

St Dominick Community Shop

At the Community Shop, the opening hours are now:

- Monday to Friday 8:45am to 5:30pm (Outreach Post Office on a Friday morning)
- Saturday 9am to 5:30pm
- Sunday 9:15am to 11:30am

There have been some small changes and adjustments to the Volunteer Rota and thank you to everyone for your support on this. We are delighted to welcome back some volunteers who took a break during the recent lockdown period and would also like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to several new volunteers joining the team over the coming weeks too! Please do feel free to say hello and chat to the volunteers whenever you visit the shop.

Over the Easter Holiday weekend, the volunteers helped with the arrangements for the Easter Egg Trail organised by the Festivities Group. Due to Covid restrictions this was a trail with egg pictures to find in Lovells Field and chocolate eggs given out on completion. Blessed with some dry weather, this proved very popular with the families and especially the children. All the volunteers very much enjoyed being involved, and we hope to be able to support the Festivities Group with a similar event next year.

If anyone is interested in joining the Community Shop Volunteer team, then please leave a message at the shop or call Linda Fry on **351177**.

Also, during April, we have been able to restart the Recycling for Charity initiative run by Alison Humphreys from South Hill Recycling. One warm and dry afternoon Alison parked up outside the shop with her trusty trailer and recycling bins for about an hour or so. During this time, she had a steady stream of visitors bringing a range of wrappers, plastics, empty and clean food pouches and other waste products for recycling. Further visits have been arranged for **Thursday 6 May** and **Monday 7 June**. Please have a look at the posters in the Community Shop and Recycling for Charity website www.south-hill.co.uk/charity-recycling for more details. A great way of recycling items that are not able to go in the kerbside recycling bags.

The next key event for the Community Shop is to arrange its first Annual General Meeting (AGM) for all the Members/Shareholders of the Community Benefit Society or CBS. We are currently making plans and arrangements for this to take place over the summer and we will be contacting all 140+ shareholders with the details very soon. The meeting will provide an update on the performance and success of the shop so far and more information on the future plans, including how and when the surplus being might be spent within our community. The AGM is also the moment when the existing Management Board formally stands down and a new Board is elected from the current shareholders. The current directors are keen for more shareholders from our community to get involved with the overall management of the shop and would love to see some new people step forward. We would particularly welcome shareholders with experience in any of the following areas: retail or commercial business environments, building work and managing building projects, marketing and communications – and what is most important is a genuine enthusiasm to support the shop and having the time to get involved. If anyone would like a chat about the AGM or the nomination and election process to be part of the Management Board, then please do contact either Sue Morrish, Company Secretary on 350984 or Jo Redgrave, Chair on 351007.

If you are not already a shareholder and wish to find out how to become one then please go to the St. Dominick Community Shop website www.stdominickcommunityshop.co.uk and follow the links from the home page. Remember, buying shares in a Community Shop is best considered as a social investment rather than a financial one. Thank you to all our shareholders, customers and volunteers for your support of the Community Shop during this period of lockdown – which is now, hopefully, beginning to come to an end. The Community Shop has become an ESSENTIAL SERVICE and part of our community and this wouldn't happen without you all!

St Dominick WI – alive and kicking!! The WI is thriving in St. Dominick despite the hardships of the past year. Friendship, fun and a sense of togetherness has been more important than ever. We have been holding our meetings on Zoom, when restrictions don't allow us to meet in person, and enjoying walks around the parish when permitted to do so. We have been entertained by speakers on Hampton Court ghosts, cybercrime awareness and catering in the Royal Navy. We are looking forward to hearing stories of Cornish Dialect and discussing the National resolution for spotting the early signs of ovarian cancer for the start of our new year. We always welcome visitors and new members to our friendly group, so please get in touch if you would like to know more....
(contact our secretary at valerie.gill@icloud.com)

Observations on the Parish Council meeting - April 2021

This was another joyous Zoom meeting, much loved by the present chairman (not) because he couldn't give anyone "the look" when asking for volunteers. Soon they should be back in the Parish Hall with a new chairman probably and two new Councillors. There will be no election as they are still one short, one is not standing again. So, if anyone wants to come forward.....

The two new Councillors will be Mrs. Rachel Hutchings and Mr. Wayne Evident, who were both present at this meeting but not allowed to take part yet, not having been signed in. So, we had the councillors, and technically four members of the public as well, it could have been like a party. Tracey from the pub spoke about a bit of planning the Brewery were applying for which was to convert the three garages to en-suite letting rooms, no outside changes much. She also thanked the village for their support during lockdown.

Then Councillor Cox had to leave the meeting as his planning application was discussed. This was to convert the old Post Office back to living accommodation, no exterior change, which was unanimously agreed. Unfortunately, he then had to re-join the meeting but he didn't know, so had to be telephoned because Nina (another MOP) said he'd gone downstairs. It was noted that he had had to apply for planning at considerable cost because the site is in the consultation zone for MOD Nuclear Site Devonport and they could comment when it goes to Cornwall Council. That would be interesting!

As he has been a councillor for some weeks now, he appears to have had a broken stile named after him. Alan's stile. He reported it ages ago and Councillor Potter went and cobbled it together a bit, whilst awaiting a Cornwall Council repair. The news has now come through that an inspection has been done and there's nothing wrong with it. Too good a temp job obviously.

Councillors had all received packs regarding the proposed right of way at Stockwell Lane. The Chairman asked if they had all read them. He was looking for a councillor to take the lead on the paperwork perhaps with a parishioner. I think his sound had gone off, one councillor suggested someone else. And one MOP offered to do it but as by next time he will be a councillor the whole thing was deferred until May. Councillor Wilkins offered the use of the shop as a base for the forms which could be very handy. Ex councillor Keith Chapman has offered to show Councillor Shannon the path around the field, she is to mark it. Now, very important: dog poo etc. Although we are not allowed more bins, as previously frequently reported, we could be allowed bigger ones and are to ask again about this. Also, to clear up a point which a lot of people are asking, you are allowed to put dog poo in your own bins at home (wrapped a bit would be nice). Some people have been putting their dog poo from home in the public bins which fills them quickly, and explains a lot. They are for people out walking with their dogs!! Councillor Fry's dog signs - "We're watching you" haven't yet materialised but he is one step further on. Last week a Council van was spotted in the village with dog signage on the side which made him think that this was his moment, they had arrived. Unfortunately, not the case. He apprehended the said van, and the driver told him he was investigating some fly tipping at Cotehele. When questioned regarding the signs he said his mate was in charge of that, but they'd run out at the moment. (Big Sigh).

Lastly a volunteer was requested, and I'm not sure if he got one or not, to wash off the Parish Council Notice board in the layby at the Church. After Councillor Cox volunteered, the job escalated to "While you're at it the back's falling to pieces, needs new wood, the whole thing needs staining and you'll have to take the legs off to move it." Councillor Wenmoth informed the meeting she had just been told by the man who ordered it that it should have been oiled regularly. No idea what's happening now.

Next meeting 7.00 on 19th May, possibly in the Parish Hall but TBC by the Council, when it will be really exciting as they will have to elect a new chairman and vice chairman.



Are you up for a Challenge?

St Dominick Parish Church is looking for your help in raising some funds to support your parish church as we look back on a whole year without substantial fundraising.

The 8th and 9th of May are the 'Feast-days' of St. Dominica, the patron saint of the church and namesake of the village, and St. Indract, patron saint of the Chapel at Halton Quay. *This year these dates coincide with a weekend!*

The challenge is to walk a circular route - taking in both places - over that weekend - and to seek sponsorship for your efforts.

If you take on the challenge we will email you an online 'package' which you can use to publicise your sponsored walk to friends and family, either by email and/or by using social media - with a link to our Just Giving page, to make it easy for your sponsors to donate.

Each person will need to complete their walk, either on their own or in a covid-safe bubble of up to 6, and report back to their sponsors - maybe documenting their trip with a photo or two to share with them.

If you are up for the challenge and feel you would like to help support your local, grade 1 listed, Parish Church - please email clareleppcc@btinternet.com or call Lisk 35 1381 for more ways to help - thank you.



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St Dominick Village Hall

At a recent Village Hall committee meeting we thought it would be a good idea for the residents of St. Dominick to know a little more about the running of the Hall. There is a small committee, who are all volunteers, that meet once a month to help raise funds for the running and repair to the Hall. If anyone wants to join us, do please get in touch.

Before the pandemic, The Hall was used almost on a daily basis, sometimes during the day and in the evenings. The Hall has a fully fitted kitchen and can seat 100 people.

We are in the process of updating the toilets to ensure there are up to date facilities for disabled persons and small children. We are also considering putting in Wi-Fi and would be interested to hear whether you think that may be a good idea and would you use it if you were to book the Hall?

Many regular activities including, Pilates, line dancing, keep fit, Morris Men, jive club and astronomy hire our Hall, and we also hold regular meetings including Parish Council, WI and Tuesday and Hobbies clubs.

Regular events include The Autumn Show, Christmas events, St. Pirans Day, Big Breakfast and Pasty and Pud. All of these are regularly attended by many St. Dominick residents. It's perfect for meeting your neighbours and for making new friends.

Each year the outgoings remain more or less the same. It costs approximately £6,500 to keep the Hall in the good condition it is in. The larger expenses are the annual cleaning of the building, (average £1,500) followed by insurance/indemnity/PRS (music) licence (£1,500) heating and electric and water (£2,000). There are then expenses such as fire extinguisher servicing, PAT testing and boiler servicing; all expenses to keep the Hall safe.

In the year 2018/2019 (obviously not last year due to COVID) the incomings were approximately £10,000.00 which includes all of the above plus private hires (parties, wakes, etc).

This means that we have a surplus each year which in recent years we have been saving knowing that we wanted to update the toilets. With a building of this age, we need to know that we have funds in hand for repairs if necessary. Any home owner will know that at any time, the roof, guttering, windows, etc may need some repair. The maintenance of the car park also needs to be taken into account. The list goes on...

If you have any questions on the above do get in touch. Charmian: charmian.saunders1@outlook.com

After the success of last year's online plant sale, raising money for Parish Hall improvements, this year's **plant sale will be held on Saturday 22nd May**. The gradual easing of Covid restrictions means that we should be able to do a few more things by then. All being well, we will hold a socially distanced sale of plants and gardening paraphernalia *outside the Parish Hall*. If you have been potting up plants & seedlings for the sale, would you kindly hand them in either to JO at Stone Cross (350656) or LINDA at Danescombe Gate (350556) on either **WEDNESDAY 19th or THURSDAY 20th May**, so that we can list & price them, together with any other gardening items you can spare. Many thanks – looking forward to seeing you on the 22nd!

St. Dominick Church

02 May Halton Quay Cornish Evensong on YouTube

09 May Morning Praise in the Church

01,02,03 July St Dominick Craft Fair

St. Dominick Methodist Chapel

Preachers for May – all services start at 6pm

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

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Diary events are collated by Valerie Gill (Tel 351927) valerie.gill@icloud.com

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St Dominick Parish Council are planning to register the lane known as Stockwell Lane or Back Lane as a Public Right of Way to ensure its free and continued use for future generations. Initially the Parish Council would like to hear from anyone who has travelled this lane in the last twenty years. There will be forms available in the Community Shop on which you can make a statement or you can approach any parish councillor or email the parish clerk at clerk@stdominicpc.org.uk.

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