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Week St Mary Bonaventures VI

After the excesses of Christmas and the fact that it is “No Meat January”, Members welcomed Al from Trigon Farm who praised the values of vegetables. Al, his wife and son originally lived in London but moved to Northampton as they felt the need to connect more with the land and rented an allotment. Both parents and grandparents were farmers and, because they also wanted to keep animals, they moved to Trigon Farm near Holsworthy in 2020.

It was important to them to start from scratch and design a new farm using permaculture principles, no-dig and regenerative agriculture practices. They are passionate about growing chemical free food. They use the no-dig method to grow vegetables and flowers, where they do not disturb the soil but let the micro-organisms, fungi and worms do their work and, in turn, the whole soil structure improves over time. The aim is to create a stable, bio-diverse ecosystem. Although there are also chickens which eat the caterpillars and ducks which help with the slugs!

We were encouraged to move to appreciating the taste of fresh food and to enjoy eating seasonally. The farm is now virtually self-sufficient in vegetables and fruit including winter time. This is helped by the use of polytunnels, because of the uncertain weather, and the addition of food that has been preserved or frozen. Although Al's wife is a vegetarian, Al eats meat but only when he knows the source as he is concerned about animal welfare. As we know this means that the meat is generally more expensive – another reason for increasing the amount of vegetables in one's diet.

The farm offers no-dig and permaculture courses, flower workshops, educational days out for schools, Farm to Table dinners, sustainable weddings, private events, sustainability talks for company Green Day events and seasonal flowers and vegetables. They offer sustainable flowers for any occasion with the flower arrangements using only natural, compostable ingredients and innovation in flower displays. Individual events include Natural skincare workshops, Permaculture in your garden, Floral workshops (flower arrangements, wreaths and dried flowers), pizza masterclasses, Guided farm tours, Herbs and edible flowers in your kitchen, Tomato feast, Food



preservation courses and Pizza evenings. Apart from this, depending on the season, the farm also sells skincare salves, vegetable boxes, PYO flowers, posies, bouquets and wreaths. We were all delighted to discover that all this was on our doorstep and have plans to visit the farm. Al told us that the best time to visit was from summer to October. Details can be found at trigonfarm.co.uk



Celebrations this Month



Keira Ruby Johns

A Very Happy 14th Birthday on the 2nd

Arthur Spettigue

A Very Happy 4th Birthday on the 6th

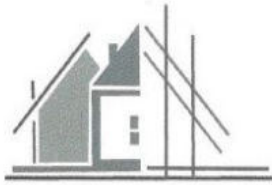
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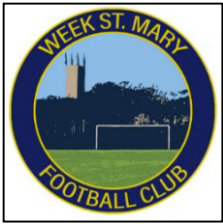


Adventure Church visit from Wild Planet
The families were fascinated by Kim Insull's animals during a recent visit to Adventure Church. We all had the chance to handle snakes, a millipede, a bearded dragon and a tiny Tenrec which looks just like a hedgehog but is actually more closely related to an elephant. We also were able to encourage a gecko to jump from one hand to another.



Adventure Church is open to all children from 4-5 years old and upwards and aims to help them to experience all sorts of fun, adventurous and crafty activities based around a weekly Bible or moral story and always ending with a shared meal.
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Football Club Mid-Season Update Part 2 – Jan/Feb 2025

The senior team continue to improve at pace with the squad containing a huge amount of talent that belies their young age. The squad has 36 players registered to play but typically operates with a regular group of around 20. The season has started well winning 7 out of our opening 12 league games to leave us currently sitting in 4th place in the league. We are also still in the Hutching's Cup, facing Bradworthy in the quarter final. The drainage issues on the lower pitch continue to frustrate and we've had to resort to hiring the artificial pitch at Launceston College to play some 'home' games away from the village at a significant cost to the club and with lost revenues from the tea shed and for the Old Orchard Inn.



We continue to investigate extending our lease to be able access potential grant opportunities with a view to resolving the issues as soon as possible. This season the team received a new kit, kindly sponsored by Bonny Shanks and Jon Steele at Horst Construction.



Good News

At the January Parish Council meeting, Councillors voted to reinstate the goals on the top pitch to restore 11-a-side football back to its original home of the last 25 years and further back again to the '70's.

The club worked hard with the PC to mitigate any health and

afety concerns associated with the play equipment.

This included consultation with the Cornwall FA, which resulted in the pitch meeting the required 1.8m run off distance on all sides. Further consultation with the Play Inspection Company highlighted that there was no recommended segregation distance, and that with appropriate signage and continuous monitoring, play could resume as before. The club would like to thank Councillors for their help in resolving the issue.

Walking Football

weekstmaryfc@gmail.com

The club are currently investigating whether there would be any interest in some relaxed, informal sessions of walking football. If this is something that you think you would like to try, please contact us to register your interest.

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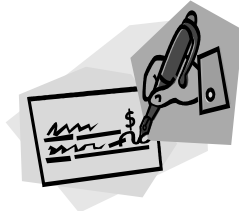
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Week St Mary Parish Council
Minutes – Thursday, January 2, 2025

Public question time (15 minutes allowed for this – on matters on the agenda only)

None.

To receive County Councillor Nicky Chopak's report on matters arising

Cllr Chopak reported that residents can now look at the budget proposals on Cornwall Council's website. She said there has been a suggestion of 100 redundancies at Cornwall Council. One area at risk is the handyman service, which is up for consultation. She said this is a vital service for the vulnerable and elderly in the area. She noted that there was an amber health warning in place, with A&E departments full. She urged people to check on their neighbours etc.

To note councillors present

Cllrs C Slade (chair); I Richardson (vice chair); S Peters; T Hamlyn; M Johns and S May. Also in attendance: Cllr N Chopak; S Cleave, clerk and one member of the public.

To receive apologies for absence with reasons

Cllr Stevens – work; Cllr Gubbin and Cllr Shipton – prior engagements.

To receive Declarations of Interest and approve Dispensations

None.

To approve the minutes of:

Councillors approved the minutes from the Ordinary meeting held on Tuesday, December 3, 2024

To receive clerk's report on matters arising

The clerk's report was noted.

8. Planning

PA24/09165 – Proposed conversion of agricultural barn to residential dwelling.

Living Stones Barn, Week St Mary.

Councillors proposed to make no comment.

8a. To discuss and make a consultee comment on ap-

Applications:

PA24/09167 – Construction of a dwelling without compliance of condition 2 of decision notice PA20/08994 dated 16.06.2021. Land west of The Old Orchard Inn, Week St Mary.

Councillors objected to the removal of the condition, referring back to the council's original comment and councillors stand by it for the reasons stated.

8b. Decisions

The following decisions were noted:

PA24/08195 – Extension to main dwelling house to provide ground floor accessible bedroom and bathroom. Higher Bakesdown Barn, Marhamchurch.

APPROVED PA24/07340 – Conversion of integral garage and extension to rear, and other alterations.

Church View, Week
St Mary

APPROVED

PA24/08039 – Works to trees in Conservation Area (TCA) to reduce the crown of T1 Oak tree by approximately 1m to maintain distance from property number 17. 14
Ashbury Grove, Week St Mary.

DECIDED NOT TO MAKE A TPO

PA24/07181 – Outline planning permission with all matters reserved for proposed residential development (up to five dwellings). Land east of The Coach House, Week Green, Week St Mary.

WITHDRAWN 25/10

8c. Planning - to note
None.

9. Portfolio Reports:















Playground

No report.

Highways, Footpaths & Greens

Cllr ~Hamlyn has reported a number of pot holes. The council has been out to look at the white lines at Greenamoor. The council has also been out and cornered off a section at the bottom of Stewarts Road.

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10. Correspondence including (all relevant emails forwarded):

The following correspondence was noted: North Cornwall CAP December meeting link; CAP action plan; Public switched telephone network and emergency planning slides; Cornwall Council Town and Parish Council newsletter.

11. Community Infrastructure Levy and Community Benefit Fund applications

None.

12. Agenda items

Football club lease

Cllr Slade noted that a working group had met to go over the lease. The council needs to know the names of the trustees and also a plan of the drainage of the bottom field. This will be placed back on the February agenda.

Football goals

Councillors discussed the matter along with Paddy Fay, chairman of Week St Mary Football Club. It was noted that the goal was removed following the annual play inspection in 2022. Mr Fay explained the large goals are needed for the Under 15s. He was asked why they cannot go on the bottom pitch, but said this was to protect the pitch, as he felt the drainage was better on the top part of the playing field. Cllr Hamlyn said the top pitch gets just as wet. There was concern that if the seniors played on the top field, where would the youngsters play. Cllr Chopak said the two parties need to reach a mutual understanding and raking up old minutes was not helpful. She suggested a possible trial arrangement with an understanding of the parish council's concerns. If an issue arises, the goals would have to come back out again. If an incident happened, pitch arrangement would be reviewed, she added. Mr Fay said the football club had no intention of bringing the senior squads on the top pitch but he was against a rule saying no senior football there. It was proposed to put the new goals back on the upper playing field. Due to the queries raised following a previous play inspection report, it was decided to draw up something in

writing, to be signed by the football club that when a match is on at the top field, a safety check will take place and someone with responsibility will stand on the end (closest to the play equipment). Signs will also be erected stating that extra precaution should be taken if there is a game of football on the top field. These arrangements will be regularly reviewed by the parish council.

Week St Mary Parish Council website and emails

The council received a quote for a gov.uk website and emails. Councillors were in agreeance, but the clerk will bring a couple more quotes to the February meeting.

Path project

Cllr Slade asked if councillors were in support of extending the path. There had been suggestions of tarmac over the path and extending, or extending the existing path and join the two together. Councillors proposed they were happy to proceed and look into costs and grants.

Speeding

Cllr Slade extended thanks to Cllrs Richardson and Hamlyn for producing a map for Highways. Cllr Richardson said there will be a radar (covert monitoring) for the road approaching from the north of the park. It is also hoped there will be three speed activated signs, and three posts will be installed, probably mid-May.

Update from SWW

A representative from South West Water will attend the February meeting.

Letter from Marazion Town Council

Councillors decided to leave this on the table.

2025 meeting dates

The meeting dates were confirmed and will be placed on the noticeboard.

Accounts

Balances December 18, 2024

Current account	£ 3,030.23
Reserve account	£21,766.12
Community Benefit Fund	£ 5,447.22

13a. To approve accounts for payment including:
 Suzanne Cochrane – Salary December (inc HMRC PAYE)
 As per contract
 Cornwall Pension Fund (December) As per contract
 Suzanne Cochrane (mileage inc travel to CiLCA training)
 £ 58.05
 Jamie Sachs – toilets £ 120.00
 Suzanne Cochrane – printer ink (pack of black and colour)
 £ 49.42
 Suzanne Cochrane – one large stamp and 8 second class £ 8.35
 EDF Energy – toilets £ 20.00
 13b To note income
 Reserve account interest (December) £ 25.76
 CB Fund interest (December) £ 6.32
 Councillors approved the payments and account
 14. Items for February 6, 2025 meeting at 7.30 pm
 Emergency plan; lower area of playing field.
 To note: Cllr Slade chaired for items 1; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 10; 11
 and 12. Cllr Richardson chaired the remaining items.



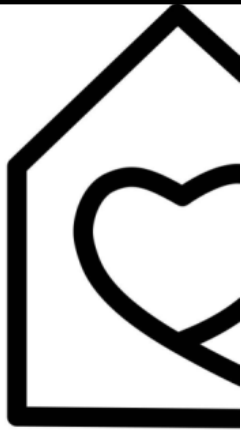
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“Also, keep in mind that you will be able to correct any mistakes you might make along the way.

“And the most important part of you is what's on the inside.

“And remember this, as well, upon every surface that you are used, you must leave your mark. No matter what else happens, you must continue to write.”

It seemed the pencil listened to him and promised he would remember these five things so that he could live his life with heart and purpose.

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Sun 9th 10.30 Morning Worship led by the
Worship Team.

Sun 16th 10.30 Shared informal worship led by
members.

Sun 23rd 10.30 Combined Circuit Service at
Tintagel, Preacher Rev Helen Cameron,
President of the Methodist Conference
18.30 Cafe Church



Services at St Mary's Church

February 2025

Sun 2nd 10.00 All age worship

Sun 9th 18.00 Evening Prayer

Sun 16th 11.15 Holy Communion

Sun 23rd 10.00 Morning Prayer

Every Wednesday @ 8:30am there will be a zoom service of Morning Prayer Full
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2nd - no 85 - Peter Johnstone

3rd - no 90 - Ethan Emery

New Members welcome!
Thank you for your support
Margaret Johns



MEET AND EAT

Monday 3rd February

Soup & Sweet from 12:00 noon and a

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Open to all ages newborn to 100+
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Meets at Week St Mary Church 2-4pm the second and fourth Monday of every month.

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Thought for the Month

The only person you should try to be better than is the
person you were yesterday

Week St Mary Playgroup



Welcomes you

10am - 12 every Tuesday
at Week St Mary Village Hall

Come along and have some fun !



Join coffeepots baby and toddler group on
Facebook or email coffeepotswsm@gmail.com



C A M E O

Come And Meet Each Other

Meeting is Friday 28th February
@2:00pm at the home of Sue & Rob Dickenson
Ranelagh

Everyone most welcome for tea, coffee, biscuit or cake and
an opportunity for a chat.

As ever, transport can easily be arranged but will
people please book with

Sue Dickenson 01288-341016

Look forward to seeing you !

Forthcoming Events

February 14th Valentines dinner (Church)

March 2nd Sunday Lunch Parish Hall (Page 2)

March 21 WSM FC Quiz Old Orchard Inn (Page 1)

May 10th Gift Day with Lego (Church)

June 21st Murder Mystery (Church)

July 19th Cream Teas (Wendy & Nick Couch,
at Glanville House)

August 9th Safari Supper (Church)

September 12th-19th Revel activites & preparations

September 20th Revel Saturday

October 25th The Countrymen (Church)

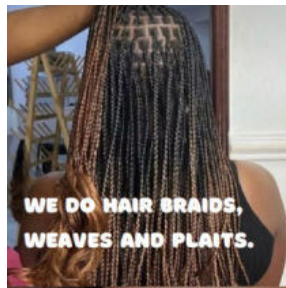
November 22nd Christmas Market (Church)

December 5th Mulled Wine (Venue tba)

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