Amy Evans (AE)	SGC Community Engagement Officer
Hazel Everett	SGC Note Taker
Rachael Williams-Lock	SGC Senior Communities Support Officer
Helen Bradley (HB)	SGC Public Health Team
Richard Gillingham (RG)	SGC Transport Policy and Asset Management
Alex Hagues	SGC ICT Support
Liza-Jane Gillespie	SGC Strategic Communications
Aaron Sims	SGC Conservative Political Group Assistant
Sgt Steve Ives (SI)	Avon and Somerset Police
Elizabeth Ball (EB)	Avon and Somerset Police
Kate Murphy	Neighbourhood Coach, Bromford Housing
Victoria Bradley	Network Rail Sponsor
Peter Jones	Network Rail
Cllr Ernie Brown	
Cllr Andrew Shore	
Plus 3 residents	

1 Welcome, apologies introductions new chairs and vice chairs and ground rules of meeting

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were given.

Apologies were received from

Brian Allinson
Jenny Cox-Ward
Pat Gardener.

2 Public Health Update

Helen Bradley (HB) gave a presentation (*see appendix 1*). Informed that the Public Health team give regular updates at CEF meetings as well as resident's updates. Residents can sign up for weekly updates.

Explained that the dashboard gives a daily figure of cases. There is a new addition to the dashboard of giving the rate of infection per 100,000 people. South

Gloucestershire has been hovering around being on the watch list but is in a better position than other localities in the UK. 20 cases per 100,000 is current national level. Need to continue with guidance to get cases down.

Key points

- The symptoms of Coronavirus
- Rule of 6 when meeting people inside and outdoor
- Engage in test and trace through the web portal or 119.

Q Disposable masks are thrown around when people come out of shops. Can there be a receptacle to put them in, and what is the impact of infection control regarding litter pickers (children)?

A Littering is not a Public Health matter. No official comment on infection control risk but there is minimal risk to litter pickers unless disposed masks are put on faces. Should be using a clicker to pick up litter and hand washing.

Action: SGC StreetCare to be asked to investigate the litter issue.

The forum was reminded that the official App has launched this week and QR codes should be available to scan for track and trace. People should download the App if they are able to. QR code display is a legal requirement for community settings and government guidance is available for how to get one.

3 Update from Avon Fire and Rescue Service (AFRS)

AFRS was unable to attend, no update has been received.

KC requested that in future AFRS attend and provide an update.

4 Update from Avon and Somerset Police

Sgt Ives explained that there has been a change in the members of the beat team. They have struggled with recruitment and have seen a large turnover of PCSOs due to the uplift of Police Officers by the government. There has been difficulty uplifting PCSOs so they have responded with the current recruitment drive.

Introduced Elizabeth Ball (EB) as an experienced officer. Pat Gardener is experienced from other local areas and Anita Perks (AP) is from Bristol. They bring a fresh attitude for helping people and they offer consistency as a neighbourhood team. Explained that partnership working and community contact has been impacted by Covid-19.

Discussed how residents and park users had reported damage and small arson. This was largely due to young people being out of school for an extended period. A group of people have been identified. One is going through the justice system and 7-8 have been issued with acceptable behaviour contracts. A lot of time and effort has been put into working with parents. Numbers and cases have dropped significantly since the word has spread that people are being caught.

Explained that all other figures including burglaries have remained flat and with low numbers.

The chair wanted it to be known that AP and EB had done a brilliant job and said that the recommendation should go further. They had completed excellent policing work

and had used their initiative in looking at the body camera footage which is why 15 people had been caught.

Q Do we have mobile numbers and email addresses for the officers?

A The mobiles are still not working, but this is being investigated. Not sure why emails are bouncing back. SI suggested that EB send an email so that it can be replied to.

Q Can a PCSO detain or arrest? What is the purpose of a PCSO?

A PCSOs are the eyes and ears of a community. They can give crime prevention advice and issue some tickets. They do good work with youth and can engage and talk with them well. SI added that a PCSO can ask people to remain with them, but they cannot detain. They are non-confrontational and non-arresting. They are different as they are a good form of communication.

Q Not seen Police Officers in Mead Park or walking in the local area?

A This is frustrating as officers are completing foot patrols. They have to balance the effectiveness of doing work versus the quality of work. Residential streets are not patrolled as much as retail areas so that PCSOs can engage with people. Explained that there is a difference between neighbourhood team and response officers as the latter cover a very large area. They operate on a balance of risk and reward through visibility and effectiveness.

Q How can children creating damage throughout lockdown be policed?

A Early intervention with parents involved has led to 90% compliance with behaviour contracts. It can be identified where it doesn't work quickly. There is a focus on what is going on, talking to residents and working with young people. The track record in South Gloucestershire is testament to this. Young people will be dealt with positively.

5 Cribbs Patchway MetroBus (CPMB) extension update

Richard Gillingham, SGC Transport Policy and Asset Management gave a presentation (*attached as appendix 2*). He explained how the CPMB extension will improve the local transport network for existing and new residents. Lowering the road for the bridge will allow for better public transport, walking and cycling.

Explained that Coronavirus has delayed the works. The old bridge is to be demolished and the new bridge will be moved into place from 24th October – 7th November; the railway will be closed. The works will be 24 hours a day to enable the bridge to be in place as quickly as possible. There will be noise as this is major engineering work, but the contractor will try to mitigate it.

Discussed the footway closure and the shuttle bus which will be in operation until December. Explained the diversion route as well as the new bus lanes and bus stops. The network is quiet due to Covid-19 but it is unknown how this may change next year. Informed that local major employers will be worked with when trips on the network increase to reduce traffic congestion and that social media and updates are keeping the local community informed.

Q Is the road opening still on target and will traffic flow freely?

A Traffic will be able to get under the bridge but there will be traffic management.

Q Should moving the bus stop from the Parkway Tavern be halted? The bus stop being relocated from a layby to the road will stop the traffic behind it which is not what

residents expect. It is only 100 yards from the existing bus stop. There are less bus users so this should be put on hold until it can be seen how the bus service copes in the future.

A Comment has been noted. The works are on the programme but will consider this point as it has been raised. All three local members have concerns with these works starting. Church Road's temporary closure will create a bottleneck if people return to work.

Q How many feet is the road to be lowered by? Will this cause abrasion under the bridge?

A The road needs to be lowered to meet modern standards. There will be a slight gradient but not excessive. There have been concerns about flooding, but a major pumping system is being implemented which should be a vast improvement on current situation.

6 Updates from SGC Councillors/Town and Parish Councils

KC Stated that he felt there was very bad driving and a speed increase on the roads. The speed vans have been out and Stoke Gifford has seen particularly bad driving.

7 Agree minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 17th October 2019, were agreed as a true record.

8 Update of issues/priorities from previous meeting.

- Car parking charges at Patchway Station
- Issues of carpark at the rear

AE stated that a consultation had taken place and she will feedback more information and updates later.

9 Discuss new local community issues/Future agenda items for consideration

Issue and Location	Comments	Action
Orpheus Avenue resurfacing work. KC reported that local residents have said that whilst Gypsy Patch Lane has been closed, articulated lorries go via Bradley Stoke Way.	Suggested they go via the Aztec roundabout rather than through a residential area. Residents are being woken up by lorries when they hit the speed cushions. Suggested now would be a good time for highways to review HGV usage and bring in a weight and height restriction.	AE noted that this had been raised previously but could take it forward again to assess if a Speedvisor can be installed by SGC Highways. KC added that a speed visor should not be put up in Hercules Close as last time lorries had to go up and turn around.
Hercules Close appears to be flooding	KC has spoken to SGC	AE to follow this up with SGC StreetCare and Highways.

Hatchet Way and Winterbourne Road speed checks		SI said that he was happy to offer these
HGVs on Braydon Avenue. Joint exercise between the Police and Trading Standards	SI explained that this had not happened due to Covid-19.	Hopefully this will be done as soon as resources allow.

10 Any other business

None was raised

Meeting closed at 3pm

Date, time and venue of next meeting TBC

For further meeting information please visit www.southglos.gov.uk/CEF

Or call 01454 868113

South Gloucestershire Public Health Team

- Local Covid-19 situation and how to find the information
- <https://beta.southglos.gov.uk/covid-19-dashboard-for-south-gloucestershire/>
- Current Guidance and Test and Trace
- Community support and supporting vulnerable people
- Winter preparation and Flu Vaccine

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Hands, Face, Space



HANDS - Wash your hands regularly and for 20 seconds.

FACE - Wear a face covering in indoor settings where social distancing may be difficult, and where you will come into contact with people you do not normally meet.

SPACE - Stay 2 metres apart from people you do not live with where possible, or 1 metre with extra precautions in place (such as wearing face coverings or increasing ventilation indoors).

From Monday 14 September, when meeting friends and family you do not live with you must not meet in a group of more than 6 indoors or outdoors.

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Symptoms

HM Government

NHS

CORONAVIRUS - the symptoms

If you have any of these symptoms, self-isolate and get tested

- High temperature
- New, persistent cough
- Loss or change in sense of smell or taste

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Community Support- Phones

- **Main Coronavirus helpline:** help and support re Coronavirus, contact freephone **0800 953 7778**
- **Southern Brooks Community Hub,** for support accessing community services, contact Communitysupport@southernbrooks.org.uk 0333 5774666 (Monday- Friday 9am-5pm)
- **Mutual Aid and Community Support Directory,** to find out who is providing neighbourhood help and assistance in your area, contact 01454 864886 (from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday)
- **Council contact Centre,** for all other council enquires contact 01454 868009 (from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday).

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Community Support- Digital

- [South Glos Covid Pages](#)
- [Help and Support Directory](#)
- [UK Government Coronavirus Pages](#)
- [Supporting Vulnerability in South Glos](#)

Filter by your location

- Badminton
- Almondsbury
- Alveston
- Aust
- Bitton

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What do you need help with?

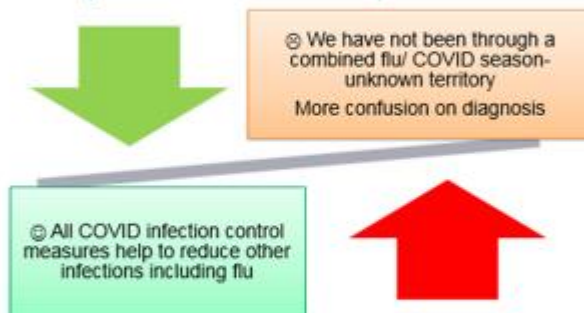
- Crisis support
- Dog walking
- Essential travel
- Food (parcels, foodbank, cooked meals)
- Funding for community organisations

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Winter Preparation

Add flu (and winter viruses) into the mix



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Flu Vaccination 2020

Offered free by the NHS to people at highest risk of developing serious complications:

- If you have a medical condition or are immune suppressed (you can ask your GP if you aren't sure)
- If you live in a long-stay residential care home or facility
- If you live with or care for someone who may be at risk if you fall ill
- If you live with or look after someone on the "shielded patient" list
- If you are 65 years old or over
- If you are pregnant

After priority groups have been vaccinated, the flu vaccine may be offered to 50-64-year-olds at lower risk.

More information will be published in November.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/who-should-have-flu-vaccine/>

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Flu Vaccine for Children 2020

The flu vaccine is free on the NHS for:

- Children over the age of 6 months with a long-term health condition
- Children aged 2 and 3 years on 31 August 2020 (that is, born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2018)
- Children primary school aged or home educated
- Children in year 7 (secondary school) or home educated

Frontline Health & Social Care Workers

- All frontline health and social care workers are eligible, including carers and those getting direct payments
- Employers will be coordinating the offer of vaccination for each staff group

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Cribbs Patchway metrobus extension update

- Richard Gillingham - Strategic Projects Manager, South Gloucestershire Council
- Victoria Bradley – Project Sponsor, Network Rail

Cribbs Patchway metrobus extension (CPME)

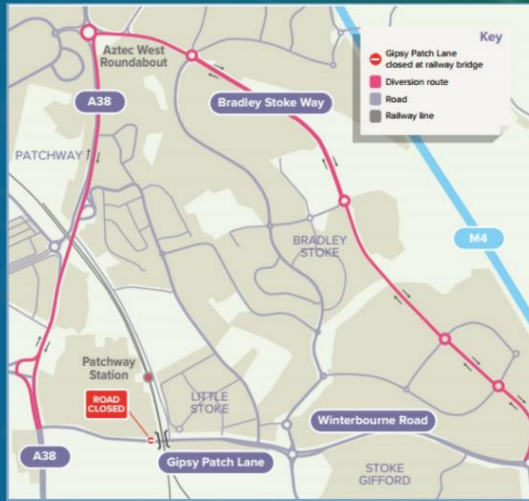


Gipsy Patch Lane - bridge replacement



Railway line closure





The wider CPME programme



What is the council doing to mitigate disruption?

- Promoting diversion routes for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists
- Signposting alternative routes to key locations
- Completing schemes in the same vicinity at the same time to share traffic management where possible
- Restricting utility works
- Monitoring traffic signal timings at key junctions
- Engaging with local communities via letters and emails, press releases and updates in local press
- Engaging with large employers
- Dedicated webpage for all schemes on the council website – www.southglos.gov.uk/majorroadworks
- Regular updates via social media - www.facebook.com/sglosstreetcare
- Email newsletter the community can sign up to via website

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