

MICHAEL BUNNEY**Report:****ST.MEWAN****May 2024****Cornwall Councillor for St.Mewan, Grampound, St.Ewe, Pentewan Valley****Community events/ projects**

It was lovely to join you all for the opening of Trewoon Queen Elizabeth 11 garden. Well done to all involved.

I am opening the St.Marks Flower Festival in Sticker in June.

I chair the White River Community Project and we have drawn up plans for nature recovery, flood mitigation and community environmental protection. We are working towards £40k of funding and have secured a commitment to provide £20k already.

I have written to Cornwall Community Land Trust to ask them for a speaker to come to speak to the parish council about land trusts. I am waiting for them to reply.

I have agreed a further grant for Sticker Memory Café and a grant for Grampound Bowling Club

Roads, drains etc

I received many reports from residents about road problems and flooding and reported these to Highways.

20 mph roll out continues and our area is to begin the process in June. It would be great if the parish council can attend the initial meeting and we can then consider carefully each road and consult with residents.

I have only received one email this month re parking issues in Sticker. Thank you to the clerks for dealing with each case and resolving any problems. Budgets are very tight for any highways improvements, so sensitive local working together really helps.

At St.Mewan School, the line repainting and additional small section of waiting restrictions has been agreed as a possible community network highways scheme and will go out for consultation later this year. This has been requested by the school for many years to improve traffic flow and I submitted an application for it.

The community highways budget has no money left now. Highways have assessed all the schemes, including the ones the parish councils submitted and have them on a waiting list. But, all highways schemes will need to be resubmitted after May 2025 now, if a budget is agreed after then.

Polgooth to London Apprentice patching has been done and is a lot better. Cormac has confirmed the road will be closed in June for surface dressing to be applied to seal the road surface. They do this in the April to Oct months usually, to allow the dressing to fix better

Following requests from Trewoon residents I have reported the bus stops on Cooperage Rd, as they are difficult for disabled residents to access. A cut back and some paving stones will help and I have requested this.

The next 20mph meeting is on 10th June and the parish councils will be invited to consider further areas for the next phase of the 20mph zones. This will be the beginning of the consultation, but it

would be helpful if the parish council could have a view on which areas you would like to be considered e.g. Sticker, Trewoon etc

Please do report any highways, drains, floods concerns via the website “report something Cornwall” www.cornwall.gov.uk/report-something or the emergency tel 03001234222

Planning.

I am involved with many planning enforcement cases, especially at Meadow Lakes, Hewas Water and will continue to work closely with the parish council on planning applications. I called the St.Stephens Rd, Sticker application to committee in April and we won a unanimous refusal. The certificate of lawfulness at Meadow Lakes has also been refused this month. We are now concerned about a new application for a bar at Meadow Lakes. As neighbouring parishioners it would be great if you could individually submit comments.

I will always back up the parish’s view. I will always support your decisions and think it is important applications are in line with your neighbourhood development plan. I always stress this to developers who contact me and advise them to meet with the parish council and me if they are considering applications. I am very happy to support you and take any major applications that you are concerned about to planning committee

I continue to work hard as your Cornwall Councillor and have met many residents to help.

Oll an gwella. (All the best in Cornish)

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