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<u>Cllr Resignation -</u> We say farewell and thank you to Kevin Richards who has resigned as a Parish Councillor, we wish you all the best in your future endeavours and thank you for your time and commitment to the Parish Council. This does, however, leave us with a vacancy at the Parish Council table. Why don't you come and join us for a meeting? There is no obligation to sign up as a councillor, but you just might find that it is something of interest to you. The Parish Councillors are a friendly and hospitable group of volunteers, all with their own unique views on how and what can be done to support and improve the lives for all the residents. This, at times, leads to very lively good-natured debates where everyone gets involved. If you are looking for a new challenge, require further information, or would like to see first-hand what goes on at a meeting, contact the clerk on the details above.

Meetings— At this point in time all our meetings are being carried out online. Face to face meetings are still not being advised, but that does not mean you as members of the public cannot get involved. If you would like to attend any of the meetings and do not have access to a computer, or the internet, we can and will make provisions for you to be heard. We value your opinions and views, so if you want to have your say on any items that are up for discussion on the agenda get in touch. Our contact details are above. If you think there is an issue that we should be discussing, please let the office know. Our main meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month and the agenda will be out on our notice boards three working days before the meeting.

<u>Closure Dates for September</u> The Cemetery and the Playing field will be closed on the 2nd, 15th and 29th September for routine maintenance. The Playing field will be closed in the morning and the Cemetery will be closed for the day. Sorry for any inconvenience.

<u>Small Grants</u> – Just a reminder to all those community groups that are operating within the Parish. The Parish Council have a small budget each year for grants to help community groups within the area. In the last year we awarded funding to the Tuesday Friends, Friday Patchwork Club, and the Working Man's Club, amongst others, to help with projects, equipment and organising events. If your group or organisation could benefit from a little extra funding application forms can be found on our website or contact the office for further information.

<u>Daily Exercise</u> — During the current pandemic we have noticed an increased use of the footpaths within the area, unfortunately, we have also had reported in and increase in litter and dog fouling. We would respectfully ask dog owners to be responsible and clean up after their animals. To help combat this the Parish Council will be installing a bin at Trerice Terrace (near Rockwenna Livery Yard) Please make good use of it.......... If you are running out of places to walk why not have a look at Cornwall Councils interactive mapping (https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/community-and-living/mapping/?page=17724) you can find all the public footpaths not just for our area but for the whole of Cornwall. If you do notice problems with any of the footpaths while you are out and about, please inform the Parish Council office.

Reporting - Thank you to those members of the public who have reported all types of issues to us here in the office. We have forwarded on your concerns to the relevant departments and hope that you notice some of the issues that you reported have been addressed. Others, unfortunately, will be on a delay, as only essential work is currently being undertaken by a lot of organisations. If you do see a problem, you can use the Report It page on Cornwall Council website. It's easy to do and they will keep you up to date on the progress of any issue you report. Or give us a call in the office, where we are happy to help.

<u>Make your voice heard</u> – The Parish Council have launched a survey to find out resident's views on the provision of allotments. We have had a great response so far, with most residents in favour of this idea. Follow this link to survey monkey https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8FYHN3M and let us know how you feel about this idea, is this a service you would use? We are still running our survey on the complete ban of dogs from the playing field, The link to take part in this survey can be found here https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TG7DBMF. Both surveys will be closing at the end of August when we will share the outcomes with the public.

Opening hours: Monday - Friday 9:30am - 12:30pm