

St Dominick **PARISH NEWS** No 190 April 2021

St Dominick Community Shop

As part of the slow and steady release from lockdown, St Dominick Community Shop is planning to extend its opening hours to full days on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from Monday 29 March, subject to all progressing positively on a national and local basis. Please keep an eye on the notices at the Shop, and on the website and facebook and page for more details and confirmation of this. Restrictions and protective measures will still be in place, and we expect these to continue for some time. At the Shop, these include the wearing of face masks, provision of hand sanitiser, limited numbers inside the Shop and maintaining adequate air ventilation. Please continue to respect and follow these precautions - helping to keep everyone in our community safe. For Easter, whilst restrictions on socialising will continue to be in place, the Shop will be open for its normal hours across the whole weekend. In addition, we are delighted to be supporting the Festivities Committee with the arrangements for the socially distanced Easter Egg Hunt in Lovells Field taking place over the weekend. Thank you to our Volunteers for all your help and support with this.

The Shop Volunteers are continuing to enjoy meeting all our Customers and offering new services and ideas. Recent highlights have included supporting Fairtrade Fortnight through highlighting a range of everyday shopping items with the Fairtrade logo, the very popular St Piran's day offer of a pasty and a Cornish Ale, and the Mother's Day giveaway of the potted sunflower seeds to grow and nurture at home. In addition, the plant and compost sales have proved particularly popular and we plan to continue with these.

Shop signs have now appeared around the Village showing the way to the Community Shop. This has been paid for through one of the grants received at the end of last year. The signs are at the entrance to the Car Park and by the Bus stop/School junction.

If anyone is having trouble finding the Shop, one option is to use the excellent What3Words app and put in the unique combination of words '*bends.formal.hotspot*' to navigate to the correct location.

Finally, the website is continuing to develop and expand, and now includes a detailed 'Find Us' section with a map as well as lots of additional useful information - have a look if you want to find out more. www.stdominickcommunityshop.co.uk

St Dominick Methodist Church

Preachers for April & May - All services start at 6pm

04 April	(Easter Sunday) Mark Pellow
11 April	Mark Pellow (Yes twice in a row!)
18 April	Revd Tim Wilkinson (Holy Communion)
25 April	Revd David Moss
02 May	Locally arranged service
09 May	John Ware
16 May	Revd Tim Wilkinson (Holy Communion)
23 May	Revd David Moss
30 May	Miss Jean Ryall

St Dominic Church

Live Services will start again in April.

We will greet Easter Day in the Churchyard with a 'Sunrise Service' at 6.45am. The Holy Communion will be at Pillaton Church that day at 10am.

The first Service inside St Dominic Church is on April 25th at 10am, and will be Holy Communion.

The Church continues to be open on Tuesday and Saturday mornings for Private Prayer.

We are currently bringing the Church facilities more into the 21st Century. In recent weeks the sound system has been improved with the installation of a multimedia system and additional microphones; we have also introduced an Audio Visual system, so that pictures, videos and words can be projected, and our leaders can include more contemporary worship in the future, alongside the existing Services. Stage 2 of the project is to replace the existing speakers to further enhance the sound quality, add a further TV monitor to cover more of the building; we also plan to include a camera with recording and streaming facilities. At present we are seeking funds for the second stage.

Once Covid restrictions allow we would welcome any local groups wishing to use the church building.

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Plant Sale outside the Parish Hall

***** REVISED DATE *** Saturday 22nd May**

After the success of last year's online plant sale, raising money for Parish Hall improvements, we are now planning to hold this year's plant sale on Saturday 22nd May. The gradual easing of covid restrictions means that we should be able to do a few more things by delaying 2 weeks.

All being well, we will hold a socially distanced sale of plants and gardening paraphernalia *outside the Parish Hall* possibly with refreshments (if permitted)!!

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

News from the Whod

Hello everyone! There is much to tell you from the Whod this month. Firstly we are absolutely thrilled to have one of 22 national awards from the 2021 Census Heroes Campaign. For us this is a reflection of how the whole village has supported each other through a very difficult time. We genuinely appreciate your support and do not take this for granted...

The million dollar question.... when will the Whod be reopening?

As you will already know according to the Governments roadmap out of lockdown pubs will hopefully be able to reopen inside on the 17th May. We are also permitted to open on an outside only basis from the 12th April which has given us a quandary to think about.... Do we open outside fully from the 12th? What about the weather? Do we open for just drinkers or for alfresco dining and drinking? How can we improve our outside space? It has not been an easy decision to make- trying to balance our natural inclination to open at the first available opportunity with our concerns about how viable this would be. As you know The Whod has a number of particular challenges... we do not have a huge outside space and the weather here can be, shall we say, bracing. There is every chance a marquee if we were to put one up would develop a mind of its own fairly quickly....

What have you decided?

We want to give you your pub back. We have missed you and want to see you all.

We have decided to test the waters with the following *al fresco bar opening hours from the 15th April...*

Thursday, Friday & Saturday 4-8 . Sunday 12-4

If we are really busy these opening hours will change.... If our garden area is full at 8pm and everyone is having a great time with sundowners in their hands we have no intention of calling last orders...

What will the menu be?

Again this was another difficult decision. We did not want to go down the reduced menu route with a reliance on pre made freezer to fryer/ microwave products. This would have eliminated our concerns about wastage, if the weather is not kind to us, but it is just not our vision for The Whod. However our full seasonal, fresh and made on site reopening menu which we will launch in May was also untenable- we don't know what the weather will be like and we have no idea how busy it will be based on outside drinking and dining.

What food will you be doing when you are open?

We have decided to run the menu with a themed approach... Our "Fish Frydays" and Sunday "Roasts with the Most" are incredibly popular and we are proud of what we have achieved. On Fridays we will run our Fish Fryday menu not just as a takeaway, but also for those who want to dine here with us. Similarly we will be running our Sunday Roasts as a takeaway and as an al fresco dining option. On a Thursday we will be running a Gourmet Burger menu available to takeaway or al fresco dining. Finally on a Saturday we are excited to tell you that we have invited Rob & Sib (ex Carpenters Arms) to run a wood fired sourdough pizza menu from their new pizza van which will be stationed on our car park on Saturday nights throughout the period of time that we are only allowed to open outside... In summary our menu will be be....

- Thursday- Gourmet Burger night with options including the Boris Burger, the Orville Burger, the Big Bird, the Sexy Cow and the Daft Cow. Have a look at our website! Available 5- 7.30 to take away or eat here.
- Friday- Fish Frydays- available 5- 7:30 to takeaway or eat here
- Saturday – Soudough Wood Fired Pizzas from Rob and Sib available 5- 7.30
- Sunday- Roast with the Most available 12- 2.30

Will takeaways continue?

Yes ! We need to make sure everyone feels included whether they want to eat at home or enjoy our space. In fact you now have more options and more evenings to choose from as we launch Gourmet Burger Thursdays and Wood Fired Sourdough Pizzas on a Saturday....

Can we order a takeaway and change our mind? Absolutely... if its beautifully warm and you fancy it grab a table and enjoy a drink with your takeaway.

Have you any plans with the outside space?

We do.... We have more tables in our beer garden and have increased the seating at the front of the pub. We have revamped both spaces and have plans to keep you as warm and dry as possible!

What are the rules we have to follow and do we need to book to drink or dine with you from Thursday 15th April?

You don't need to book but you are welcome to should you wish to. We have started to take bookings for both outside in April/ May and inside from the 17th May... Please book through our website or give us a call. You are advised to book for tables inside from the 17th May as we anticipate being busy.

We will need your contact details if you are drinking and dining with us and all ordering will be done from your table. You are welcome to use our ordering app should you wish to or order with us from your table... You are able to come into the building to use the toilets and the social distancing rules are... no more than six people on a table from up to six different households...

They say there is no such thing as the wrong weather.... Just the wrong clothes. Get yourselves suitably attired and we cant wait to see you from Thursday 15th April

Team Whod

Fly-on-the-wall at the Parish Council Meeting March 2021

Welcome to another report of St Dominic Parish Council's Zoom meeting in March.

All councillors were eventually present, also the meeting was attended by Mr Andrew Budd and Mr Andrew Long, also a new member of the public.

I expect you all have remembered that in May there are going to be Police elections everywhere, also local council elections will take place where appropriate. St Dominic is no longer going to be a unit with Calstock. We are to be with Kelly Bray and Callington. This means that Councillor Flashman our CC member, should he choose to stand again which he might or might not, possibly won't be our leading light, unless he moves house as well – who knows, but that's all I can say. Actually he probably could be but Calstock would be better for him.

Mr Budd is, I believe going to stand as a Councillor for Cornwall Council in May. He was not allowed to canvass at this meeting, he just introduced himself as Mr Andrew Budd, said he was a Parish Councillor at South Hill and was an engineer who grew up in Plympton. An online meeting is probably not the best place to "show your face", we know what one of his ears looks like but it has broken the ice and opened the door for when he can canvass properly. Councillor Long then spoke to the meeting, he is the sitting Cornwall councillor and wanted to tell St Dominic about the Neighbourhood Plan for Callington. (You remember St Dominic hasn't got a Neighbourhood Plan, mainly because it has to be Parish Council led combined with willing members of the public. Someone did offer to spearhead it years ago but there wasn't much other (any other) offer of help so it was abandoned. There is now an idea we could team up with St Mellion but this can't be discussed until after the election).

Anyway Councillor Long reported that when all the directives came through ages ago about house building Callington was told they had to have 1000 houses and the town council have been working towards this. There are now plans to be on public display sometime to build these between the roundabout on the A388 as you enter Callington from here and the Moss Side Roundabout. This will incorporate a new Health Centre etc. He didn't say when it would happen. The investigations at Kelly Bray are looking to have discovered the 6th richest seam of copper in the world and new employment would mean new houses were necessary.

They also have a litter picking group and would be pleased to work with St Dominic. He was told we have our own.

Mr Budd and Mr Long then left the meeting.

Councillor Shannon reported on the Planning meeting regarding next to The Meadows. The Cornwall Council Planning Committee voted in favour of the building with one abstention. Our council's main objections were 1) the area for social housing was too small, but Plymouth Housing Association commented they were bigger than they had to be, and 2) the social housing should be interspersed with the private self build, which they said couldn't be done with self build plots as some took years to complete. They were very supportive of self build, although the timescale was dodgy, because when people build their own they tended never to move!

Councillor Fry has not yet received the "We're Watching You" notices to distribute around the Parish re dog fouling.

Usual things, no volunteers for the Parish Hall Committee, also no one has found the running track that was around the Recreation field once. I do believe someone has now remembered it wasn't a running track, it was for better wheelchair access. Anyway, still on the search. Jim has arranged for Cornwall Council to come and assess the need for school signs on the hill down to the school, but there seem to be some already there. Another mystery. The power washing/painting of the bus shelter is in hand. Internet banking is still on the way, that's about six months to sort that out.

Councillor Mason encouraged people to download "what3words" onto their phones, some people are still unaware of this, which will enable anyone to report potholes with an exact position. Also if you fall off a cliff you will be able to summon help, depends what sort of lifestyle you're leading. Very useful app anyway.

Now, back to these elections. Everyone on the Parish council has to stand down now. Then, they have to remember to apply to be re-elected. (Remember ex Councillor Chapman)? I don't know if anyone is restanding or not. If there are more applicants than positions there will be an election and you will all have to vote, in the Parish Hall. I want everyone to search their conscience and see whether they could bring something to these meetings and subsequently to this Parish. Don't just say, "I wouldn't be any good, I would say too much", that's just showing your age. All old people say that, and do nothing. If you want to know what it all entails speak to a current councillor or the parish council clerk, Jim, whose address is in this newsletter and see what you think. There are currently 2 vacancies which could increase to 10! I think the next meeting is **14TH APRIL** on Zoom, available for anyone to join in. See you there.

Why stand for the Parish Council?

On Thursday May 6th there are elections for Police & Crime Commissioner, Cornwall Council, but, more importantly, for your local St Dominic Parish Council.

So what does your Parish Council do, and what does being a Parish

Councillor involve? The Parish Council is the lowest tier of local government, and acts as the voice of the community, reporting issues such as highway problems, litter and dog fouling. Other duties are commenting on planning applications, such as the recent scheme for affordable housing and self-build houses at The Meadows. It can also help create a Neighbourhood Development Plan, like the one Callington Town Council are currently creating, which decides if, and where, future developments can be built.

Parish Councils are also able to deliver services to meet local need, so Lovells recreation field is also managed by your Parish Council. The council is responsible for safety checks, and funding new equipment. Other projects that the council have helped facilitate are the St Dominica Trail and the Community Shop, which is part of their role in improving quality of life and community well being.

There are usually monthly meetings, except in January and August, held in the Village Hall, due to the pandemic now over Zoom. There are 10 Councillors on St Dominic Parish Council, why not get involved, you don't need any experience and its surprising what you can achieve for your community, and it would be great to get more diversity on the council. In order to stand you need to be over 18, to get a Candidates Pack from Cornwall Council, and they must be returned by April 8th at 4.00pm.

I am writing this as your **Parish Clerk**. If you need more information please contact me for help

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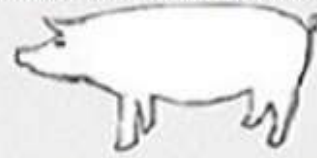
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