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HAMLETS

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

Our County Councillor Shorne Tilbey reported that the budget setting had taken place for the Devon & Cornwall Crime Panel, this will see a £15 per year increase per band D household. Dialogue is ongoing with Cllr. Oliver Monk (Housing Cabinet Member) about the current housing crisis – this links with an initiative in its early stages called Kressen Kernow. The Full Council meeting takes place in Truro the following week to discuss future budgets. Ambulance response times are improving and notification that the next Bude Area Community Network Meeting will take place on Monday 6th March at the Parkhouse Centre – anyone can attend.

Parish matters & maintenance discussed such as: Progression of the yearly Local Maintenance Partnership and South West Coast Path offers, quotations for forthcoming public toilets maintenance including Duckpool. King Charles III Coronation details; Councillor volunteers for a working party came forward to work with the Community Centre Committee. National plans are for a 'Big Lunch' on Sunday 7th May 2023, this will be in a picnic style fashion. A community emergency plan is being created - Cllrs. Phipps & Steer are leading this. A dedicated social media account on Facebook will be created for the Parish Council.

The 'Health & Wellbeing Project' funding bids have all been submitted. Outcomes are awaited on this project. One requirement of one funding application is the implementation of an equality & diversity policy; along with a sustainable development policy. Seven other policies were reviewed at the meeting.

Finances were agreed for payment and the budget was reviewed.

There were no matters of planning to provide consultee responses on. No planning applications had been determined since the previous meeting either.

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 15th March 2023. All are welcome to the meetings.

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



JANUARY RAINFALL

Duckpool Cottage – Jen Ash recorded: Jan 112 mm or 4.41 inches

Tor View, Shop – Ken Boundy recorded: Jan 100 mm or 3.94 inches

Lopthorne – David Manfield recorded: Jan 166 mm or 6.53 inches

Killarney – John Jukes recorded: Jan 134 mm or 5.27 inches

CHURCH SERVICES FOR MARCH 2023

Morwenstow Parish Church

February

Sunday 5 th	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 12 th	9.30am	Morning Worship
Sunday 19th	9.30am	Mothering Sunday Holy Communion
Sunday 26 th	3.00pm	Evensong

Woodford Methodist Chapel

February

Sunday 5 th	11.00am	Cath Paddon Café Church
Sunday 12 th	11.00am	Paul Wreyford
Sunday 19th	11.00am	Clive Smale Mothering Sunday
Sunday 26th	11.00am	LA

Coffee Morning – Wednesday 1st March, 10.00am – 12.00pm. All welcome.

Morwenstow Methodist Chapel – Shop

February

Sunday 5 th	11.00am	Led by	Mr. B Bryne
Sunday 12 th	11.00am	Led by	Rev R. Ward-Smith
Sunday 19 th	11.00am	Led by	Merrytones
Sunday 26 th	11.00am	Led by	Mr M. Hogarth

MORWENSTOW METHODIST CHURCH

'LUNCH CLUB'

Please join us for pork in cider sauce, or vegetarian stuffed mushrooms, and a selection of delicious puddings, on

Wednesday 15th March

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



Morwenstow Women's Institute Meeting

Wednesday 7th March 2023

A very busy and interesting meeting after the Christmas and New Year break. Terry Faull fascinated us with his talk about two eighteenth century Cornish women from very different backgrounds who both broke the conventions of the time to live amazing lives. Mary Delaney, who was descended from the Grenvilles of Stowe Barton and whose father was a local member of parliament, married a much older man because he agreed to pay her father's debts. After he died, she went back to live with her aunt in London because he left his money to a niece. The aunt was friendly with King George and Queen Caroline so Mary moved in very exalted circles. She eventually married again very happily. She kept her close relationship with the royal family, but is best known for the amazing paper flower collages she created, many of which are now in the British museum.

At the other end of the social scale was Mary Bryant, who was transported to Australia for theft. She married William Bryant who she met on the ship and by whom she had two children. He was a fisherman and they are credited with saving the colony from starvation with their catches. They stole some of the catch and were flogged, so in 1791 they decided to steal a cutter and escape with several others. Despite having no map or compass they eventually made it to East Timor, a Dutch colony, but were arrested when the British fleet arrived and sent back to England. Sadly, both children and her husband died on the journey. She was tried and sentenced to death, but was pardoned and went back to Fowey where she was reunited with her sister. Thanks to Terry their histories have not been forgotten.

After refreshments we spent some time discussing the autumn show and next year's programme then President Sandra Rowland announced the results of the competitions. Judith Ingram won the Flower of the Month competition and Roberta Jones brought the most interesting post card. The Annual Meeting is on Wednesday 8th March at 2. 30 pm and the following month Ken Heard will give a demonstration on planting an arid garden in a pot.

Lesley Palfreyman

Press Secretary

Morwenstow Community Centre News

Open Gardens Sunday 11th June 2023

There will be 5 local gardens to visit with a 'cream tea' to enjoy on your return to the Morwenstow Community Centre. We are sure that the gardeners are already working hard on their gardens for you to enjoy. More details available nearer the day.



King Charles III Coronation Celebration Sunday 7th May 2023



The Morwenstow Community Centre Committee are organising an event so the community can celebrate together on the afternoon of Sunday 7th May 2023. Further details will be available nearer the date so watch this space!!!

Ceilidh/Folk Dance - Saturday 18th November 2023

After this very successful dance in 2022 with the band Kervannen, we have decided to hold this event again. Save the date in your calendar! More details on how to book later in the year.



Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch Tuesday 5th December 2023 We really enjoyed holding this event in 2022 so invitations will be sent out to eligible senior citizens later in the year.

A Big Breakfast Thank You

Finally A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Morwenstow Community Centre Big Breakfast in any way on 18th February. We served around 119 breakfasts and it was a lovely social occasion. All funds raised help us to continue to pay the ongoing bills, the general upkeep and refurbishment of the centre.

Take a look at our website for all the clubs & societies that use the https://morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk
The calendar will show you all the bookings.
https://morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk/calendar/
Telephone our Bookings Manager Hilary Rogers - 01288 331516 to enquire about booking the centre for your event.

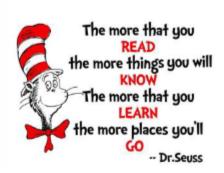
News from St. Mark's C of E Academy

It has been a very exciting time for St. Mark's starting out on our new journey as part of a wider family of schools within the Learning Academy Partnership (LAPSW). We have been working in close partnership with two other local schools (Jacobstow and Marhamchurch) forming the LAPSW Cornwall Hub. Our teachers have benefited from shared professional development and have been forging partnerships to support with planning, resourcing and sharing of good practice. We hope in the near future, the children will also be able to come together for shared events or visits.

From the outside you may have noticed the new fencing and signage. Inside, amongst other exciting developments and improvements, the school library has had a facelift, it has been freshly painted and thanks to a kind donation from the PTA colourful rugs and cushions have been purchased making it a very inviting part of our school. A solid foundation in reading is crucial to a child's success as they progress through primary school and promoting reading is a key priority. Teachers are now working on developing reading areas within their classrooms and promoting reading for pleasure.







Bude Choral Society

Bude Choral Society are performing Haydn's The Creation on 18th March at Bude Methodist Church at 7.00p.m. This performance was originally due to be performed in March 2020 but due to the lockdown, the performance had to be cancelled However, it is such a wonderful and uplifting piece of music, we wanted to perform the work to celebrate the arrival of Spring this year. Tickets are available for £12.00 online through Bude Choral Society website, or through the Tourist Information Office in Bude or £15.00 on the door on the evening of the performance. Soloists are Elinor Chapman, Gordon Pike and Julian Rippon. We are being accompanied by an ensemble of 12 players led by the Divertimento String Quartet. This will include double bass, flute, clarinet, oboe, bassoon and timpani. David Robinson will also accompany the performance on the keyboard for the recitatives.

The Morwenstow Society

"To preserve the past and present for the future"

Our last meeting, held on Friday 3 February, our second Workshop was a great success and very well supported. With noses to the grindstone, lots of logging, identifying and learning took place.



Our next meeting is on Friday 3 March 2023 at 7.30 p.m.

Local resident, Rob Wassell will talk about

THE LIGHTHOUSES OF BEACHY HEAD IN EAST SUSSEX

Keep an eye on Notice Boards, Hamlets, the Community Centre website (www.morwenstowcommunitycentre.co.uk) and The Morwenstow Face Book page or contact the Secretary on 01288 331363 or email morsoc2@amail.com if you require more information.

MORWENSTOW FOOTBALL CLUB

is holding a

RACE NIGHT

on

Saturday 18th March 2023

at

Morwenstow Community Centre

Starting at 7:30pm

Bar Available

Come and Have Some Fun!

Bring your family and friends

NATURE NOTES

Some people say that after the shortest day 21st December, it seems to take a long time before the days are noticeably longer, of course this depends on the weather conditions, but by mid-January and when the sun does appear, the snowdrops push up their tiny leaves followed by pure white flowers which does tell us that spring is on the way.

On the subject of the weather, since the amateur parish monitors have been recording the rainfall, it proves that the altitude & distance from the coast does influence the rainfall amount for different sites within our parish. This means it is impossible to quote an Annual Rainfall Figure for the parish, but my recordings since the turn of the century show that the wettest year was 2000 and the driest 2003. Up to mid-October last year (2022), it looked as if the 2003 record low would be smashed, but by the end of the year, after some very wet spells during the last 10 weeks, it was about the same.

I avoid quoting figures for the parish as a whole, because in 2021 we moved to Tor View, just a mile to the west & nearer the coast, which when compared to David's figures at Lopthorne proves the difference in just 1 mile.

Ken Boundy

EDITORIAL

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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 13th & 27th March

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
Saturday 18th March	Race Night	Morwenstow Football Club
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