

CARLYON PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT MAY 2015

Another year has passed and the Parish Council continues its work on behalf of the residents of Carlyon Parish. As in previous years the speed of progress seems sometimes hindered by bureaucracy but I think we are beginning to realize that it is almost inevitable. During the year there was an effort by Chacewater Parish Council, and many likeminded Cornish parish councils, to improve local powers (localism) and reduce the blanket controls of Cornwall Council but nothing appears to have changed!

Your Parish Council has had a busy year, having been consulted on 30 separate planning applications and taken part in one planning inquiry (the result of which has not yet been announced). It has also continued to monitor previously approved developments and attended Beach Liaison Group meetings and Eden "Hot-Rock" energy meetings. We continue to keep up the pressure on the Sea Road/Beach Road s106 improvements and will try to work with developers to ensure reasonable traffic management around Carlyon Bay when large scale building work begins.

The two recreational areas in the parish continue to flourish and are increasingly used by residents and visitors, although this has brought its own problems with increased inconsiderate parking and an increase in uncleared dog fouling. We have installed an additional dog waste bin on the Sea Road site and improved the footpath signage. To maintain the main field access clear for emergency vehicles, lockable parking bollards were introduced, sadly these were very quickly damaged, presumably by careless parking! The permissive path leading from Sea Road has been resurfaced and the nearby lookout area, opposite the Porth Avellen Hotel, has been refurbished and a new litter bin installed.

In Tregrehan we have installed additional Play equipment and purchased two new goal posts. A clearly marked area on the Tregrehan Field has had plastic matting laid to produce a parking area to help improve parking arrangements in the village. Through the Cornwall Flood Forum, we have obtained a supply of sand and sandbags (to be kept in the Carthouse) to help protect homes in Tregrehan from flooding.

I cannot let the year pass without thanking our Parish Clerk for her splendid work on our behalf and I would also like to thank Councillor Fran Taylor for her work with the Footpath and Planning Inquiries. I must also thank Councillor Kelly for his work with the Tregrehan Recreation area. Finally Councillor Sheehan, and the members of the Carlyon Bay Recreation Committee (assisted by the phantom flagger!) who monitor the field and carry out the required safety checks every month.

I would like to remind residents that Parish Council has, for the sixth year in succession (i.e. since its formation), managed to reduce the precept paid by Council Tax ratepayers. If you would like to become involved with the Parish Council, we still have one place available for a Councillor to represent Carlyon Bay, and either I or the Parish Clerk would be delighted to explain what this entails

**J-P HERMES
CHAIRMAN**

FINANCE

Council Income

The main income of parish and town councils is provided by local residents via the Parish Precept, an element of your Council Tax. The amount of Precept received for 2015/16 was £19,194.29.

How we spent your money

Income

Precept	£19,194.29
Bank Interest	£68.75
VAT Refund	£2,056.95
Other Income	£3,206.26
Total Income	£24,526.25

Expenditure

Employee costs	£8699.06
Accommodation	£391.00
Administration	£1738.83
Training	£1961.33
Chairman's and Councillor's Allowances	£0.00
Website	£170.00
Projects	£2601.33
Devolved Services	£30.00
Recreation Areas	£4419.80
Footpath Maintenance	£516.00
VAT	£1341.20
Total Expenditure	£21,868.55

SURPLUS **£2,657.70**

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