

ALTARNUN PARISH COUNCIL – HIGHLIGHT REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2016

A relatively mild, if damp and foggy evening saw Chairman Dowler meet with 5 Councillors and the Parish Groundsman & Project Officer at the Bolventor Reading room for the pre-Xmas APC meeting.

The Councillors considered the following planning applications and raised NO OBJECTION:-

** **PA16/10310** – Listed building consent for a porch retention and internal alterations to previously approved extension proposals at the Jamaica Inn, Bolventor.

** **PA16/10232/33** – retrospective planning permission/listed building consent for chimney replacement Chy Meyn, Altarnun approved by APC in September 2016.

** **PA16/10394** – planning permission for the erection of a general purpose agricultural building for hay, straw, fodder, machinery & winter ewing of lambs @ Tregirls Farm, Altarnun.

The Councillors noted that grass cutting had ceased but regular bin clearance and cemetery upkeep continued. Messrs Smart & Parsons confirmed that Building Regulations for the new toilet block in Altarnun have been granted subject to SWW's support which is dependent upon a drainage survey being completed for a fee. The EA had been contacted by Mr Parsons and raised no objections to the proposals. Western Power feedback was awaited.

The Parish Council reviewed and authorised the monthly financial transactions before reviewing the current 2016/17 budget which remained on track. It then considered and supported the preliminary 2017/18 budget outline proposed by the Clerk. After discussion the APC decided to hold its precept submission at its current level through 2017/18. The Clerk's recommendation that in line with recent briefing from Cornwall Council, provision be made within the Parish Reserves account for the potential costs of the 2017 election, due on 4th May 2017, was also agreed.

The Parish Council then reprised the correspondence received & circulated in November 2016, including an invitation to a Launceston Network Panel meeting @ 7.00pm on 15th December 2016 which Cllr Branch agreed to attend; the CC Public Health Dept Winter Well Being booklet raising awareness of the risks facing members of the community from a cold winter and the help available. Several public consultation requests from Cornwall Council were discussed. They included the Minerals Safeguarding Development Plan; the retention of existing rules about dogs on beaches now covered in the new Public Spaces Protection Orders (previously Dog Control Orders); the 2017 Off Street Parking Orders decisions and the Sustainability and Transformation Plan response to the NHS 5-year Plan. The APC also noted the CC decision to start recycling plastic pots and trays etc after a successful try in March 2017.

The Chair thanked all for their contribution they had made throughout the year and then wished them, and the community at large, a very Merry Xmas and a happy, healthy and hope fulfilled New Year.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday, 4th January 2017 at 7.30pm in the Altarnun Village Hall.

Residents are welcome to attend and give input on anything discussed, as always.

M. A SAVAGE - *Clerk to Altarnun Parish Council*

8th December 2016