

Highlight Report from the Altarnun Parish Council
Annual General Meeting & the Monthly Meeting
7.00pm, Wednesday, 5th June 2019, Altarnun Village Hall.

ALTARNUN PARISH COUNCIL - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

The Parish Clerk read out the 2018/19 Annual Report and presented the 2018/19 Financial Report. (See separate report). The Clerk said that parish assets, grounds and budget had been tightly managed through the year with expenditure running under budget enabling funds to be built up for the proposed new public toilet block in Altarnun. Records will be available for a limited time for public inspection via the Clerk who could be contacted on 01566 86582 or by email at clerk2altarnunpc@btinternet.com. Copies of the Report and the financial report were then formally ratified with Councillor Richards proposing ratification which was seconded by Councillor Baker-Pannell. The Clerk advised the meeting that preparations for the internal & external audits had begun and public notices & paperwork will be issued later in the month and the audit submissions confirmed at the July meeting. After review, questions and answers the Clerk confirmed her retirement and thanked the Councillors for their support over the last ten years. The APC expressed the Council's appreciation for the contribution made by the Clerk over the last ten years. The Meeting closed at 7.25pm.

ALTARNUN PARISH COUNCIL - MONTHLY MEETING for June 2019:

Attendance: Councillors C Dowler, C Bloomfield, D Branch, M McCallum, L Baker-Pannell & C Richards; Parish handyman P Smart; Cornwall Councillor A Parsons and one resident from Bolventor.

Apologies: Councillors T Hoskin, N Jasper, J Kendall, P Smith & W Smith.

The APC considered planning applications **PA19/03144** & Listed Building Consent application **PA19/03145** for proposed change of use of barns into two dwellings at Old Hay, Veau, Altarnun by Mr S Medlicott and raised **NO OBJECTION**. Cornwall Councillor Parsons reprised highlights from the previous month advising that Cornwall Council had issued an open invitation to all residents, community groups and local businesses to submit comments on the Government Boundary Review. He asked the Parish Council to ensure their submission met the deadline of 17th July 2019 and asked that they encourage the community to participate too. The Clerk was asked to highlight this in the monthly report for the TrePolPen. Councillor Parsons then advised that the Space Agency had named Newquay Airport as the home of the proposed UK Space Launch site. There was a lively debate about the level of investment, potential income generation & job creation and possible impact upon recently announced climate change goals. The Parish Groundsman reported that scheduled maintenance & grass cutting continued and phase 1 of the footpath Maintenance programme had been completed. Hedges had been trimmed and new fencing had been erected in the Parish Cemetery. The Council discussed improvement plans for the cemetery including the introduction of a green re-cycling bin & the re-siting of the water butt. There was a lengthy debate about the increase in dog fouling especially at Five Lanes & on the Village green, despite the increase in dog waste bins which were being well used. He was asked to post more public warning notices & install another bin by the Five Lane Bus Stop. The Clerk updated the Council on the status of parish projects. Cllr McCallum was authorised to pursue the provision of a battery-operated defibrillator at the Five Lanes Bus Stop with the Community Heartbeat Trust. Community volunteers will be needed for the scheme to succeed. Training will be arranged and the Councillors and Clerk were asked to try and stimulate interest and support for the creation of the scheme's support team. Anyone interested in applying for training and membership of the support team should contact Cllr McCallum or the Parish Clerk as soon as possible or write their name and contact details upon the Defibrillator Team Application form in the village Post Office in Rose Hill, Altarnun. The Council then discussed their desire to link the official opening of the new toilets block with the Fun on the Green Festivities in July, if possible. A quote for a commercial cleaning contract for the toilets had been received and would be considered at the next meeting. In response to concerns being raised by Councillors & residents, the Clerk said that Mr Smart had been asked to prepare quotes for solutions aimed at protecting the village green from further vehicular damage. These will also be considered at the next meeting. The APC reviewed its current account balance, noted closure of the BOS Reserve Account and then approved payments to Smart Bros & AAV Services for grass cutting & general maintenance in May; to Smart Bros for the LMP Phase 1 footpath clearance; Safeguard ICT for renewal of the APC Website Services and the Clerk for office expenses. The Clerk then walked through the 2018/19 financial budget which had been updated to reflect receipt of the higher Precept needed to cover the anticipated costs associated with a commercial cleaning contract, the appointment of a new Clerk & the conclusion of approved parish projects. The APC then discussed the road repair work underway between Five Lanes and Treween. The work had regrettably impacted intermittently on local businesses & residents, but the repairs were much Needed. The Chair said the finished resurfacing had been long awaited, it will benefit all users & the community in the end. Finally, the APC voiced local resident complaints & concerns about the detrimental effect the derelict condition of empty Properties - Havenlea & Merlin Cottage in Altarnun. The Clerk and Cllr Parsons were asked to investigate what can be done to improve the condition of the buildings. The Parish Council will meet again on Wednesday, 3rd July 2019 at 7.30pm in Altarnun Village hall. All Residents are welcome to attend and give input on anything discussed, as always. The meeting ended at 9.00pm.