# LANDULPH NEWSLETTER



Your guide to what's happening in the area Issue no. 69 June/July 2017

#### Parish Council feeling skittish!

There was an end of term atmosphere to the April PC meeting, with councillors exchanging jolly repartee and even chairman Gerry admitting he was feeling skittish! Could it really be all down to the start of the new local government year in May when the council will return in strength despite three resignations? What else could it be?

One long-running issue has been the recurrent flooding of the Penyoke playing field where an underground drain is probably blocked and broken, yet neither the Parish Council, County, SW Water nor Jeremy Corbyn will undertake its repair. Discussions continue. Prospective counsellor DJ Trump said 'Just fix the \*\*\*\* and send the bill to Mexico!'

Council was invited by Mr N Cradick to investigate whether the Yacht Club had contravened a condition of his sale of land to them by siting a shipping container on it. Chairman Gerry said the two parties should sort it out between them, while his councillors felt obliged to investigate. This provoked a long discussion in which definitions of building/temporary/ permanent/permissive development were dissected, and special factors re AONBs were raised. There were concerns too that CYC might have set a precedent, leading to a rash of unregulated containers appearing. The Planning Department will be asked to advise. Come to a meeting to find out more!

Note: Subsequent discussions between Neil and the CYC have resolved the dispute.

#### Parish Council is now up to strength.

May's parish council meeting started early to allow time for the Assembly in which ceremonial robes and symbols of power were once again ignored, but the ritual reflection on the past year by the outgoing Chairman was given full expression. Full expression was how one might describe guest speaker Jesse Foot's introduction of himself as the division's new County Councillor, with a background of small exposure to County-level politics but a lively enthusiasm to represent his constituents' interests. An intermission for drinks and nibbles raised the spirits and that happy mood sustained the rest of the meeting in which new councillors were installed, Martin Worth was elected Chair to succeed Gerry Stevenson whose term of office now ends with several unanimous rounds of thanks. In a long agenda, items of interest included a vote to release £1,700 from Solar Park funds to assist essential repairs to the Hall. There was a hint that the parish council might commission repairs to the broken drain under Penyoke playing field rather than mark time while County dithers. One councillor described a 'fountain' coming up from the ground after heavy rain. The fountain idea won't go away, but we need a better site suggestions please! Morton Macleod

#### Can you save a life? Read on...

As you may know, a defibrillator is to be installed on an outside wall of the Memorial Hall where it will be accessible at any time to anybody. Once you know how to use it, it instructs you on what to do in order to save a life. Sounds easy? No it's not. It is essential that if you are on site when someone has a heart attack, you know how to start resuscitation, call for help, instruct others on what to do and how to use a defibrillator. How could you cope alone with such an emergency when you are already flustered? Perhaps it's time to learn some skills. Helpful advice and detailed training will be available on Tuesday 4 July in the Memorial Hall from 7 to 9pm. All ages are welcome and the training is FREE. This opportunity to save a life of a loved one is too important to miss, so do PLEASE come to this vital training.

#### **Stop Press**

Councillor Philip Braund has now added the following procedure

#### **EMERGENCY PROCEDURE FOR DEFIBRILLATOR**

In the case of a suspected heart attack / cardiac arrest: DIAL 999

... If appropriate [advised by emergency services or on your own initiative if you are CPR trained]: apply CPR (immediately – don't wait for First Responders or ambulance) and ask someone to collect the defibrillator from Landulph Memorial Hall.

Usage Instructions, ENTER 1111 then press tick on the keypad to open box, remove defibrillator.

The unit is designed to be used by anyone – no training is required. When the unit is opened, voice instruction will guide the user through the process. It is automatic, and will check the heart rhythm to confirm that a shock is required.

#### **Landulph Under Fives Needs You!**

A dramatic drop in pre-school numbers and the inevitable departure of parents from the management committee has brought on a crisis within the Landulph Under Fives group. The Chair and Vice-chair have both moved on and without their leadership the group is threatened with closure. Eleven children will be moving up to primary school in September. The remaining numbers may not be viable. An urgent recruiting drive is underway, not only for children, but also for adults prepared to run the Group. These need not be parents; interested and concerned members of the wider community are also welcome. The group wants to get its management structure in place at its AGM on 7 June.

If you would be interested in joining this enthusiastic and energetic group, please contact Lisa Hughes on 07734 210365 or lisahughes846@amail.com before the AGM.

#### **Meet your new Parish Councillors**

#### **Marc Shirlaw**

My partner Jane and I, along with Tilly the dog, moved from



Worcestershire to Cargreen in December 2015. Although at the time we did not know anyone in the village, we received invitations to two parties within an hour of our arrival. Since then we have been overwhelmed by the welcome we have received from all quarters of the Parish. Having sold my business in the midlands and set up a property investment business here, I now find myself in the position whereby I would like to put something back into the local community. Most days you will find me out and about on the highways and by-ways of the Parish with Tilly.

#### **Martin Holmes**

I have lived and worked in Landulph all my life. I attended Landulph Primary School, moving on to study at Saltash Comprehensive (now known as Saltash.net.) and after leaving school I worked in the family Market Garden business. This has now transformed to the industrial units near the crossroads which I currently own with my mother.



My home is *Kerensa* at Landulph Cross where I live with my partner and two young children. Rachael, my partner is a member of the Landulph Under Fives Pre-school committee and runs the weekly Baby and Toddler group at Landulph Memorial hall where our daughter attends. Recently we had confirmation that our son has been accepted to Landulph Primary School and we look forward to the next adventure in his life as well as being involved in our local school community. I am proud of my connections with Landulph Parish and wish to protect the interests and countryside areas within our rural community.

#### **Martin Worth**

Being a Saltash boy, I have always been proud of my Cornish heritage and fully appreciate the beauty of the River Tamar and its surrounding countryside. A career in business took me to London for over 30 years but I wished to move back to my roots in this area and enjoy a more relaxed lifestyle, by the river in Cargreen. I have lived back here now for two years



with my wife Sally, a retired headteacher, and we are absolutely committed to this community, which has made us so welcome.

An experienced musician, (inspired by my years of playing in the Cornwall Youth Orchestra, dance bands & groups) I enjoy daily walks with our two Jack Russell terriers around the parish, sailing, and spending quality time with family and friends. I am an independent thinker, pragmatic and keen to preserve the balance and harmony of the different interests within our rural community.

#### Landulph School joins SMART

On 1 April six schools came together to form the South East Cornwall Multi Academy Trust. In addition to Landulph Primary the schools are Dobwalls Community Primary, Trewidland Primary, Liskeard School and Community College, Looe Community Academy, and Saltash.net Community School. The core group made up of headteachers and chairs of governors has already met to celebrate the collaborative journey they have all been on to form the new Multi Academy Trust. For further information about the Multi Academy Trust, please go to its website www.smart-trust.net.

The summer term is now well under way. By the time you read this, SATs will be a distant memory with just the results being awaited. June and July will be jam packed with events and visits, not least our annual sports day, the area sports event, Bikeability, the Year 6 leavers' day out and a two night residential to Bude with Adventure International for our older children. This year we are also offering a one night residential to our Year

2 and Year 3 children who will stay at the Eden Project and explore the biomes by night! We will be making good use of the school field. Our lunchtime assistants will be organising a range of activities from hula hooping and skipping competitions to orienteering. We also hope to make full use of our vegetable patches and welcome the community to come and help the children



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#### **Landulph Lively Ladies**

The group celebrated its first Birthday at the beginning of May. We have 31 paid-up members, others who come occasionally, and we welcome anyone who would like an informal, friendly evening and lots of chat. We do have a Treasurer and a Bank Account, so we are almost grown up, and we ask members and visitors to contribute their ideas, contacts and talents. We have a varied programme planned for the next few months including an evening picnic at Pentillie, skincare with the Greenhouse Spa, winter hanging baskets, jewellery making, cake decorating and mindfulness. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month, at 7.30 p.m. usually at LMH Annexe and everyone is welcome. *Jenny* 

#### A388 safe passageway comes closer

Many thanks to all our readers who answered the on-line survey about safety on the A388 between Callington and Saltash. The good news is that Cornwall Council and CORMAC have started a feasibility study for a safe passageway for cyclists and pedestrians. A report with recommended actions is expected by September 2017. St Mellion Parish Council is sponsoring the work and will arrange a public event to share findings from

the study once it is finished. Details will be published in the Newsletter nearer the time.

For further information, please contact the St Mellion Parish Clerk on 07539 480310 or clerk@stmellion-pc.gov.uk.

#### White Sails in the sunset

The Cargreen Yacht Club White Sail Challenge began its new season on Wednesday evening, 10 May and will continue fortnightly for the rest of the summer. A good fleet of nine very mixed designs took part and enjoyed a lively sail in moderate easterly winds. The event was won by Tim Clarke in Zelda with Andrew Butcher in Aelea second and Mick Flanagan in Toby Dee third.

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#### **Landulph Show blossoms**

Although by now the Spring Flower Show seems ages ago, it was a great success with good weather and many blooms. Some people had even managed to keep their daffodils going despite the mild weather. The flowering shrubs were magnificent.

The total effect was very colourful and fitting for a Spring celebration. Rose Cradick, although very quiet about her talents, won several of the



awards. The children's decorated bikes and headgear were great fun - particularly amusing was the flowerpot man with sedge for his hair. Thanks to our five excellent judges who so generously gave their time and expertise. Shirley and Mike Kitney had the almost impossible task of judging the junior section, bikes have never looked more decorative.

Thank you to all who took part and particularly to Debbie Allan who organised the teas and refreshments for the judges. Next year, the Show will be on Saturday, 7 April.

Jane Espig and Jen Hambly

### Solar Park funding - The story so far

Parishioners may recall that a consequence of obtaining planning consent for the temporary solar farm at North Wayton in 2013 was a contribution to the Parish funds of £30,000. Subsequently the life of the solar farm was extended by a further 10 years for an additional contribution of £10,000. So, the Parish Council had £40,000 to allocate to projects benefitting the community as a whole. Four years on, here is an update on the projects that have received funding, and how much remains in the pot. The Memorial Hall has benefited from improved lighting, acoustic ceiling and electrics costing a total of £8,777. The Landulph Under 5s have upgraded

their IT and play equipment and resurfaced their outdoor area at a cost of £6,884. After some debate, the Parish Council eventually decided that the Landulph School PTA was sufficiently detached from the school itself (which in itself did not qualify for funding) and granted them £5,215 for a new outdoor shelter and equipment at the school (including £500 for books). The equipment and infrastructure at the Penyoke playing fields was in desperate need of attention, and so far £6,775 (net of a contribution from the Waitrose Community Scheme of £263) has been spent on this, with a further estimated £4,500 due to be approved shortly. The defibrillator, soon to be installed at the Memorial Hall, attracted £1,844 of funding. Finally, at the Parish Council meeting on 15 May, approximately £1,700 was granted to the Memorial Hall for repairs to the flat roof and fire alarm. All of this adds up to a grand total of £35,695, leaving just over £4,300 to be allocated to future projects. Periodically the Parish Council invites applications for funding, how would you spend it? Tim Clarke

#### **Broadband Subsidy Scheme for sub-2Mbps users**

Are you unable to receive a reliable broadband connection of at least 2Mbps? If so, you may be eligible for a subsidy towards the installation of either a satellite or mobile broadband connection through the Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme. One of our parishioners has first-hand experience of the scheme. With a speed of about 2 Mbps on a good day, and often nil when it rained, Valerie Taplin of Kingsmill Farm applied through the scheme, and was eligible for the subsidy. This took the form of a grant of £350 towards the cost of installing a new router, plus external antenna to pick up a Broadband signal via the 4G mobile network using South West Mobile Broadband Ltd (SWMB). This is the most local of the approved contractors listed under the scheme. Valerie says, 'Speeds have improved considerably and vary between 10 and 35Mbps for downloads and 6 to 25Mbps for uploads. It's not fantastic, but considerably faster than before. Ongoing costs depend on the data package and involve a monthly direct debit with EE. who also offer a package using an internal antenna with no installation costs, but the speed is lower than for the eternal antenna. Valerie says the scheme is well worth applying for. 'We can't get Superfast here, but this scheme seems the next best thing, and is hugely better than what we endured before. SWMB were extremely helpful and guided us through the process.'

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#### Pulling the wool over Landulph

The active and successful Landulph fundraising committee for Cancer Research is organising a (literally) unmissable event on Sunday 23 July. The 'Great and Glorious Yarn Bomb' will be covering the village and surroundings in knitted and crocheted artifacts. The items will form a trail to be followed ending up at the Memorial Hall where there will be a range of family activities including: plant, book and bric-a-brac stalls, a display by the Landulph Lively Ladies, a pop-up tea shop and a raffle. The event is rasing funds for the Cancer Research Kids and Teens Campaign (see Morton Macleod's article overpage). The 'Bomb' starts at 2.00pm and continues to 5.00pm. For more information contact Gaye Braund at gayebraund@live.co.uk or call 01752 847774.

#### Garden visit has spare places

The Gardening Club has a coach visit to Hestercombe Gardens near Taunton on Wednesday, 12 July and needs extra people to help fill the coach. The cost for transport and entry to the Gardens is £21 and we may take a guided tour in addition if people want it. Please contact me if you are interested on 01752 846504 or jen@wayton.eclipse.co.uk. *Jen Hambly* 



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#### The Rectory Room - memories and worries

(Richard Hosking remembers the Rectory Room in his youth, before the village expanded into Church Lane, Coombe Lane and Drive and Hodders Way, and before the Memorial Hall became the social hub) My first clear memory of the Rectory Room was from about age seven and going to Sunday School. Our teachers were Peter Braund and Grace Govett (daughter of Harold Clark), who lived next door to the Jermains' house, now called Tamarisk. The other children came from Braund. Evans, Cloake, Hosking, Best and Du Plessis families, at that time the main permanent Cornish folk. It was about that time that the Rectory at Landulph was sold as a private dwelling. When I was old enough to go dancing in the Rectory Room, I'd help my father sprinkle a special powder on the floor so that dancers' feet could glide smoothly. All sorts of events and entertainment took place, including parties, coffee mornings, jumble sales, seasonal produce markets, fancy dress competitions and a parish carnival - big sister Julie was crowned Carnival Queen one year. I can still laugh when I remember the silhouette operation of Lou Barrett having sausages and a bit of chain removed from his belly, and the performing flea "escaping" from the stage and during the search for it among the audience the wrong flea being found on the head of Bill Evan's father. All in good fun. In my teens we had a Youth Club run by Joyce and Bernard Hosking, and a Church Choir run by Dorothy Willcocks and her sister Marjorie Blatchford. So as you can see the Rectory Room was kept busy supporting the social life of our smaller community and I hope it carries on doing so. Its fabric needs a lot of work done to keep it viable and the way ahead is not clear. I would love to hear from anyone who wants to help revive it.

R Hosking, Tamar View, Cargreen. Tel 07850 983771

#### **Rectory Room repair to cost thousands**

Overall costs for putting the Rectory Room into good order are likely to run into several tens of thousands of pounds. The current proposals are to seek grants from more than one source. However, charitable bodies normally expect to see match funding and at present there is no money available following essential fire protection and architect's and builder's fees. Therefore a suggestion is that a fund is set up to which parishioners can others can make donations. No work can start until sufficient money has been promised

Glenn Honey Rectory Room Refurbishment Advisor

#### Is Cancer Research UK achieving anything?

This parish is admirably active in raising funds for cancer research and this year is focussing on childhood cancer awareness.

Let's find out if all this money is making a difference. First of all it is worth noting that childhood cancers are comparatively rare compared to adult cancers (less than 2,000 cases annually in the UK compared to about 357,000 new adult cases), and also that they tend to affect different tissues than adult cancers. Under the age of 15, cancers of lung, skin, breast, ovary, prostate and bowel are vanishingly rare, while the commonest childhood cancers are acute leukaemia and tumours of the central nervous system. Next come the eyes, nervous tissue, kidney, muscle and a few others. Children should have no risk of getting cancers due to smoking, alcohol abuse, poor diet and long-term exposure to toxins. So why do they get cancers at all? More research is defining genetic links to such early onset cancers, and therapy too is reducing the toll of early deaths. For example, in the early 1960s only 30% of childhood sufferers were treated successfully while nowadays 80% survive for 5 years and most remain cured. The amount of research being undertaken on both adult and childhood cancers is staggering, both in scope and outcome. So however daft it may seem to have skeins of wool unravelling around the parish in the latest fund-raising effort, be proud to take part in this initiative and make a difference.

Morton Macleod



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# "Misalliance" ... being deprived of that freedom for which we must fight, to veer to the left or to veer to the right!

Said the right-handed honeysuckle to the left-handed bindweed, "Oh, let us get married, if our parents don't mind, we'd Be loving and inseparable, inextricably entwined, we'd Live happily ever after" said the honeysuckle to the bindweed.

But.....

Together, they found them, the very next day,
They had pulled up their roots and just shrivelled away.
Deprived of that freedom for which we must fight,
To veer to the left or to veer to the right!

Flanders & Swann

Just part of one of the pieces to be sung by the South West Chamber Choir in Landulph Church on Saturday 10th June at 7.30pm. Tickets £8 at the door. Wine available in the interval. Wide-ranging programme of songs and readings offering something for everyone! Proceeds towards the cost of replacing the lead on the church tower roof.

#### **Landulph Neighbourhood Plan**

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has been busy developing the Plan policies after consulting with Cornwall Council and residents. While there are no major changes to the published draft, the wording is being altered in places to meet the requirements of national policies and feedback comments. If anyone wants to see the latest draft, please contact Jenny Turnage by e-mail at secretary@landulphplan.org.uk. The next step will be to send the draft to Cornwall Council who will then meet with the group informally to advise on any further alterations necessary. After possible minor alterations following this, the group must complete a statutory Pre-Submission Consultation during which time the plan will be available for a period of six weeks for residents to make further comments. Various other bodies must also be consulted at this time for example adjoining Parish Councils, The Environment Agency, the Water Authority, the Marine Management Organisation etc. After this and any more alterations deemed appropriate, the final plan will be sent to the examiners. This does seem to be a rather long-winded process so the group hopes you will continue to watch the evolution of the plan and comment when pertinent. Hopefully the reward will be a plan for the development of Landulph that is part of the statutory planning system. Jenny Turnage



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#### **False News**

Dear Sir or Madame, I'm really not happy that my favourite magazine is telling lies and how could you stoop so low I don't know anyway you were totally wrong about the power lines being painted fluorescent because I sent my boy Jack to find out and he went out at midnight with a big torch and was flashing it up on the lines and nothing happened so he climbed up to the nice viewing platform scaffold thing and got so close to the lines that there was a big flash and now he has no hair to speak of but the electric shock must have set his brain right because now he's as bright as a button and a joy to us all so even though you were wrong everything turned out OK so just be more careful next time.

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So, start thinking about your act: warm up your voice, dust off your dancing shoes, practise your performance... we want lots of variety. Britain's Got Talent has nothing on Landulph's Village Night. More details to follow in the next edition of the newsletter.

#### Stop press

James Jermain

Reporting from Penyoke, we have news of Cargreen's latest resident, Donald previously known as Quackers, who has now taken up residence on a private estate in Penyoke, with a fresh water pond and a decked landing strip. His press secretary, Roger Wratten with his wife Hilary, who share the estate with Donald, have reported that he has fully integrated with local ducks and moor hens and was now looking to find a girlfriend. Watch this space for future developments. His press secretary also stated that any resemblance between Donald and the new President of the USA. is purely coincidental.

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**Pentillie Ladies Luncheon** Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June - £24.50pp 2 Course Lunch & Talk from Rachel Hobbs of Serendipity at Gooseford

Michael Morpurgo-War Horse Remembered Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July Tickets available through eventbrite.com Adults from £25 / Children £15

Comedy of Errors Outdoor Theatre Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July Tickets available through eventbrite.com or call 01579 350044

**Pengrillie BBQ Festival** Sunday  $6^{th}$  August 11am - 5pm Family friendly foodie festival! Advance Tickets £6/ Gate Entry £7.50

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