

St Dominick Community Shop

The St Dominick Community Shop continues to be open as an ESSENTIAL SERVICE during the current lockdown period due to the fantastic commitment and hard work of all the wonderful volunteers. THANK YOU to everyone who is supporting the shop both as a volunteer and as a customer – your support is very much appreciated!

The current opening hours of the shop are:

- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday - 9am to 3pm
- Thursday, Friday and Saturday - 9am to 5:30pm
- Sunday Morning - 9:15am to 11:30am

These hours will be reviewed as and when the lockdown arrangements are changed over the coming weeks and months. The opening hours are posted at the shop and also on the website.

The Outreach Post Office service continues to be available on a Friday morning from 9am to 1pm. The recent consultation process run by the Post Office on the new service completed at the end of January. We are aware that some of the feedback from residents asked for a second outreach service during the week, and we are awaiting any further news on whether this might be possible.

The shop has also introduced an ordering service for local customers to support and help anyone who is unable to get to the shop during lockdown. Orders can be made on either a Monday or a Wednesday for collection or delivery the following day. Payment can be made either over the phone or at the time of collection. No cost and no minimum order, this is simply a service to support anyone who may need a little bit of help at this time. Please contact Helen Eynon, Shop Manager on 07399-765399 or by email heleneynon@btinternet.com if you want to find out more about the service.

There has been lots of positive feedback over the last few weeks about the growing range of stock – and we are very grateful for all the customer suggestions and recommendations. We want to ensure that the shop is meeting your needs. Highlights have included the marmalade making kits with the seasonal Seville oranges, some lemons and a recipe. Several local residents have shared how much they have enjoyed making their own marmalade, some for the first time. There were many requests for pasties and we have eventually been able to secure a supply of frozen pasties from *Over the Top* pasties in Callington, and the weekly delivery of freshly based sourdough bread has gone down well. Finally, the shop is delighted to be building a close partnership with 'Team Who'd' and is now offering their amazing Tomato Chilli Jam, with an eye on more seasonal products to follow in the coming few months.

As an important reminder, the Community Shop is a Community Benefit Society (CBS), this means that the 'surplus' created from customers using the shop will, in turn, be reinvested in our community through offering funding other local projects and initiatives. The good news is that the shop is already beginning to create a surplus, and it will be for the shareholders to decide how and when to share this money for the benefit of the wider community. The first Annual General Meeting for the shareholders will be taking place this summer.

If anyone wishes to become a shareholder, then please go to the website to find out more information and links there www.stdominickcommunityshop.co.uk.

Please also go to the website or search for St Dominick Community Shop on Facebook to keep up to date with any changes to the opening hours, and any other news and developments at the shop. Thank you.

Observations on the Parish Council meeting – February 2021

This is a report from two meetings, it won't be long.

At one meeting the planning for the Meadows was discussed. The state of play is that outline permission has been granted. This was to decide whether to let the planning officer make the decision regarding the layout or to reject that and request for it to go to a planning committee. The planning officer was mindful to approve the application.

There were members of the public present. It all got confusing because some were against the layout because they didn't think the social housing was allocated enough room, they thought the self-build had too much. Some were talking about the sight lines coming onto the road and the use of the back lane for access, which had already been passed. ETC! and it was on Zoom.

So, when the vote was taken it wasn't against the building of houses, it was against the planning officer accepting these plans on his own. The parish will benefit by several thousand pounds if the building goes ahead. The danger is that if it gets delayed and the law changes there might be no requirement to have social housing at all and no money nor houses for shared ownership or rental will be forthcoming.

At the vote the Chairman voted to accept, thinking it would go through, but as there was a tied vote, he decided that - with his parish hat – that it should go to a committee to decide. If the committee accept the plans development can proceed, if they don't new plans will have to be drawn up. A councillor can speak at the meeting and Councillor Shannon volunteered, being one of the ones who voted against.

The next meeting was fairly hopeless. The chairman had spent £7.99 on a microphone so that people could hear him, but they couldn't, even when he shook it! The whole thing was reminiscent of listening to Radio Luxembourg – some time ago – but some will know what I mean. As no one could hear him Councillor Wilkins took over the meeting.

As a result of a query, it came up that the track around the outside of the Recreation ground has disappeared. It was green mesh and grass was supposed to grow through it, not over it and bury it for ever. To be discovered.....

About £2000 has become available from Cornwall Highways and this will pay for the repair and renewal of the antique finger sign that Councillors Fry and Flashman (still missing) have been dredging the stream for at Ashton. Some councillors suggested speed humps outside the school but this will probably cost too much.

There were a few other things but twice during the meeting there were power cuts, which were very disruptive in this house as I upset a mug of coffee over everything whilst looking for a torch. Then twice the computer said it was an "illegal shut down" and rebooted in its own time and the meeting had moved on.

The next meeting is on Zoom on Wednesday 3rd March. You can join, apply to Jim!



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The poster features a central circular photograph of an adult and two children sitting on the grass outdoors. The background is light blue with various colorful icons like a star, a hot air balloon, a pencil, and letters. A red banner in the top left corner says 'Opens Sept 21' and a yellow hot air balloon in the top right says 'Spaces Available'.

St Dominic Primary School

A warm hello! I am Jon-Joe Wilson the new head of school at St Dominic Primary. I wanted to introduce myself and let you know how honoured and excited I am to be part of the St Dominic family. The children have amazed me, they are so tenacious and so proud of their community.

I hope you are managing to keep safe and well during these challenging circumstances. It is certainly through adversity that you see the true spirit of a community. I look forward to building these links and getting the school at the very heart of St Dominick.

I am delighted to tell you that from September the school will be opening for nursery children as young as 3. We have some very exciting developments at the school to create an inspiring setting for the young children and bringing back toddler groups.



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Plant Sale

After the success of last year's online plant sale, raising money for Parish Hall improvements, we are planning another sale on Saturday 8th May (subject to any Covid restrictions).

All being well, we will hold the sale of plants and gardening paraphernalia in the Parish Hall together with coffee and cake!!

If you have any surplus plants, tools or pots etc. please let us know nearer the date by contacting Jo (350656) or Linda (350556)



St Dominick Festivities Group

As you all know we usually hold a grand **Easter Egg Hunt** on Easter Saturday. This year, not knowing what the restrictions will be over the Easter holidays, we feel that it would be prudent to change the format.

To that end, we will be holding an Easter Egg Trail for children over the whole Easter weekend in Lovells Field, with a **free** Easter egg for every child who completes the trail. Children will be able to go into Lovells with their parents at any time over that weekend which should make it a safe exercise. Entry forms will be able to be collected from the Community Shop over that weekend.



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