

Highlights from the Altarnun Parish Council meeting on Monday, 4th August 2014

Chair Dowler; 5 Parish Councillors; Cornwall Councillor Hall and 2 members of the public made it to the Bolventor Reading Room for the normally quiet August monthly meeting.

The Councillors considered the following Planning/Listed Building consent Applications and raised **NO OBJECTIONS**: - **PA14/06370** for a redundant barn conversion for residential use at Blackadon Farm, Bolventor; **PA14/05855** for the erection/extension of a lean to porch at the Old Byre, Tresmaine; **PA14/06022** for the erection of a ground mounted solar panel array (19.5KW) at Bowithick house, Bowithick; **PA14/06746 & 06234** for internal alterations and extension at West Carne farmhouse & annex. A late Planning Application - **PA14/06713** to erect a 2 storey extension at Trekenick Tor, Altarnun - arrived after the agenda was posted on 27th July. It too raised **NO OBJECTION**.

The Clerk informed the meeting that the Parish Council had been advised by Cornwall Council Democratic Services that five residents had contacted them but there had been insufficient requests to warrant a general election. As a result, the parish had been authorised to announce and advertise a local selection exercise to co-opt new Councillors to fill the vacancies. The advert would be issued locally on 5th August 2014. The closing date for applications is Friday, 29th August. The aim would be to see the new Councillors attend the Parish Council meeting scheduled for 6th October in the Altarnun village hall.

The Clerk confirmed that the delightful bus shelter murals prepared by pupils at Altarnun School had been put up and the launch event with Devon and Cornwall Police covered in the local press. She shared the photos she had taken at the launch. The Parish Council discussed ongoing road safety matters at Trewint and Plusha with the Clerk and Cornwall Councillor V Hall. The problem of finding a suitable site for a bus shelter at Trewint was discussed at length and agreement given to revisit the search for viable options. The Clerk reported that the Village Green had been damaged by a significant fuel leak and an increase in dog fouling following recent good weather and the rise in events at the Church. It would be prepared for the fun week but she warned that the area may need to be closed off after the event to allow the grass to be replaced/recover. The Council confirmed with the PCC representative P Hall that it would like to continue the current exceptional use of the Church Hall toilets for public use for up to 2 years as the new toilet block plans are pursued. The Council then completed their financial transactions and reviewed recent correspondence including Cornwall Council consultation on their proposed Leisure Services Strategy; the status of the A30 dual carriageway extension; Local Action Group developments and the proposed closure of the B3257 between Example Cross & Bodmin Road, Lewannick, and Bodmin Road, Congdons Shop, Launceston, for ducting works, between 18th August and 3rd September 2014.

The September meeting is scheduled for 7.30pm on Wednesday, 3rd September 2014, in the Altarnun Village hall. All residents are welcome.

Clerk to Altarnun Parish Council – August 2014.