

## **Cornwall Councillor Report – Carlyon Parish Council – December 2022**

As we head towards Christmas I hope everyone is doing well.

It has been great to be out and about around the parish supporting the festive events, as well as numerous local small businesses during the Small Business Saturday event at the beginning of the month.

Onto other matters:

In response to the poor weather over the weekend of 10/11 December I made several calls to Cormac and secured refilling of all of the division grit bins, which was all done in the following week. Thanks to those people who have been out and gritted the roads in their areas.

After taking numerous queries on it, I have asked Cormac if it would be possible to add the main road that runs through Carlyon Bay to the gritting schedule.

At the moment there are hundreds of houses off this road that are nowhere near a gritted road. See attached schedule map.

My understanding is that Cormac won't consider allowing a Parish council to purchase grit bins unless the road they are on is immediately off a scheduled gritting road, so this means that none of the estates in Carlyon Bay would qualify as there is no road on the schedule nearby.

In contrast Charlestown, Pentewan, Mevagissey etc all have gritting scheduled roads that go right into them or by them.

My request would be to have the road put on the schedule either from Church Road, Charlestown or from Holmbush Arch Road, both directly off a gritted road, then along Crinnis Road past Charlestown School, down Beach Road, and then along Cypress Avenue, rejoining the gritted schedule at Par Moor Road.

I have asked the Parish Council if they would consider supporting my request, and Cormac have said they will review and consider it at the end of the season.

On traffic matters, after discussions with Cormac, the consultation for the waiting restrictions on Bodelva Hill is going ahead and is live as 14 December.

I was pleased to see the Carlyon Neighbourhood Development Plan move on to the legal compliance and examination stage. Well done to everyone involved with this, which will help safeguard our green spaces and unbuilt upon land.

On a wider note, with the closure of the Penwinnick Road offices Cornwall Council services, including face to face services in St Austell have temporarily relocated to Carlyon House, the big office block by Polkyth Leisure Centre in St Austell.

As we head towards the end of the year, I wanted to put on the record my enormous gratitude and thanks to the parish council for everything you've done over the past year. As volunteers, you are truly unsung heroes of our community.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year for 2023.