

PORTREATH PARISH COUNCIL

Notes from the Portreath ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held on the 20th May 2019 at St Mary's Church Hall from 6:30pm.

Present: Councillors Mr. S. Kendall, Mr. B Jose, Miss. L. Frazer, Mr. D Ilett, Mr I Stewart and Chairman Mr. C. Matijasevic
Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Duffin
27 members of the public

Welcome

The Chairman welcomes everyone to the meeting and explaining the emergency procedures for the evening. The Chairman thanked Portreath School for the donations of cakes and stated that all donations from the refreshments would be passed to the school.

Apologies

Apologies were noted from Cllr. Hitchen, Penny Platts, Heather Tippner, Susie Bryant and Cassie Pamplin

Chairman's Annual Report on the Parish Council

The Chairman explained the role of Parish Councillors to the meeting. The Chairman commented that it had been another very busy year and highlight some of the projects Councillors had been working on including:

- Remembrance Day Parade: The Chairman commented that there was an Excellent turnout which had been well supported by the school and other parish organisations. The Chairman gave thanks to all involved, especially The Parish Clerk for superb organisation of the event.
- Toilets: The Chairman reported that the parish council continues to receive many positive comments regarding the new toilets and that members aim to have the telegraph pole removed if possible. The Chairman confirmed that the former toilet building will see the development along the lines suggested during the public consultation.
- The Sea Wall: The Chairman explained that following the destruction last year, much work has been undertaken by our emergency services to ensure the safety of parishioners. Then the lengthy process to identify ownership, funding and then the rebuild was led by the Environment Agency to ensure all was in place for Easter this year. The EA did a great job and Portreath Parish Council extends their appreciation to all concerned.
- Flood Defence The Chairman explained that through our local MP and the EA over £4m has been secured to shore up our defenses against fluvial flooding. Public consultations were held and EA are pursuing solutions with the aim of completing all aspects of the work by March 2021.
- Anti-Social Behaviour: The Chairman commented that many instances antisocial behaviour had been reported by parishioners during the summer of 2108. A meeting was held on the 29/10 with all relevant parties ranging from residents, agencies and organisations. A number of solutions were identified which we help will minimise such issues this year.

The Chairman went on to remind parishioners that Portreath Parish Council meet on the first Monday of each month starting 6.30pm at Portreath School. The Chairman thanked the school for allowing use of their facilities.

Chairman's observations on the Councils finances.

There being no audited accounts at this time the Chairman summarised the council's finances stating that at the end of 2018/19 that was £39,000.00 in the Parish Council's accounts. The annual running costs of the council were £60,000.00 with £20,000.00 budgeted for the running of the toilets and £15,000.00 as a contingency fund. The Chairman thanked Portreath Improvements Committee for their generous donation towards the running of the toilets.

Report of Cornwall Councillor Mrs. J. Duffin

CC Duffin addressed the meeting stating that a lot of her time this year had been spent looking at flooding and flood prevention.

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CC Duffin went on to explain the planning process and the stages both she and the Parish Council were involved during the process. CC Duffin explained that both the public and Parish Council are notified of planning as consultees and explained where to find information of new planning applications relevant to the parish. CC Duffin explained the process when the planning officers and the Parish Council disagree on a proposal and stated that where possible planners work to resolve issues without involving the planning committee. CC Duffin referred to national planning policy and the Cornwall Local Plan and explained how this would tie in with the NDP.

CC Duffin reminded the meeting about the Boundary review and stated that the number of Cornwall Councillors would be reducing from 123 to 87, and each constituency will have more than 5000 constituents. CC Duffin mentioned that Local Governance Review which is under way stating that it gives parishes an opportunity to review boundaries.

CC Duffin explained to the meeting the progress and delays in the completion of the Tolgus Trail. CC Duffin stated that the aim was to have a trail leading all the way to Redruth. CC Duffin addressed some residents' concerns about the fencing at the new visibility splay on New Portreath Road.

Residents questioned CC Duffin about the poor state of repair of the bench around the harbour and asked for increased signage directing walkers and cyclists to the Mineral Tram route.

To receive the accounts and reports of the local registered charities and local organisations.

Verbal reports were given by:

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| Rebekah Rumsby | Portreath Preschool |
| Charlotte Mackrill | Portreath Youth Club |
| Zoe Ford | Portreath Improvements Committee (PIC) |
| Lucy Wilson | Portreath Pilot Gig Rowing Club |
| Patrick Kessell | Portreath Association Limited (PAL) |
| Helen Jones | PATCH Toddler Group |

The meeting took a 20-minute refreshment break and continued with the reports from:

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| Colin Higgs | Portreath Harbour Association |
| Colin Higgs | HM Coastguard Portreath |
| Geoff Hodge | Portreath Film Club |
| Cath Dennis | Carn to Cove |
| Amanda Goldring | The Big Brunch and The Trevenson Food Drop |
| Craig Salaomne | Portreath Surf Lifesaving Club |
| #Love Portreath | Kaj Skjervic |
| Ben Jones | St Mary's Church |
| Christopher Matijasevic | Portreath Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group |

Written reports were received from:

Portreath School, 1st Portreath Brownies, Portreath Art Club, Stitch Club, Crafty Kids.

To consider motions of which written notice has been received and to receive motions from the meeting

There were no motions received prior to, or during the meeting.

Close

Chairman Cllr. Matijasevic thanked everyone for their attendance and participation, commenting on the inspiring wealth of things going on in the Parish. The meeting closed at 9:15pm.