



# St.Dennis Parish Council

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Newsletter

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### Could being a Councillor be for you?

We are still looking for Councillors to join us. If this is something you would like to pursue, you are more than welcome to attend meetings and come along to see what we do. Our main Council meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month, so come along and see how you can get involved. This is your opportunity to make a difference and have an input in changing and shaping the area that we live in for the benefit of those around us. If you would like to find out more before attending a meeting, please contact the Parish Council office or check out our Website for more information. A warm welcome will be offered to anyone who would like to sit it on one of our meetings. Come along and see if this is for you.

### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - St Dennis Village Litter Pick – Wednesday 10th April 2024

The Parish Council are excited to announce that we are running a village litter pick on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April. This will start from 10:00 am at the ClayTAWC building and will head towards the playing field and include all surrounding areas, within the village. We would love individuals and families to join us and be involved. We will be supplying FREE refreshments on the day and there will be free goody bags for all children who take part, and a certificate to say a big thank you for your involvement in the litter pick. As a Parish Council, litter is a big problem and recently the Parish Council have had to make the decision for our Maintenance Workers to carry out litter picking throughout the village, due to the amount of litter we are currently experiencing. If you would like to help, please note the date and arrive just before 10:00 am on the day. All equipment is provided. It will be a fun morning and you will be surprised at just how much litter is collected. We look forward to seeing you there.

### St Dennis Cemetery Footpath

Our Maintenance Workers have been working hard on the cemetery footpath. The weather was very kind to them and they were able to improve the surface of the footpath to make it more accessible during the Winter months, and generally more useable for everyone. They did a great job and we hope you will think so too.

### Dog Fouling in the Cemetery

We are sad to report that dog fouling is still continuing within the cemetery grounds. Relatives report this on a regular basis and due to some irresponsible pet owners, this has become a real problem. As a reminder, please can all pet owners ensure that their dogs are kept on leads at all times. We would appreciate everyone picking up after their dog when walking in the cemetery – the Parish Council even offer dog waste bags free of charge from the Parish Council office, so there is no excuse. Unfortunately, if the dog fouling continues, the Parish Council will have no alternative but to consider the option of banning dogs from the area. Please can respect be shown.

### Good Citizen Award 2024

It is that time of year again where we are considering launching the Good Citizen of the Year Award 2024. Do you know someone who really does need to be recognised for their selfless acts and kindness to others? Would you like to put someone forward? It's a really easy form that needs to be completed and these are available from the Parish Council office or can be downloaded from our website. Please contact us as soon as possible if you have someone in mind. When the Good Citizen is chosen, we run an informal presentation of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize and these winners receive a Trophy. It recognises and appreciates them for all they have done and are doing.

### Grit and Grit Bins

We are pleased to confirm that all grit bins around the village are now full and the installation of a new grit bin at Hendra Heights to replace the broken one, has been completed. The Parish Council have also approved and ordered an additional bin for the top of Trelavour Road and Enniscafen and these should be arriving soon. If the grit needs to be used, please consider others, and use sparingly to ensure that everyone is able to have some. Thank you.

### **St Dennis Parish Council – Education Grants**

We are always trying to encourage all residents of the St.Dennis Parish to apply. If you think we can help you, please obtain an application form from the Parish Council office or from our website. The grants are not means tested, it does not matter if you and your partner work. You can only be considered if you apply! Have you thought about a career change? Is the cost of re-training holding you back? Why not apply ... there is no age limit on applications and these grants can be used for anything from computer to apprenticeship tools. If you would like to discuss making an application at any time, please contact the Parish Council office for more information or check out our Website.

### **The Parish Council itself**

We are here to help the residents of the village and keep the village running as smoothly as possible. We have lots of exciting plans for this year so watch this space. You can always check out our Facebook page and Website for details of what is going on.