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HAMLETS

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 15th March 2023; in the Community Centre at 7:30pm. Present were: Cllrs. J Hobbs (Chair), J Payne, N Steer, K Boundy, C Myers K Jones, R Savage and S Rosser (Clerk). Apologies were received and accepted from: Cllrs. J Phipps (Vice-Chair), G Worden, & S Tilbey

Parish matters & maintenance discussed such as: The installation of the Arbour at Crosstown – Cllr Savage and his Sons were thanked for installing the Arbour. The RoSPA report is due to take place on the play equipment in April. King Charles III Coronation details were discussed along with ideas of suitable memorabilia. A working party has been formed with the Community Centre Committee – this is set to be a wonderful weekend of events. A community emergency plan is being created - Cllrs. Phipps & Steer are hoping to present a draft version at the April meeting.

There is currently no news on the funding side of the ‘The Health & Wellbeing Project’. An equality & diversity policy; along with a sustainable development policy were both implemented - as part of the funding bid.

A response was drafted for the Cornwall Council consultation on off street parking. The proposals were not supported.

Finances were agreed for payment and a secondary check of the previous month was carried out with the arrival of a duplicate bank statement.

There were two planning applications to provide consultee responses on. PA23/01289 - Proposed hay/straw, machinery, and occasional lambing building - Shears Farm Woodford Bude Cornwall EX23 9JD. MPC Comment: No objections. PA23/01324 - Proposed concrete slurry tower - Stursdon Farm Coombe Valley Bude Cornwall EX23 9HU - MPC Comment: No objection providing Environment Agency are satisfied

Please see the draft minutes in full on the website for further details of the meeting.

The next regular Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th April 2023. All are welcome to the meetings.

Sheridan Rosser (Mrs), Clerk to the Parish Council.



FEBRUARY RAINFALL

Duckpool Cottage – Jen Ash recorded:	21.3 mm or 0.84 inches
Tor View, Shop – Ken Boundy recorded:	17.5 mm or 0.69 inches
Lopthorne – David Manfield recorded:	36 mm or 1.41 inches
Killarney – John Jukes recorded:	43.5 mm or 1.71 inches
Cornahey – Kevin Heywood recorded:	36 mm or 1.41 inches

CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL 2023

Morwenstow Parish Church

Sunday 2 nd	9.30am	Palm Sunday - Holy Communion
Friday 7 th	9.30am	Good Friday – Stations of the Cross
Sunday 9 th	9.30am	Easter Sunday – Holy Communion
Sunday 16 th	9.30am	Morning Worship
Sunday 23 rd	3.00pm	Evensong
Sunday 30 th	10.00am	Benefice Service at Kilkhampton Church

Woodford Methodist Chapel

Sunday 2 nd	11.00am	Rev. Simon Leigh
Sunday 9 th	9.45am	Rev. Simon Leigh
Sunday 16 th	11.00am	Barry Bryne
Sunday 23 rd	11.00am	Joy Wilson
Sunday 30 th	11.00am	LA

Coffee Morning – Wednesday 5th April, 10.00am – 12.00pm. All welcome.

Woodford Chapel would like to thank everyone who has helped to cut the grass. If you can help to cut the grass this year, please contact Terry Jenkins on 01288 331 520

Morwenstow Methodist Chapel – Shop

Sunday 2 nd	11.00am	Service with Pastor A Sloman
Sunday 9 th	11.00am	Service led by Rev R. Ward-Smith
Sunday 16 th	11.00am	Service led by Merrytones
Sunday 23 rd	11.00am	Communion with Rev S Leigh
Sunday 30 th	11.00am	Service led by Mr B Bryne

MORWENSTOW METHODIST CHURCH

'LUNCH CLUB'

Please join us for roast lamb, or vegetable bake,
and a selection of delicious puddings, on

Wednesday 19th April

at Shop Chapel

From 12.15 to 1.30 pm

Please book (£7) by contacting

Valerie on (01288) 331263 or Edith on (01288) 331397

Proceeds shared between Shop Chapel and Shelterbox

ALL ARE MOST WELCOME



WOODFORD CHAPEL INVITE YOU TO SHARE
OUR

Easter Services

Palm Sunday - 2nd April
11am Sacrament

Maunday Thursday - 6th April
4pm Rev Simon

Good Friday Concert - 7th April
6.30pm Music from the Merrytones & Lizzie Hobbs
Refreshments to follow

Easter Sunday - 9th April
9.45am Rev Simon



Have you noticed the increasing amount of litter in our Parish?

The Parish Council are aware of this and are unable to employ a litter picker currently for various reasons. However, Councillor Jaik Payne has a variety of litter picking equipment that he is happy to loan temporarily. If anyone who would like to voluntarily pick litter in their nearby areas and doesn't have the resources to do this – please get in contact.

Jaik can be contacted in the following ways:

Mobile : 07583 257263

Email : jaikmpc@gmail.com

The below text is taken from 'KeepBritainTidy.org'

More than two million pieces of litter are dropped in the UK every day. The cost to the taxpayers for street cleaning is over £1 billion a year.

Litter is anything from a crisp packet or cigarette butt to a bag of rubbish. All litter is unsightly and makes our local areas look untidy and uncared for. Common litter items include fast-food packaging, sweet wrappers, drinks cans, bottles and cigarette butts.

Litter does not clean itself away. It can take years to degrade, causing harm to wildlife and habitats. Food people drop – whether it is half-eaten burgers, chips or apple cores - can attract pigeons and vermin such as rats.

Research shows litter contributes to further crime and that people feel less safe in areas that are littered.

Please do not litter. Use a bin for your rubbish and if you cannot find a bin, take your litter home with you.

Dropping litter is illegal. People who drop litter can be fined or face prosecution in court. Authorised officers have the power to issue a fixed penalty charge of up to £150 for a litter offence, as an alternative to prosecution. If the offender is prosecuted and convicted in court, the fine could rise to £2,500.

The Morwenstow Society

“To preserve the past and present for the future”

Our next meeting is our **AGM** which will be held on

Friday 14th April at 7.30 pm in the Community Centre.

Members and visitors alike are welcome to bring along any interesting items relating to Morwenstow in the more recent past which we can archive for the future.

We will also have the opportunity to discuss a possible display for the upcoming Coronation of King Charles III.

For more information, please contact:

Judith Ingram (Secretary) on 01288 331363.

Woodford Community Garden

With the help of Woodford Chapel in January 2022 a group of locals set up WCG. The aim is to bring together the community through gardening, growing good fresh local produce that can be accessed by everyone - a food larder. Other aims are to improve physical and mental wellbeing and promote wildlife. One of the group, Neill Darling, has created a wonderful plan including a cornish knotted walkway, vegetable plot of raised bed, herb garden and a sitting area for contemplation,

Much has been achieved in the past year with the help of a generous grant from East Langford Solar Farm: the raised wooden beds have been built, a composting area created and the paths dug. In the next few weeks a recycled shed and new greenhouse will be arriving with disability accessible pathways being completed. As the garden was established in 2022 the veg beds were laid out in union jack pattern as a nod to the platinum jubilee and the jubilee oak tree was planted as a centrepiece to the quiet area.

We look forward to welcoming anyone interested in joining the group - we have recently started having a regular session on Saturday mornings and Tuesday afternoon/early evenings to work on the garden - why not drop in to say hello (just behind Woodford Chapel). Monday 8th May has been designated a 'Big Help Out Day' all over the country, as a way of marking the Coronation, and this will be a day when we are encouraging people to come along and volunteer.



St. Mark's C of E Academy

Silver Stories - a link with the community

Here at St. Mark's C. of E. Academy, we are hoping to introduce a new project involving reading to members of our local community and we need your help to 'get going'.

To begin with, we need a list of older community members who would be interested in receiving a regular phone call from a young person from our school (they would be chaperoned by a member of staff). After a bit of an initial chat the young person would then share a story, a poem or even a piece of their own writing. The young person would be aged between 9 and 11 years old. We see this as a lovely opportunity for them to read to an adult and for an adult to enjoy being read to. We would hope that the experience would become one of the highlights of the week for both the reader and the listener.

If you would like to know more about becoming a listener or know someone who might, please contact the school either by telephoning 01288 331395 or by e-mail to stmarks@lapsw.org



FAMILY NEWS

This month we regret to report the passing of:

Sydney 'John' Burrow

We express our sympathy to Ruth and family.

"He will be remembered with affection and thanksgiving"

[Morwenstow Community Centre News](https://morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk/)

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Take a look at our website to see what groups are running at the Community Centre or to book your own event Tel Hilary Rogers 01288 331516

Morwenstow Calendar Competition 2023 for the 2024 calendar



These beautiful daffodils are out now in Gooseham welcoming the coming Spring.

Don't forget to look through your photos of the beautiful countryside in Morwenstow and send them to the email address below by

Saturday 15th April 2023. Maximum of 3 photos per person

calendars@morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk

King Charles III Coronation 'Big Lunch'



We are organising a 'Big Lunch' bring & share event to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III on Sunday 7th May 2023

We really enjoyed sharing the Queens Platinum Jubilee celebration with everyone in 2022 and hope you will join us again this year.

See our poster for further information.

Open Gardens Event on Sunday June 11th 2023



We have five beautiful gardens for you to visit followed by a return to the Morwenstow Community Centre for refreshments/cream tea.

Pop the date in your calendar! More details will follow.

Morwenstow Ceilidh/Dance Saturday 18th November 2023

Pop the date in your calendar. This ceilidh/dance was sold out last year and was enjoyed by all who came and we had a lot of fun!



So that's all our news for this month as the Morwenstow Community Centre Committee continue to work to make the centre a warm & welcoming place for whatever event you are planning.



**You are invited to join us on
SUNDAY 7th May 2023
to celebrate**

**The Coronation of
King Charles III**

**Doors Open 1.00 - Bring & Share Lunch 1.30
Drinks Provided - Teas & Coffees - Squash
Optional Red/Blue & White Themed Fancy Dress
Bude Metric Brass - Lizzie Hobbs
Games for all - Come join us at the
Morwenstow Community Centre!!!!**

Nature Notes

It's hard to believe that last summer's hosepipe ban is still in force. Although the smaller South West Water reservoirs have replenished to an acceptable level the largest one in Cornwall, Colliford needs a lot more rainfall to bring the level up. It begs the question, did someone forget to replace the bung!, or was there a mistake in the calculation for the size of the reservoir in relation to the rainfall over the catchment area?

What a wonderful display of snowdrops & daffodils over the last few weeks and now along the roadside verges the inconspicuous green flowers of dog mercury & alexanders, the later bought here by the Romans as a salad vegetable. I feel that this now common roadside plant at this time of year is the result of our milder winters because in my schooldays I do not remember seeing this plant.

On the ridges & cliffs the tiny white flowers of the blackthorn are emerging, always before the leaves & some years cover the bushes in a mass of white. It is often called a blackthorn winter and with a colder temperature can continue into May.

As a small boy I remember being told off by my mother for picking some sprigs of blackthorn covered in tiny white flowers and bringing them indoors, an omen of bad luck I was told. Somehow the name blackthorn and the fact that it's painful prickles are best avoided suggests a bush of evil intent unless of course you enjoy a tippie of sloe gin.

Ken Boundy

EDITORIAL

Email your articles to – jshippsmpc@hotmail.com

The latest date for copy is the 25th of the month preceding publication

The Editor is not responsible for the views and comments of contributors
and reserves the right to edit any article if necessary

If you wish to contact the Chairman of the Parish Council on any matter, please telephone Jonathan Hobbs on
(01288) 331236

USEFUL DATES

Rubbish & Recycling collections –
Recycling – Monday 10th & 24th April

Parish Council – 3rd Wednesday (except Aug & Dec)
(1st Wednesday – additional planning meeting if required)

Post Office – Mondays 12.30 – 3.30pm, Thursdays 1.00 – 3.00pm

Walking Football for the over 50's
Contact Dave Rivett on 01288 331 814

Calendar of Events		
Date	Event	Organisation
Sunday 7 th May	Coronation Event	Community Centre
Saturday 20 th May	Preloved Sale	W.I.
Sunday 11 th June	Open Gardens	Community Centre
Saturday 18 th November	Morwenstow Ceilidh	Community Centre
Tuesday 5 th December	Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch	Community Centre