

Help us make the first community map of Cornwall



Our aim is to create a map of who you speak to regularly, it will look just like the one pictured, where each shape represents a person and each line represents a connection between two people. These maps help us understand the connections between your health and well-being, and that of the community and will help us think of ways to improve both.

We can reassure you that, when we make these maps, we won't be using any names (either yours, or anyone that you mention), and so it won't be possible for anyone to identify any people from the maps.

You will receive an invitation letter and more details about the project in the next month. We hope you will join us in constructing the first map of this kind in Cornwall.



TalkBack feature allows you to listen rather than read

Have you ever had a hard time reading text on your computer? If your answer is yes, then we have the solution for you. Your tablet computer is fitted with a TalkBack feature.

This is designed to read aloud written texts from your computer screen. It is an innovative idea which is helpful not only to those with impaired vision but also to anyone with a desire to listen instead of read.

TalkBack can be accessed by opening the Settings from your tablet's main screen, then choosing Advanced Settings from the left menu, then selecting Accessibility from the options that appear on the right. TalkBack can then be activated by selecting it from the menu and sliding the switch to the right to On.

Once activated TalkBack will start with a series of short tutorials aimed at guiding you through how to use the feature using spoken instructions and practice activities. To make the TalkBack feature as user friendly as possible, within your accessibility options you have the text to speech output options that will allow you to adjust the pitch and speech rate of the TalkBack voice.

If you need additional support with this please feel free to contact your technical support at Switch Community Ltd on 01209 610055. If you have any ideas for further apps that maybe of interest to fellow Smartline participants please email your idea to gavin@switchcommunity.co.uk

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MONTHLY SURVEYS STARTING SOON

Please complete the electronic survey on your tablet when it arrives

There is a lot going on within the Smartline Project so we have rounded up some articles to showcase recent activities plus we have a number of new opportunities for you to get involved with over the coming months.

Most recently we handed out over 170 tablet computers, you can read more about this inside, and in the next few weeks we will start to send monthly research surveys to the tablets. Please take the time to answer surveys when they arrive, they won't take long and will help our research.

TALKBACK ON YOUR TABLET

Read the latest news about the TalkBack feature & new apps for your tablets

Following your feedback, a number of community activities are taking place; a coffee morning has been re-established at Carbone Public Rooms and Apprentice Court, at Trelawney Court arm chair exercises are being organised, a new green space is being developed for Coronation Avenue to include a wild flower area, benches and some raised beds, and community acupuncture sessions are being setup with Cornwall Acupuncture.

If you would like to get involved in any of the Smartline community activities please contact Karen via Karen@volunteer-cornwall.org.uk or 01766770114.

INDOOR AIR POLLUTION RESEARCH

How your data will advance our understanding

As well as community events there are also opportunities to participate in more research activities. Inside the newsletter you'll see a number of articles and in addition there will be an opportunity to participate in a radon survey in the autumn which will add greater depth to our understanding of different homes. The September newsletter will have more details.

UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

We have a number of exciting activities for you to take part in

Over the summer the Smartline Team will be recruiting more participants. If you think your friends or neighbours would like to join, please ask them to ring Coasline on 01208 200200 and speak to the Smartline Team.

We hope you enjoy the newsletter and find it informative and inspiring. Going forwards we will issue electronic versions of the newsletter on a regular basis. If you would prefer to receive paper copies of the newsletter please let us know by emailing Smartline@exeter.ac.uk or calling us on 01872 258140.

