

SOUTH PETHERWIN ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2019

The Annual Parish Meeting of South Petherwin was held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 29th May 2019 at 7 pm.

Apologies:, Oliver Jones (CORMAC), Vi Brook (BIMBOS), Cllr A Trehane, Cllr C Powlesland, Cllr S Rogers and R Frame (Parish Clerk).

14 parishioners and representatives of community organisations along with the following Councillors were present: Cllr P Parsons (Chairman), Cllr R Jeffery (Vice Chairperson and took the minutes in the absence of the Clerk), Cllr M Screech, Cllr D Rogers and Cllr S Vernon.

The Chairman opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 23rd May 2018 were approved proposed by Cllr D Rogers and seconded by Cllr S Vernon, all were in favour.

2. **Guest Speaker from Devon and Cornwall Police (Police Officer Steve Stoppard)**

This report gives just a brief overview of what is currently happening within the local area. PO Steve Stoppard explained he was currently the only neighbourhood police officer for the entire area. Launceston Police force now covered Camelford, Callington, Launceston and Bude, this is a total of 720 kilometres. Only two custody suits are now available being in Charlescross and Newquay but we can use Barnstaple if needed. A lot of the Police involvement is now working with mental health cases this is because of the cutbacks within the NHS and other services. Unfortunately if the police are called to a case and they have to take a person to be assessed the closest mental health centre is in Redruth.

As for crime rates, Cornwall is the safest part of the country. The crimes recorded rates are showing as higher because crimes are now recorded differently and historical crimes/past events are now recorded as individual separate crimes.

Figures from April 2018 to April 2019 re showing:-

10% decrease in house burglaries

48% decrease in burglaries to non-residential dwellings.

200% increase in drug trafficking crimes – this is due to the public contacting the police and providing more information.

The council tax money that is given the police has helped to provide 85 more officers for Cornwall this means Launceston will be getting 1 extra officer soon. There has been a decrease in anti-social behaviour calls we feel this has been because we have more of a presence in primary and secondary schools explaining the consequences and informing them about how the police help with certain issues. An example of this was when we worked with Launceston College explaining to the pupils about county lines which is a phone number line used for drug trafficking. The pupils worked with us and did a large presentation highlighting this problem. This presentation and the work we were doing was picked up by BBC spotlight and this meant the problem could be highlighted further and to more people. Along with county lines cuckooing is still an issue. This is when a group of drug dealers target elderly or vulnerable people keeping them like a prisoner in their own home and utilising their premises to distribute/sell drugs from. We are still asking local residents to be vigilant to this and report anything that is not the norm in relation to any elderly or vulnerable residents in the community. Thank you for listening and allowing me to give you a brief overview of what is currently happening in the area.

Question: How do we report suspicious behaviour if we think something is going on?

Answer: The best way to contact us is to report through Crime stoppers or send an email to the neighbourhood team at Launceston.

Question: What is the follow up for children that may be caught up with the county lines drug trafficking?

Answer: We treat them as victims, provide safeguarding and wrap around care. Packages to support families are available through organisations such as White gold and Dreadnaught and they help the children and families get back to normality. This is why we visit schools to help combat the situations before they begin.

Theresa mills, Head teacher of South Petherwin Primary School thanked PO Steve Stoppard for working with the children in the school making them aware of dangerous situations that could lead them to getting involved in anti-social behaviour.

Signed

3. Guest speaker Joan Heaton, Patient Participant Group (PPG), Launceston Medical Centre.

The building work was supposed to start in April 2019. After several meetings with the practice manager, who has been dealing with the NHS, they are waiting for it to be all signed off so building work can start. The work has to start by October 2019 as this is when the planning application comes to an end. If people wish to look at the planning application it is number PA16/07716. We plan to have a new telephone system in place, a new pharmacy and for the number of doctors to double. Unfortunately the surgery has lost two GP's and is trying to recruit more. The surgery does have more nurse practitioners to help with the shortfall.

NHS England and Department of Health are increasing their focus on prevention and social prescribing. This means using more volunteer sector groups to support people, there will be a social prescribing link worker in each surgery that can signpost people to appropriate support groups. There will also be a dedicated counselling room within the surgery. There are a lot of mental health services available within our local area, one of these is set up in Liskeard and is called the Rick Steed group which helps ex-service people, also the Gorwenna community which provides Dementia support.

4. Parish Magazine (Alison Barham, Editor)

I took over as Editor from Helena Northmore in September 2018 and the whole committee would like to extend their thanks to her as she held this post for over six and a half years. She was also really helpful during the handover period and I greatly appreciate this.

I'm happy to say that the magazine has had another stable year. We continue to have 36 pages in the magazine and cover our printing costs with our advertisers, of which we have about 34, with 12 pages of ads. We try to maintain a good balance in the magazine between adverts and articles. Currently we don't have any advertisers on the waiting list and there is space for one or two more – so please let us know if you know of any potential advertisers. Without them the magazine couldn't continue free of charge which is something we fully intend to uphold (not all parish magazines are free).

The magazine content is largely written by the committee of 8 and we are pleased to say that we had two new members join us last year, Ella Payne and Jo Tope. We have a number of regular 'external' contributors and some parishioners who send in articles on an ad hoc basis. We are extremely grateful to them. The magazine depends on people in the parish sending in their ideas, photos and articles to ensure we have a magazine that reflects the issues that are relevant to everyone who lives here.

5. Village Hall (Alison Barham)

Our main piece of news this year – as you can see – is the refitted kitchen. The old one was on its last legs so the committee felt it was high time to do something about it. We were very pleased to receive funding from the South Petherwin Community Fund and the Papillon fund (totalling £7,000) to enable us to do it. The units were supplied by Howdens and fitting was by George Bateman and we are very pleased with the results. The committee would particularly like to thank Sue Vernon who was instrumental in the project. We hope that this will increase usage which has already been steadily increasing.

Lettings are run by Phil Fox and myself using an on line booking calendar (Jorte) and this works really well.

Ad hoc bookings are good and we have some new regulars such as the Singing Group. Other regulars include the Parish Council, skittles, table tennis and bingo. We also have a monthly cleaner now.

There are other projects being considered, which may also require some extra funding, which include re-staining the kitchen wall, more efficient heating and lighting, and exterior work including painting and new fascia's.

6. Methodist Church (Mary Stoneman)

We continue to meet on Sunday mornings and celebrated our 147th Chapel anniversary on Sunday 12th May. We held an afternoon service followed by a delicious tea, which was much enjoyed by over 30 friends and acquaintances. On March 10th 5 new members were welcomed into our chapel family during a special service followed by Holy Communion led by Rev'd Jo Smart. We were saddened to lose a valued member, Mrs Chris Richardson, who passed away just before Christmas. Chris held various offices within the chapel including the role of church Council secretary. A major overhaul of the organ is now complete and all the exterior work is finished apart from replacing the gates. The interior re-decoration is now on the agenda. We continue to welcome South Petherwin School as they hold their harvest festival and Christingle services in the chapel. These have always been popular services and it has been lovely to share in their celebrations and see their talents. The children created a stunning display of poppies which were handmade by each of the 110 children for the special centenary remembrance service in November

marking the end of World War 1. The links with the primary school are also sustained through assemblies lead by the Methodist Church once each half term, and recently the Methodist Circuit invited 4Front Theatre Company to perform their show a 'Fisherman's Tail' at South Petherwin School which was a great success. After nearly 20 years of serving lunches our monthly Lunch Club had its last get together on Monday 27th May, however, we are hoping that we can work with the Frog & Bucket and enable this community lunch club to continue in some way. We hope that in the future we will also be able to set up a Friendship Group, where board games, puzzles and just general fellowship can be had.

We catered for over 40 people at our harvest supper. Our coffee mornings held on the 2nd Saturday of the month are well supported the proceeds of which support the Launceston Food bank for 6 months and the Barnabas Fund for 6 months. This is an international, interdenominational Christian Aid agency that supports Christians who face discrimination or persecution as a consequence of their faith. We continue to share Remembrance Day services and Carol Services with our friends at St Paternus.

The Sunday school room is used for various activities during the week including the Parish council who meet here in the winter months and was used latterly as a polling station for the recent European Elections. We hold prayer meetings which take place every second and fourth Monday of the month. The very popular Tea and Toast sessions celebrated our first year of running and are held each Thursday morning from 08.30 to 10.00 am during term time. We have seen 703 adults and children through the doors to enjoy fellowship alongside a cup or tea, a fresh pot of coffee and some toast. The Mobile Post Office continues to use the chapel car park for an hour each Tuesday.

We thoroughly enjoyed taking part in the Scarecrow Festival last year, producing a Scarecrow which was meant to represent John Wesley (established the Methodist movement), although some asked was it meant to be me!!!

We continue with our outreach work into the community and strive to make our premises a friendly and welcoming environment

7. Neighbourhood Watch (Mary Stoneman)

As a NHW Co-ordinator all Devon and Cornwall Alert Messages are sent to me within the secure Neighbourhood Alert system and are clearly branded as being from Devon and Cornwall Police. I then forward these messages onto my NHW members by email but they can also now be shared via Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Whatsapp and Messenger. The messaging system has greatly improved since inception. National and local alerts are being sent out on a regular and up to date basis. To sign up to this system you are required to complete a registration form online and have the opportunity to select the settings that interest you. As an example the latest alert I have received from Action Fraud is regarding Talk Talk emails and a refund.

Unfortunately with the absence of a local PCSO to talk to our elderly and vulnerable, and anyone who may not want to be computer literate, do not have a regular point of contact. So I use the Parish Magazine as a way of communication with these groups to publicise the latest scam, the contact details for the police can also to be found there.

8. Parish Church (the Chairman on behalf of Rev'd Heather West)

This has been a busy and productive year for the church although it has not been without its challenges. Services continue to be held every Sunday at 11.15 am with special services to commemorate Harvest Festival, Christmas and Easter. The Remembrance service last November was held jointly in the Methodist Church and this combined worship is always a welcomed event. Attendance at the Christmas carol service was very encouraging with well over 40 people in the church.

Fortunately the fabric of the church is generally in good order and the organ, which was serviced this year, was found to be in good condition despite its age. However some repairs to the floor will soon need to be undertaken which will cost close to a £1000. Fund raising has continued throughout the year with quizzes, monthly coffee mornings, and talks on flower arranging and the history of the church. These events are always well attended and we'd like to thank those in the community who continue to support the church in this way.

The church has welcomed the Cake and Rakers group who have shown great enthusiasm and commitment to creating a living churchyard in the closed section of the graveyard around the church. This will increase the

biodiversity of the land and create a harmonious space. Although the Parochial Church Council, (church committee) were unable to take on the financial responsibility for this a solution was found by the Cake and Rakers who have become volunteers with Cormac. We look forward to working with them during the coming year.

9. CP School (Theresa Mills)

Thank you for inviting me to your meeting this evening. As always, it is a pleasure sharing news of what we are doing at school. We continue to be considerably over-subscribed and have 108 on roll (full is 105). Only children with siblings at the school or those who live in the village have been admitted to our new reception class in September. This follows the same trend as last year. Again, we have said no to a number of first choice applicants for this class as well as refusing requests for in-year applications from other schools. However, tempting it would be to take in extra pupils (as schools are funded per pupil) we wish to remain a village school. It is very positive that we continue to be so popular.

The biggest challenge continues to be funding. 250 of 263 schools in Cornwall (95%) are facing cuts and the County has seen a £51.3 million loss between 2015 and 2019 which equates to £301 less per pupil. I have never known the financial situation of our schools to be this bad. There is a huge disparity between the funding per pupil in Cornwall and elsewhere in the Country. The children of Cornwall (and especially South Petherwin) deserve better. Go to schoolcuts.org.uk for further details.

Moving back to brighter things, we have greatly enjoyed the advantages our enlarged new hall has offered us. Last week we watched a theatre company (thanks to Phil Parsons and Rev'd Jo Smart) and next week we are hosting an indoor planetarium. We are also very proud of the successes our children have had. Our Year 6s were 'significantly above national' for their SATs in spelling and grammar. Furthermore we've celebrated children who have become TV stars! Harry and Ollie got through to the finals of Legomasters on Channel 4 and Joshua was on BBC Children in Need for being the biggest Countryfile Fundraiser. The Village Summer Fair last July was also a great success. The PTA worked very hard to host such a successful event and we look forward to repeating this and hopefully seeing you all on Saturday 13th July. Thanks to everyone in the Parish for all their support. Everything from installing the well-loved park in the school grounds to preventing dogs fouling just outside the grounds. We are very grateful.

10. Pre-School (Rachel Jeffery)

We have had another busy year at the preschool. We currently have 35 children on roll, 18 children will be going to start school in September. 12 children out of the 18 are going into South Petherwin primary and they are either all from the parish or have siblings in the school. We already have 22 children booked in with us from September this year and many of these children are also from within the parish. We are fortunate enough to be based within a lovely village community and enjoy writing of pieces for the parish magazine and sharing what we've been doing. We will be having our annual sports day event on the 21st June from 9-10, the races are being chosen by the children and they have some fantastic ideas. This should be a lot of fun and if you free and would like to watch you are more than welcome.

11. Bell Ringers (Sue Vernon on behalf of Nigel Parker) (Affiliated to the Truro Diocesan Guild of Bell Ringers)

This is my third annual report and the past year has been equally as busy and active as previous years. Our regular Monday evening practices have been very well attended with both our 'own' ringers and also with 'guests' from other local towers, including Boyton, St. Germans, Pillaton and St Mary's Launceston. Sometimes we have had as many as twelve ringers in the ringing chamber. The Centenary of the 1918 Armistice was celebrated with ringing of all the bells on the morning of 11th November, and again at 7.00pm when all the towers in the UK rang together as a most emotional mark of respect to those, particularly from our village, who never returned.

Ringling has taken place on most Sundays when enough ringers have been available, particularly on the 1st and 3rd Sundays in the month, to coincide with the bi-monthly Service of Communion and on other Sundays whenever possible.

We have had 'tower visits and ringling' from touring bands from Devon, Somerset, Kent Sussex and Hampshire during the year, and a visit from the Cornwall 'Old Codgers' group who rang a full quarter peal. Other local towers who have visited us as part of their annual outings have included, Lanivet, Madron, Gulval and Egloshayle. All our visitors have commented very favourably on both the bells and the bell chamber.

In July, we had a 'tower outing' and rang in Pelynt, Talland, Lanteglos by Fowey, Lostwithiel, and ended the day ringling the eight bells at Lanhydrock, where we had a most appreciative audience of Swiss and German tourists –

who had never seen 'change ringing' before. Once more it was possible to 'ring out the old and bring in the New' at midnight on New Year's Eve in festive mood.

A major event occurred on April 2nd when a band of visiting ringers rang a full peal of over 1350 changes with our bells in 2 hours 51 minutes nonstop. A feat in itself but not undertaken in the village for over 25 years.

It is also a pleasure to report that we have now bought, from our own funds, a complete new set of 'Muffles' for the bells, thanks to the stalwart efforts of Malcolm Wright and Mike Auger in the very tedious task of collecting the accurate measurements required. These muffles are much easier and quicker to install when required, and were first used on Armistice Morning in November to great effect and appreciation. The local band continue to maintain the bells as best they can but it is now seven years since they were re-hung. With the oldest bell being almost 300 years old serious maintenance is periodically required, and as this is beyond our means, we would like to assure the parish that we intend to apply to the South Petherwin Community Fund; initially for funds to get advice and maintenance for the tenor bell, which is instrumental in the chiming of the clock. We would sincerely hope that monies from the village wind turbine fund can support such a parish amenity project so central to all the village. We do not want a repeat of Lewannick and North Hill where neither church nor bells feature.

Finally, I would like to record how much I have enjoyed my year in office as Chairman and as it is my intention to leave the Parish that has been my home for almost 33 years, solely due to 'age and infirmity', I hope to continue to support the Tower in some way as long as I am able.

12. Bimbos (The Chairman on behalf of Vi Brook)

My Bimbos class is going well, we have a waiting list. Regards Vi.

13. Skittles (The Chairman on behalf of Vi Brook)

The Skittles club could do with some more, we are a bit thin on the ground so why not pay us a visit! We meet at the village hall on Tuesday evening at 7 pm. The cost is £2.50 that includes tea and raffle ticket. We are all friendly and I'm sure you will enjoy it. At skittles last night (7th May) we had a great game. Peter Vernon took over the marking and he kept us laughing from start to finish. Wish I'd had a camera, talk about an actor, we all went home laughing. Great show Peter. Regards Vi.

14. SPED (Phil Fox)

SPED was formed early in 2015 with the aim of providing an Automatic Emergency Defibrillator that would be accessible within the village, should it be required. The unit was obtained, installed, and available for use by the end of February 2015, and in case anyone isn't aware, it is in a bright yellow cabinet, attached to the village public toilets.

Since it was made available, fortunately it has not been called into use. Should anyone suffer a cardiac arrest, a helper who calls 999 should be informed of the code to unlock the cabinet, by the emergency services, and be able to retrieve the defibrillator to try and assist with restarting the victims' heart.

Of course, this all depends on someone being on hand to dial 999, and then, if possible, retrieve the defibrillator and deploy it. This is not as simple as we thought it would be at the time of setting it up in its cabinet. A while back the South West Ambulance Trust decided that a caller for a potential cardiac arrest would only be told of the location of a publicly accessible defibrillator if one was within 200 metres of the caller, as the crow flies. Realistically, this means that only a handful of houses would qualify for the above criteria.

To address this problem, the SPED group are considering several options that may make the defibrillator accessible to the Parish.

- Issue fridge magnets to the village, and possibly further afield, that contained the access code to the cabinet. This however needs verifying with the charity who support the defibrillator that it won't invalidate the insurance for the device, and that the code won't be changed.
- Start a volunteer scheme whereby a special telephone system is created that presents only one number to be called by someone needing the defibrillator, but calling that one number actually automatically dials up to 10 volunteers simultaneously, enabling a volunteer to take the defibrillator to where it is needed. This requires 10 volunteers from the village and surrounding area to provide the necessary numbers of people to ensure someone is able to answer the call, and get the defibrillator to where it's needed. This also has cost implications relating to setting up the automatic call forwarding service, and getting the information about the number to call to the wider community.

- Start a more informal voluntary group of fewer people willing to be called in an emergency, and try to get the defibrillator to where required on a best endeavour basis.

At this moment I am trying to talk to the charity that provided, and supports the defibrillator, about what options will work best. Unfortunately it is taking a long time to be able to track down the correct people to talk to a time when they are available on the phone.

Apart from the above, even if the defibrillator isn't used, it still has cost implications. This year we have had to buy a replacement battery, and two sets of pads, as the original items were going passed their expiry date. That alone has cost of £235, and taking out a years support will add another £152. We have funds to cover these items, but we will need to top our support funds up to cover any of the work we decide to carry out from the options listed above, and to replace anything that needs replacing in the event the defibrillator is used in earnest. To this end we are hosting a quiz at the Frog and Bucket this coming Sunday (June 2nd), so please come along and support us, although please go through Debbie at the Frog and Bucket to ensure you get your entry registered.

15. **The parish website (Phil Fox)**

This is my first year administering the website for the Parish, since I took over from Roger Pyke, who did a superb job of setting it up in the first place and then kept it running until I took over several months back.

In case anyone didn't know the Parish had a website, it's URL (or web address) is www.southpetherwin.com. it is not just a useful tool to hold information about the Parish, past and present, it is also a useful social media tool in enabling the Parish Council to make available to the Parish in particular, and anyone else in the world, the minutes of the Parish Council meetings. These are uploaded to the website on a regular basis by the Clerk to the Parish Council.

The website is also a useful social media tool for the Parish Magazine, as each copy is uploaded to the website, once it has been published in print, by the Parish Magazine Editor.

As things go, the website is not as easy to update as, for example, the Facebook page reflecting what is happening in South Petherwin, but none the less, it is still a valuable tool for making information on local groups within South Petherwin, available to the masses. If anyone wants to take over as administrator, please come forward, as I intend standing down ASAP as I have too much going on elsewhere.

16. **Community Benefit Fund (Jonathan Blake, Treasurer)**

The Community Benefit Members have met on 4 occasions over the last 12 months' and in that time have distributed the following grants, within the South Petherwin Parish.

- South Petherwin School PTA £1,500.00
- South Petherwin Allotment Group £236.47
- South Petherwin Village Hall £3,500.00.
- South Petherwin Cake and and Rakers £160.00

As at our last meeting on 24th April there was a balance in the Trust's bank account of £7,975.48. This is available to any future successful applicants and the accounts, for the year ending 30th May 2018 have been professionally audited by Prydis Accountants in Liskeard. Grant applications are always welcome as are interested individuals who wish to join as a Trustee.

17. **Cake and Rakers (Abigail Caine)**

The Cake and Rakers group has been in existence for 1 year. It's about land conservation for plants and wildlife, we talked to the Parish Council and church for funds to set this up. We were then put in touch with Cormac and have been liaising with Elaine Dickenson. Cormac agreed to alter the grass cutting times for the year but it will still be cut 4 times a year but when it's best for the plants and wildlife. Cormac will mow around the memorials once a month. Launceston area wildlife group are working with us and are coming to monitor the hedgehogs and moths that we have visiting the churchyard. We would like to thank the community benefit fund for the grant to purchase the wheelbarrows and rakes for the group. We are pleased to have a display in the telephone box, Dee Campbell has crocheted some fantastic plants, bees and butterflies for the display. The display contains some very good recipes also for people wanting to give them a try.

The Cake and Rakers want to do a video project about people buried in the cemetery. If anyone could help we can arrange to meet and set up to record and video stories.

18. SING! (Sam Davies)

We have 15 regular members and have been running for a year. It's a cross between a social group and a choir where we sing a variety of songs of pop from different eras. When everyone is comfortable and confident we may start to perform at events.

19. Highways (The Chairman of behalf of Oliver Jones, CORMAC)

Currently I don't really have any highway updates other than the new highway live programme. The proposed designs for the Community Network Area highway funds are ready:

Trelinnoe Gardens - footpath access protection
Trebursye - Improved directional signing
Tresmarrow - Improved directional signing
Telephone box – parking restrictions

Cllr Parson explained the plans to paint the white lines in Daws house to help with the speeding issues and how they would be painted to make the road appear narrower than it is.

Question: Is something going to be happening about the speeding in South Petherwin Village?

Answer: I will take your concerns back to the Parish Council and contact council highways to find out.

20. Tree Warden (Lavinia Archer)

Introducing your tree warden. I'm not an expert and have no special powers I just feel that trees matter and that we should appreciate the woods and hedges in the parish and value their contribution to our lives. I won't be able to solve your problems but I might know a man who can. I wonder are there any trees in South Petherwin that have a story to tell? Contact me on 772845 or email larcher@myphone.coop.

21. The Little Red Bus (Lavinia Archer)

The Little Red Bus has great excursions and is always open to suggestions of where to visit. We have regular shopping trips to Truro on 1st Wednesday of the month, Bodmin trips every Monday and Tavistock alternative Saturdays from next month. The Bodmin trip is very popular. It leaves town at 9am, calls at Stourscombe, Tregadillett, Lewannick, Plusha, 5 lanes, Altarnun, Bolventor, and goes to Asda, Lidl, town square and the hospital. This is a ring and ride service so you need to call to book your seat. Extra stops can be arranged on all trips if it's on the route and it's safe to stop. Just ask.

22. Dark Skies (Lavinia Archer)

Bodmin Moor is a Dark Skies area, and as South Petherwin is in the buffer zone between it and Launceston town, we need to be aware of our outside lighting. When an outside light is installed, ensure:

- you use the correct bulb for the task: 300-500W is far too bright for a small area; it wastes energy and can dazzle possible witnesses. 100W is often more appropriate, uses less energy & saves you money.
- that it shines only where needed, on an area where intruders might be seen by people nearby.
- avoid light above the horizontal, which causes light pollution of the night sky.
- check, at night, when the light has been installed, that it shines only within your premises.
- only use it when needed or use a timer and adjust to the minimum period necessary to save energy and cut your bills.
- Remember; a light in a secluded, unseen area is a courtesy light for the burglar.

A recent star count showed that we could do better. See www.nightblight.cpre.org.uk/maps or if you want to go star-gazing www.gostargazing.co.uk/location-map

...and take time to watch the Space Station passing over us. Within that little star people are working and eating and sleeping . . .

23. Cornwall Councillor (Cllr Neil Burden)

Changes in electoral boundaries. It is all too obvious that the public are very confused over pending changes in electoral boundaries particularly with the new community governance review where parishes have been asked do they want to change their boundaries? Time for applications has been extended from April to July. This is the first

experience of such a change, although the other districts in Cornwall do this review periodically NCDC refused to partake. The Cornwall Council divisions have now been decided by the boundary commission and from 2021 there will be only 87 elected members as opposed to the current 123 and the new division for this area will be called Altarnun and Stoke Climsland from Kit hill to Jamaica Inn and all the Parishes in between. It will be the largest division in Cornwall area and 9% electors more than the guidelines stipulate. As to the parliamentary constituencies that is in limbo as still yet to go through parliament. The plan is that there will be less MP's from 650 -600 and a new parliamentary constituency of north Cornwall and NW Devon. Climate change emergency reducing the waste and plastic reduction demonstrations by children each Friday are held at County Hall and had up to 600 attendees last Friday. On 22nd January the council declared a climate emergency and officers were given 6 months to come back with a plan. The hope is that Cornwall can become carbon neutral by 2030. By supporting more renewable energy, reduce waste, improve public transport and reduce traffic. Installing LED street lighting almost immediately. Plastic beakers replaced by paper cups and lots of signs floating around. Stoke Climsland PC have already signed up. More children are in care and more children being home tutored, there were 411 home tutored in 2014 and there is 1024 being home tutored in 2019. This is the parents' choice. There are appeals going out for foster carers in Cornwall. The cost of all adult social care is rising, the big issue is the availability of carers. Even when you are self-funding another £12m has been added to this area. But the majority of people fund themselves through savings, pensions or are recharging their home. There are areas that are very demanding like those with complex conditions, and some are part paid by the NHS but for the elderly, who have no financial means, then that is kept to around 2000 people in Cornwall and it is not an easy task to keep them with the rising cost. The planning teams will revert to the old district areas and have been holding public events 'meet the planners'. (Stoke Climsland) Success! After much toing and froing the road was resurfaced outside the school and hatching legally placed which could now lead to prosecution by those who decide to ignore the restrictions. The new highway scheme for each network got off to a flying start as the Launceston network was the first to allocate all the funds of £200k and the siting of the 2 vehicular speed signs have already been designed for Bray Shop. A warning; these units can read your speed 80 yards away. Enforcement is frustrating all CC members. Cornwall council adopted a policy of building houses themselves with the intention of selling some and renting the others. 120 nearly finished in Bodmin with zinc coated metal sheeted roofs. In the news, the stadium development has grounded to halt. The part of the roof on the £141m incinerator blew off twice, the heat generators have yet to operate after a year. The development continues in the early stages, a planning application could be in next month, this will be a staged development on the south side of the A30 inclusive of a service station, livestock market and industrial units. As yet I have not had sight of any plans as I am informed that they have been redrawn to suit the demand of planners EA and other principle agencies. The council have joined the living wage foundation at £9 which is 25p more than the living wage of policy. Partly because the council adopted the policy from a min wage to a foundation living wage, where older contracts have been agreed they will be subsidising the contractor. Council signed up to the foundation living wage, no one working for the council will receive less than £9. There will be major changes in refuse, weekly collection of food waste and recycling and fortnightly for the rest starting mid 2020 with the possibility of wheelie bins being introduced next year. I gave money from my community fund, this comprised of £550 to the prostate support group, £200 to the money advice centre and £200 to South Petherwin for a grit bin. The customers digital access to services review which I chaired last year is still having implications as it is now agreed that it must not be digital by default, this is now being promoted in all the arm's length companies. The frightening this is that there are now so many social media windows. Nothing can beat sharing in the village shop and talking face to face. Question: How much money was wasted on Bangors Quarry? Answer: 330 thousand pound was paid for the tarmac plant. A machine was bought from Germany to run it but it broke and now nothing is happening.

24. Parish Council report (Chairman Cllr P Parsons)

We meet the second Wednesday of every month, 6 months in the village hall and 6 months of the year in the chapel. Anyone is more than welcome to attend; meetings start at 7pm. The fun day was held in conjunction with the Frog and Bucket it was a great success and we received lots of positive comments on the day. It was good to see so many people from the community together joining in with the village trail, and all the families staying around and using the inflatable slide and bucking bronco. We would like to thank the Community Benefit Fund for the grant and supporting the event and also a big thank you to everyone who helped make the event a success.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9:10pm and thanked all those who attended.