

CARN BREA PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

Spring 2021

Chair's report

During this last lockdown we have been working hard behind the scenes. To help us set the precept for the following year, we have spent time looking ahead at the projects we hope to achieve including the maintenance and improvement of Parish land and assets, potential for land to be devolved to the Parish and the continuing progress of the Neighbourhood Development Plan. We are all delighted that we are able to balance the figures which will mean there will be no rise in the precept for the following year.



I have been attending the Neighbourhood Steering Group meetings, mainly to learn so that I can try and explain it to others and the importance of having the plan in place so that we can protect the countryside around us and also to promote positive development where needed. It's been interesting to see how the plan is being put together and I'm amazed at the amount of work Cllr Macdonald is managing to do whilst still working and the generous amount of time and effort the volunteers from our community give. I'm really thankful to all of them.

We are moving forward also, at a good pace, with the devolution of several plots of land in the Parish. The searches are being carried out as we speak and hopefully, we will be in a position to move this forward in the near future. Unfortunately like the rest of the world, there have been hold-ups due to Covid 19, but we are getting there.

Although we don't produce a lot of waste at the Parish Offices, we are mindful of our responsibility as to how it is managed, and I am pleased to say we are moving to a recycling collection from the hall. Inside the newsletter, you can also read more about our aim to plant more trees and how you can get involved.

We are also hoping to still be able to have a gardening competition this year and although it is taking some re-jigging I'm delighted to have it in place. We may have some new categories so please keep an eye out on the website.

I'm also working hard to get a new notice board in place in Higher West Tolgus as soon as is possible which will be a great addition to the area.

Please stay safe.

Chair Danielle Wills

Visit the Carn Brea Parish Council website for information on our Council meetings and events, to browse previous copies of this newsletter and to look at the Carn Brea Parish Book of Remembrance.

www.carnbreaparishcouncil.gov.uk

If you have an article or information you would like to see in this newsletter, please contact the editor:
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Launching! Carn Brea Parish's **Register of Land for Trees**

Carn Brea is a beautiful Parish with many environmental, cultural and historical gifts to enjoy, but we are remarkably low in tree coverage. As part of our efforts to contribute to tackling climate change, we are launching a Register of Land for Trees.

Do you have land that could be used for tree planting?

If you have the land, then we can explore funds and grants to get the trees and planting off the ground. It would be important to use native trees that will flourish and feel at home in the Parish and we will be working with local experts to make sure this happens.



I have land- what should I do? This project is in its early days, but please contact the Parish Clerk with your contact details, the land available, approximate size and number of trees that could be planted if known. This is a community effort, so please spread the word!

A word from our Tree Warden, Cllr Nigel Miles:

"Establishing trees locally is easy. Lockdown means we can't meet collectively to do this but as individuals if we can find access to even small areas of land we can make a difference especially if you have a garden. And at this time of the year, you don't need seeds just cuttings from our local hardwoods. Now this doesn't mean you go out with your chainsaw or secateurs to decimate our local trees but it can be done easily and with some thought and knowledge. There is plenty of guidance available online. Why don't you try using Ecosia – the search engine that plants trees – to look up: How to plant a tree, The Woodland Trust?

If you need any more information, my contact details are on the back of the newsletter."

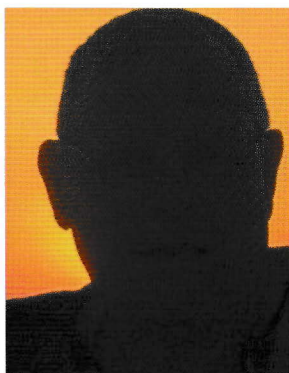
A very warm welcome to our two new Councillors for Pool ward:

Cllr Shaun Dale

Shaun joins the council as a Pool Ward member. Born and bred in Cornwall, he worked for BT for over forty years, in engineering and management before retiring. He owns property in Penhallick with his wife Jane and has strong family ties to the area dating back to the 1980's. Keen to use local knowledge and interests to ensure the Parish Council does the best for its residents and ensures that the wonderful and diverse area remains a special place for us all to enjoy, live and work in. His hobbies include Scouting and old Land Rovers as well as pottering around the house and garden.



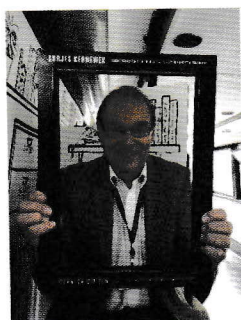
Cllr Mike Davis



Mike also joins the council as a Pool Ward member. Mike has 22 years of experience serving in the Royal Air Force, with the last 8 at RAF Portreath. Mike is closely connected to the community in Pool, having lived there for the last 21 years. He is married to Amanda who is a Specialist Nurse at the Royal Cornwall Hospital.

On joining the council, Mike shared 'I will embrace my role as a Parish Councillor and will do my best to represent the local community.'

Mike's hobbies include taking walks and cycling around the local area.



Report from Cornwall Councillor David Ekinsmyth

What strange times we are all living through. The Covid 19 pandemic has disrupted every aspect of our lives and looks as though it will continue to do so for some considerable time. The successful roll-out of the vaccine gives real hope for a more normal future. Although I only represent a small area of the Parish, I do my best to follow matters closely and attend as many Parish meetings as I can.

As my second term draws towards its end I can report that I have experienced my fair share of success and frustration so familiar to those who follow Local Government matters closely. Everything seems to take longer than ideal but with determination and perseverance we can get there in the end. Despite many obstacles and resource restrictions, Cornwall Council has achieved a great deal and has a lot more in the pipeline. As far as the pandemic is concerned it has been recognised as one of the best performing councils in the UK. There is a lot more to do and the next Council will have one third less councillors to do it and the number of council officers has been reduced in response to budget cuts but new systems and methods of operation will ensure business continues effectively.

Key events coming up at Cornwall Council include the budget with the all-important setting of the Council Tax rate. Although this is capped at 1.99% the Government has yet again allowed an additional up to 3% to pay for extra adult social care costs. This means that local council tax payers have to foot this bill rather than general taxation and we have to decide on the level. I have been gathering views which will inform my eventual vote. Ongoing is the Climate Emergency Action plan and although Covid regulations have slowed this a little it still progresses. Local councils are supporting this with their own actions and in the Camborne Pool Illogan Redruth area are combining to co-ordinate actions and strategies. We are looking for volunteers in all areas to join us in progressing this vitally important matter.

Whilst these headline issues draw attention, I spend the rest of my time as a member of various committees that monitor and scrutinise the ongoing work. Examples include Audit Committee, Constitution and Governance, West Planning and Miscellaneous Licensing. I also represent the council on CLLD Local Action Group that is responsible for allocating funding to support unemployed residents, supporting budding new businesses and providing support for this.

I am also keen to keep in touch with West Tolgus residents so please do get in contact.

Are you ready for the Census?

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Sunday 21st March is Census Day and despite the circumstances, we are determined to make sure it reaches as many people as possible and gives an accurate reflection of people and lifestyles in 2021.

For the first time, the Census will be primarily shared and completed online. We know that there are many people who either do not have access to the internet, or who may have different needs and prefer a paper copy.

Paper copies can be easily requested and there is a team of staff ready to assist with filling out and making it more accessible in a variety of ways. If you are struggling to access a paper copy, any of our councillors or clerk will be happy to point you in the right direction.

Cornish is not yet a tick box option on the census but you can record how you identify as Cornish and this is a drop down option online. A Cornish translation of the Census is available on request.

Our Parish area is covered by three different Cornwall Councillors:

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Useful contact numbers

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social care emergencies (request help for an adult or a child) - 0300 1231 116 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Housing emergency repairs - 0300 1234 161
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways emergency (report urgent or hazardous issues) - 0300 1234 222 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report flooding or drainage issues on public roads - 0300 1234 222
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Antisocial behaviour including noise, waste or other nuisance issues - 0300 1234 212 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire and Community Safety - 0300 1234 232
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South West Water - to report a water leak 0800 230 0561 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Power - to report a power cut phone 105 or 0800 6783 105
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizens Advice - 03444 99 41 88 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valued Lives - Mental Health Crisis Service – 01209 901438