

Portreath Parish Council update

August 2021

Flood and Coastal Risk Management Work

Portreath: Managing flood risk from the Portreath Stream

We are making progress in relation to the Portreath Stream flood risk improvements project. Please find below a summary of activities that have been recently been undertaken and activities that are planned by the EA and our delivery partners, contractors Kier and engineering consultants Atkins.

- Bridge inspections along the Portreath stream between the tunnel and the beach were undertaken during July in conjunction with representatives from Cornwall Council's Highways team
- Letters have been issued to those residences in Portreath who are located immediately alongside the Portreath Stream. We have requested access to their property for planned surveys during the summer/autumn. We are seeking contact for further engagement and we have received responses from a number of contacts to date.
- We continue to undertake bat emergence surveys along the stream and we have further bat emergence surveys planned during August. This is to identify any potential bat roosts and to appropriately manage the potential impact of proposed improvements along the Portreath Stream.
- An assessment of the trees along the Portreath Stream has recently been undertaken as part of our overall environment assessment.
- Our heritage experts are undertaking a heritage assessment along the Portreath Stream. They will be on site during the summer so that we can better understand and manage the potential impact of proposed improvements on Portreath's heritage.
- A Ground Investigation scope is being prepared that is based upon all the information currently being collected. Once the Ground Investigation scope is finalised we will agree the timings and locations of activities with the relevant landowners.
- We also have some detailed topographical surveys planned for locations along the Portreath Stream.
- All the information currently being collected is being used to design the channel improvements. We anticipate having information such as drawings of proposed improvements to share with you later this autumn.