



## St.Dennis Parish Council

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### Newsletter

## August 2023

### Presentation of the Good Citizen Award 2023 (Adult Section)

After deliberation at our recent Council meeting, 3 lovely ladies were chosen. As the Council could not decide between 2nd and 3rd place, they felt it only fair to agree on joint 2nd so here are the results.

#### 1st - Ann Chapman.

For all her support in the community with many organisations and especially her fundraising for Cancer Research and for helping raise valuable funds for FOSDA. – thank you.

#### 2nd - Jo Lake.

For all her support in the community for the people who need help with their cats and the care she gives to the animals, and everyone involved with this cause – thank you.

#### 2nd - Edwina Snell.

For her warmth to others to ensure there is always a listening ear and someone to rely on in their time of need. For always being there and providing invaluable service to the community – thank you.

The Good Citizen Awards were presented by Cllrs. Clarke, Kelsey and Harwood at the Working Men's Club on 6 July. The St Dennis Ukulele Band kicked off the evening and the awards took place during the interval. We would like to thank the Ukulele Band for standing in last minute for the Imerys Mid Cornwall Male Choir, who were originally due to perform, but cancelled due to illness. The evening was a lively one with the Ukulele Band certainly bringing toe-tapping music to the club. Also, during the interval, Jacky Ashby, the Treasurer of the St.Dennis Bells & Ringers Bell Restoration Project, was presented with £486.38 towards the restoration of the church bells. This donation, towards the St Denys Bells appeal, was raised at the Coronation party.



### **Bat Box**

Bats have suffered a serious decline due to loss of habitat, so to help with this, we investigated whether Brannel School could help, and they have. They have made a Bat Box which we are installing in the cemetery shortly. The box should entice bats to roost and create a safe environment for them to thrive. We will keep you up-to-date with developments on this.

### **Grass Cutting in the Playing Field and Cemetery**

The grass cutting in these areas takes place twice a month and the dates for August are 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. The playing field and the cemetery will be temporarily closed on these dates until the grass has been cut. Our Maintenance Workers cordon these areas off on the day, to ensure that everyone stays safe.

### **Residents Feedback Form**

We are asking for your help regarding feedback on St.Dennis Parish Council. Our main objective is to understand how we can communicate our services and what we do for the community, to get more people involved. The feedback form will be distributed to all households within the Parish shortly. If you could spare a moment to read this through, jot down anything that you would like to say about how we operate, good or bad, and return the form to us, your comments would be most welcome. Our aim is to work with everyone to get things done.

### **Playing Field - Consultation on Dog Walking area**

At a recent Council meeting, to enable a piece of land to be utilised in a different way within the playing field, it was decided that a secure dog walking area would be an asset. This would be a pet friendly walking space which should hopefully cut down or eliminate the problem with dog fouling in the playing field. The Parish Council will be looking into creating this space and will run a consultation nearer the time, to obtain residents' views and support for this project.

### **Fly Tipping**

We would like to remind everyone about the problem of fly tipping within the Parish. This is an expensive issue for the Council and if you see any fly tipping **please, please** inform the office. We will inspect and take the appropriate action for removal. If you have any rubbish which you need to dispose of, please be mindful of how you dispose of it in a safe and proper manner. Thank you.

### **Skate Park Work**

The Parish Council have been consulting with contractors to ensure that the skate park is safe to use and remains "good as new" for as long as possible. We are pleased to confirm that works will be started in September for the general maintenance and repair of the skate park. During this time, the skate park will be closed off, for safety purposes. We are also installing a new metal bench and concreting an area by the side of the skate park, to make this section more workable for everyone that uses the skate park. We will confirm nearer the time, the arrangements for this.

### **Coronation Mugs – King Charles III**

These are still available from ClayTAWC or the Parish Council office, if you would like one.



### **Installation of the Queen Elizabeth II Bench and Heavenly Post Box in the Cemetery**

We are delighted to confirm that our Maintenance Workers have now installed the Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Bench on Hendra Corner. It is a lovely memorial of Queen Elizabeth II and we hope that everyone within the Parish agrees and will enjoy using it. They have also installed a “Heavenly Post Box” within the cemetery grounds. This post box can be used by anyone who would like to write down in a note, their thoughts and memories of loved ones who have passed away. The note should be sealed in an envelope and placed in the post box. On a regular basis the post box will be emptied by a member of the parish council. The envelopes will not be opened or read by anyone. All envelopes will then be securely disposed of.

