

Welcome to the Spring Edition of Carn Brea Parish Council's Newsletter.

Carn Brea Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan

Planning doesn't interest everyone and generally speaking, most of us are not unduly bothered about a plan to build the odd property or a small extension. This can change when the impact of a proposal 'interferes' with our view or the natural order of things in *our* road. Building on green fields, cutting down mature trees, removing old Cornish hedges, or destroying wildlife habitat are issues we can feel strongly about. Equally of course, people and families should have a home. But there seems to be a shortage of the right properties in the right place. Which brings us neatly to the subject of our Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

Working with representatives from our community over the last two years we have created our local NDP which will influence all kinds of development within the parish. The NDP is almost at its final stage, which will be a Public Referendum, in which you as a Registered Elector in the parish, may vote 'For' or 'Against' adoption of the Plan. Currently the Plan is about to be signed off by the Independent Inspector who has passed the plan as legally compliant but requiring some minor textual changes. This Plan is important for all of us in Carn Brea Parish as it gives us a powerful voice in the debate about future development. The Plan is on our website or can be seen at our offices. A leaflet from us will be delivered to you soon. Please vote in the Referendum, the date of which will be announced by Cornwall Council Democratic Services very soon.

Vaping

The Council has recently carried out research with NHS Cornwall to find out what advice or guidance they offer regarding the health implications of vaping, particularly in respect of young people. NHS publish their advice online at:

www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/smokefreecornwall/vaping-e-cigarettes

We also asked Cornwall Council for information regarding recycling disposable vapes. They told us: vapes are not collected as part of recycling collections, they can be taken to all local Waste Recycling Centres, if the battery cannot be removed the vape should go into the battery container, if the battery can be removed then the battery goes into the battery container and the vape into the small electrical goods container. Further information is available on:

www.cornwall.gov.uk/rubbish-recycling-andwaste/recycling/recycling-items/vapes

Tree Planting



In December a group of volunteers, including our Chairman, Cllr. Bob Drew, were guided by Cormac to plant about 12 new trees in King George V playing field in Four Lanes. The volunteers had come from all around the area and Cllr Drew was paired with a couple from Ruan Minor and their little boy. Trees were planted along the park path running parallel to Loscombe Road, near the children's play area and near to Borgwitha. About 20 volunteers worked incredibly hard, digging holes, erecting support posts, attaching protective cages, and drinking tea.

Mobile Speed Indicator Sign

Following feedback from residents about vehicles speeding, the council decided in 2023 to purchase a Mobile Speed Indicator Sign. This is the kind of sign which tells motorists their speed as they approach it, in red if it is too high, in green with a 'Thank You' if the speed is within the speed limit.



The locations where the sign can be used have had to be agreed with Cornwall Council Highways and in some cases new posts have had to be installed.

The first location used was in Moorfield Road, near to our offices, subject to a 20mph limit. The sign was in place for 5 weeks from November into December 2023.

What did we find out? First we should explain that the sign can read the traffic approaching the face of the sign *and* the traffic approaching the back of the sign.

We found out that *on average* over the 5 week period, the speed of incoming traffic was 18.6mph and that of outgoing traffic was 19.5mph. The maximum speed recorded for incoming traffic was 37mph and 39mph for outgoing traffic. Overall, the level of compliance with the 20mph limit was 98.6% of the traffic.

What was interesting, even surprising, was the *amount of traffic* travelling along Moorfield Road. The figures for the busiest week of the 5 weeks measured, showed a total of 10,906 vehicles travelling west towards Church Road, Pool and 12,356 vehicles travelling east towards Broad Lane.

In January the sign was re-sited to the main road through Four Lanes for four weeks and has now been moved again, this time to the road through the village of Carnkie.

Defibrillators across our Parish

In 2022 the Parish Council decided to research where, across the parish, it was possible to publicly access a defibrillator.

A defibrillator is a portable piece of First Aid equipment which can be used on a person who is experiencing a heart attack or similar medical episode. The units are normally in locked cabinets with a keypad that can be accessed by contacting the Ambulance Service when ringing 999.

As a result of the council's research, a defibrillator was installed on the exterior wall of the Council Offices in Moorfield Road and following a decision by the council to purchase two further units in the financial year 2023/2024, two units were installed on the external walls of The Sportsman's Arms at Pencoys, Four Lanes, and at the Countryman Public House at Piece in August 2023. Both installations were with the full co-operation and support of the licensees, for which we are extremely grateful.

A fourth unit has recently been installed on the outside of the Co-Op Store in Broad Lane, Illogan Highway. This unit was a joint purchase with the London Hearts organisation and has depended on the enthusiastic willingness of the manager of the Co-Op store to obtain the necessary permission.

Spar Shop, Fore Street, Pool	Carnkie Village Hall
Four Lanes Snooker Hall	Pencoys Junior School
Treloweth Community Hall, Pool	Kel Skiber, Merritts Hill
Lily Cottage, Higher Brea	Chi Winder, Dudnance Lane
The Countryman Pub, Piece	The Sportsmans Arms, Pencoys
Co-Op Store, Broad Lane	Pool Academy, Church Road

The locations of *publicly available* units known to us are as follows:

Carn Brea W.I

Here in the lovely Carn Brea area, we are an active and supportive WI group, meeting at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Trevenson Church Hall, Pool. Since our report in this Newsletter at the end of last year, we've been having an interesting time, with some good speakers at our monthly meetings, and enjoyable events (not to mention some inevitable eating opportunities!). To give you a flavour of our monthly meetings, our speakers have included a super talk about the wildlife in Cornwall, one giving us a fascinating insight into the young Queen Victoria, a biker photo opportunity with one of the lovely volunteers from Cornwall Blood Bikes charity, and a privileged 'insider' look behind the scenes with photographs taken by a royal photographer who served on the Royal Yacht Britannia accompanied by sometimes hilarious but affectionate anecdotes. We look forward in the coming few months to talks on the Bronte sisters, local history, upcycling to name but a few.

In addition to our monthly meetings, many members have joined in the County WI's events including lunches, coffee mornings, theatre trips, craft workshops, visits to places of interest etc. We also participated in the WI competition section of Stithians Show (and came third), having a great time preparing the entry.

Finally, we are also looking forward to our annual "away day" trip, which this year will be to Coleton Fishacre, the fabulous Arts & Crafts National Trust house in South Devon (with appropriate stops for coffee and cake on the way up!). Why don't you join us for this? We would be pleased to see you, and you might feel you would like to sign up to join the WI afterwards.

We really welcome new members, so why not do that, or else come along to one of our meetings (7 p.m., on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, at Trevenson Church Hall, Pool) to give us a try. Or phone Vicky on 07510 554852.

Telephone kiosk at Penhallick Row

Carn Brea Parish Council recently decided to make enquiries about the disused telephone kiosk at Penhallick Row, leading to Whitcross Hill. We have already taken possession of the old kiosks at



Carn Brea Village and outside The Countryman PH at Piece, restored them and pressed them into service as Community Book Swops. The kiosk at Penhallick Row is currently being looked after by local residents and the Community Heartbeat Trust and we look forward to working with them to make the kiosk a local feature. Inside could be a Book Swop, but maybe something else. Any suggestions?

Good News from the NHS

The NHS are about to embark on a significant building project at the Camborne Redruth Hospital at Barncoose. Plans have been submitted to erect a single storey Healthcare Facility with a link corridor to the existing building. The new structure will be on the present open space between the current building and the approach road off Wilson Way. The building design uses offsite modular construction to shorten build-time and will be craned into position. Completion is planned for early 2024.

If you would like to see the plans, they can be found on Cornwall Council's Planning Portal (https://planning.cornwall.gov.uk/onlineapplicaitons/) under the reference PA23/10045.

Remember that Camborne Redruth Hospital has a Minor Injuries Unit, open every day 8am to 9pm, with x-ray facilities 8am to 8pm each day.

This facility is local to us and should be considered before making a journey to A&E at the Royal Cornwall Hospital at Treliske.

Annual Parish Awards

Clarence Coombe Memorial Award



The Council wishes to recognise outstanding achievements, by person or persons who have served Carn Brea Parish.

The Clarence Coombe Memorial Award is in memory of the late Clarence Coombe, a well-respected Councillor who served Carn Brea Parish for many years.

The award will be presented to a nominee, who has served in Carn Brea Parish and who has given lifelong service, performed a heroic deed, or attained individual achievement through work, study, conquest of illness or disability etc.

Marise Levenson Award

The Marise Levenson Memorial Award is in memory of the late Marise Levenson. The award recognises the contribution of young people in the community, and will be presented to a young person under the age of 18 who has served in Carn Brea Parish and who has contributed to the local community through charitable acts, altruistic caring acts, or unrecognised achievements etc.

CBPC Local Achievement Award

The Local Achievement Award is to recognise the contribution by an individual where they have gone above and beyond for an individual or group in their local community.

How To Nominate

Proposals should be made in writing by letter or email to the Clerk stating the award nominated for and reasons for the nominations.

The Awards will be presented at our Annual Parish Meeting and all nominations should be received please by 12th April 2024.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 2nd May 2024 at 7pm at Treloweth Community Hall, Moorfield Road, Pool, Redruth, Cornwall, TR15 3QB.

The Annual Parish Meeting is open to all electors of Carn Brea Parish, who have the right not only to attend the meeting but also speak on any matters they consider valuable to the people of the parish.

It is also an opportunity for organisations, local groups, clubs, societies and other voluntary and statutory organisations to provide a report and let the local residents know what work they do in Carn Brea Parish and what they have been doing over the past year.

If you are a representative of an organisation or group in the parish and would like to give a short report about the work you do, please contact the Clerk by 15th April 2024.

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