



Feock Parish Council News Update

May and June 2016

Welcome to our latest Parish Council News Update. Below you will find set out, just some of the ongoing issues and concerns which your Parish Council are currently taking forward on your behalf.

Don't forget members of the public are more than welcome to come along to Council meetings, these are public meetings and there is a 15 minute session at the start of the meeting for residents to make representations to the Council on issues they are concerned about. Agendas are displayed 3 days prior to the meetings on the noticeboards situated around the parish and also on our website, which list the items to be discussed.

There is also lots of information and news about the work the Council are doing on our website www.feockparishcouncil.co.uk as well as our Facebook page, search for Feock Parish Council. If you do not have online access, copies of minutes and agendas can be collected from the Parish Council office on request.

Devoran ward vacancies

We currently have two vacancies for Parish Councillors for the Devoran ward, as a result of the resignations of Leigh Kerrison and Ben Shankland.

By becoming a parish councillor you become someone your community will look to for help, guidance and support - a community leader with the power to influence decisions for the benefit of the people you serve. Seeing your community change for the better, as a result of decisions you have helped make, is something that can give you a sense of achievement and pride so why not consider joining?

If you would like more information please contact Debra the Parish Clerk who can give you more information about what the role entails, or speak to one of our Councillors who can give you an idea from a Councillors perspective!



Highways projects

Footpath on the old A39 in Devoran

The Council agreed at their March Parish Council meeting a number of projects for the coming year. One of these projects is the installation of a hard standing footpath on the wide grass verge which runs up the side of the old A39 (on the right hand side of the road as you drive up the road, between the junction coming into the village and the mini roundabout at the end of Devoran Lane). Work on this will commence shortly with a local company, but to help keep costs down voluntary labour to help move hardcore would be welcome, if you're interested in volunteering for an hour or so please contact Debra the Parish Clerk for more information. Volunteers have been promised some very nice cake by a local resident in exchange for helping!



Virtual footway along Greenbank Road, Devoran

The Parish Council agreed at their May Parish Council meeting to start the process of installing a virtual footway along the entire length of Greenbank Road, on the houses side. The first stage in this project is to instruct Cornwall Council's road safety team to carry out a safety review of this stretch of road and this has now been requested. The virtual footway will comprise of a white line running the length of the road, with several pedestrian symbols in it to denote that is a pedestrian walkway. Since the Parish Council's last update, Cornwall Council has made it policy not to install coloured tarmac unless this is for an abrasive surface and for safety reasons, this is due to the ongoing maintenance costs involved. If the scheme passes the safety review then Cornwall Council will provide a firm price to the Parish Council for the works and a formal consultation will then be carried out by Cornwall Council for residents and those affected to comment on the proposed changes.

Official opening of Community Library in Parish Council Office

Almost 50 residents of Devoran have celebrated the opening of the new Cornwall Council Community Library based in the Parish Council Offices in Market Street. The library was officially opened by local resident and Amazon bestselling author, Antony Bateman who said "I am delighted to be asked to open this local library to make accessing library books and services easier for local people and hope that more people would discover what joy could be found in reading books".

Feock Parish Councillor, Iain MacDonald said that "the provision of a local library for residents was something that the Parish Council had been working to put in place for the last year and it was great to see the project finally come to fruition with so many residents turning out for the official opening."

The event also held 'Draw your favourite book character' and 'Write a Poem' competitions for children which were won by Daniel, Lola, Arwen, Olive, Sophie, Joni and Mia, who each won a book kindly donated by another local author, Richard French-Constant.

The library is open from 9am to 5.30pm on Mondays and 9am to 3pm Tuesdays to Fridays and has a range of over 300 books of varying genres, to borrow a book you just need to bring in your Cornwall Library membership number. Books can also be ordered from the Cornwall Library Online catalogue for delivery to Devoran on a monthly basis, either via your account at home or using the touch screen tablet in the community library. The next visits by Chris, the Librarian to deliver ordered books and refresh the stock will be on **Thursday 12th May (confirmed) and Tuesday 17th June (tbc).**

Another idea for the library is to have a Book Club, if you are interested in joining or if you would like to volunteer to help out in the library please contact Debra, the Parish Clerk on 01872 863333, debra@feockparishcouncil.co.uk or sign up on the sheet in the library area.



Feock Neighbourhood Development Plan Update

The Neighbourhood Plan's first 6 week public consultation period has now ended and the Steering Group are busy working through the comments received from local residents and local and national consultees. Thank you to everyone who took the time to read the Plan and respond.

The final document will then be submitted to Cornwall Council for a further period of consultation and then onto the inspection stages which will lead to the Referendum which it is hoped will be held in September.

Cllr Bob Richards, Chairman

Feock Community Transport Scheme

As well as taking people to the Doctors, Dentist, Spar shop or Hairdressers, we are now trialling using our transport scheme to take people to places for social outings, perhaps if you just fancy getting out of the house and going somewhere for a cup of tea and some company! We can offer trips to places such as:-

- The Old Quay Inn, Devoran
- Treslissick Gardens
- Carnon Downs Garden Centre
- Devoran Community Library at the Parish Council Office
- Cornish Garden Nursery & Olive Grove Restaurant (Perranarworthal)
- Devoran & Carnon Downs Village Halls and St Feock Church Hall for classes
- The Flicka Foundation Horse & Donkey Sanctuary (Mabe)



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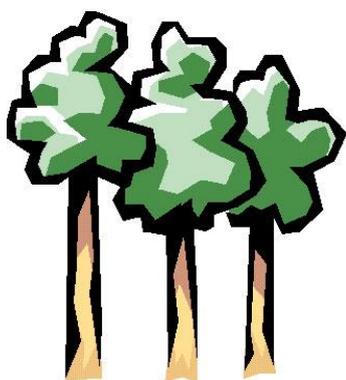
If you would like to book a trip to one of the above please phone the booking number 07904 547822, or if there is somewhere else you would like to visit please call us and we will do our best to arrange this.

The booking line is open between 9.30am and 3.00pm Monday to Friday. There is a recommended voluntary donation payable at the time of the journey which goes directly back into running the scheme. **Please give 48 hours notice of trips as this gives time for a volunteer to be found, however we appreciate that this is not always possible for medical appointments.**

Planning matters

The Parish Council are a statutory consultee on planning applications and continue to be consulted by Cornwall Council on a large number of planning applications each month. All current planning applications that the Council is being consulted on are listed on our website under the Planning section, with links to copies of the application on Cornwall Council's website. Alternatively, plans can be viewed in the Parish Council office on request.

Interested in planning developments in your area? Residents can also set up via Cornwall Council's planning website page to be alerted automatically when a planning application is submitted in a specific post code area/s by selecting 'save search' on the Planning page, more information about how to set this up can be obtained from the Parish Council office.



New Tree Preservation Order (TPO) in Pill Creek

Following the public meeting arranged by the Parish Council held in St Feock Church Hall in March regarding new developments in Pill Creek, Cornwall Council put into place a new Tree Preservation Order on Pill Creek with effect from 7th April 2016. This will remain in force for a period of up to 6 months from the date the Order was made, or until the order is permanently confirmed by Cornwall Council, whichever occurs first.

The deadline for making any comments to Cornwall Council is 19th May and comments should be made in writing to Joy Benney, Legal Services, Cornwall Council, County Hall, Tregye Road, Truro, TR1 3AY.

Details of any suspected breaches of this TPO should be notified to Niamh Ashworth in Cornwall Council Planning Enforcement on 01209 614425. A map showing the area the TPO covers is available from the Parish Council website and also displayed in the noticeboards.

"Your Choice" Grant Scheme Funding 2016/17

The Parish Council 'Your Choice' Grant Scheme is now open for voting and votes need to be cast by **Monday 23rd May 2016**. Votes can be cast online or on paper slips available to pick up from the Parish Council office.

The below groups have applied for £250 each from the Parish Council this year.

1. Up the Creek Promotions to help with a new drama production
2. Devoran Village Hall for outdoor furniture
3. St Feock PALS for cutlery and serving spoons
4. Carnon Downs Village Magazine to assist with production costs of the magazine
5. 1st Playing Place Scouts for expedition kit
6. Devoran Gig Club for a new cover for the gig
7. Devoran Church to help set up a children's Messy Church
8. Devoran Youth Group to buy new play equipment, air hockey table and new audio/video equipment
9. Devoran Quay Preservation Society to buy a generator and PA for fireworks display and regatta
10. Devoran Gardening Club for a projector and screen to enable speakers to give presentations
11. Feock Home & Garden Society for a heavy duty gazebo for the annual show



For more information see our website www.feockparishcouncil.co.uk and go to 'Community Info'.

Historic footpath project with the Lottery Sharing Heritage fund

The Parish Council are delighted to announce that they have been successful in securing funding from the Lottery Sharing Heritage fund to produce footpath round walk leaflets giving historic information about the Feock Parish. Another part of this project is to put small signs up at landmarks all over the parish with a QR code (like a bar code) which can be scanned with a mobile device and will then take you to the Parish Council's website and more information about that landmark.

We are looking for interesting photographs and anecdotes about living in the parish to include in the leaflets and website information, perhaps you have a relatives story that has been passed on to you that you would be happy for us to include? if so please contact Debra, Parish Clerk in the Parish Council Office or email debra@feockparishcouncil.co.uk

Next Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council meetings are being held as follows, all in the Parish Council Office in Devoran (unless stated otherwise).

Access & Amenities Committee	Thursday 19 th May @ 7pm
Planning Committee	Monday 6 th June @ 3.30pm
Full Parish Council	Tuesday 7 th June @ 7.15pm
Finance & General Purposes Committee	Thursday 16 th June (time tba)
Access & Amenities Committee	Thursday 23 rd June @ 7pm
Full Parish Council	Monday 4 th July @ 7.15pm
Access & Amenities Committee	Thursday 21 st July @ 7pm

Check the website and noticeboards for the dates and agendas, or call us at the Parish Office for details of items on the agenda and the next meeting date.

Parish Council Office & Community Library Opening Hours

The Parish Council office and Community Library normal opening hours are as follows, residents can call into the office during these times discuss any issues of concern with the Parish Council staff.

Unfortunately there may be times when the office is unmanned due to staff having to go out on site visits so if you would like to call in please phone first to check we are in the office to save yourself a wasted journey.

Mondays	9.00am – 5.30pm
Tuesdays to Fridays	9.00am – 3.00pm

You can contact the office on **01872 863333** to discuss any issues or arrange a time to come in, alternatively you can contact Debra Roberts (Parish Clerk) by email debra@feockparishcouncil.co.uk (every day) or Debbie Searle (Assistant Clerk) debbie@feockparishcouncil.co.uk (working days Monday, Tuesday & Thursday)



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