

# ST ERME PARISH COUNCIL



## Annual Report

1st April 2013—31st March 2014

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### Chairman's Report

The last twelve months have seen the parish council involved in many things.

The new development at Truthan View has now been finished and an issue with the Maintenance Management Plan has now been addressed.

The works to improve the lane adjacent to the shop has been completed including a new surface and street lighting. The s106 monies from the Truthan View development paid for these works and will pay for the new bus shelters to be installed opposite the Rows Honda Garage and an upgrade of the Chapel Road shelter.

European Government funding has paid for two new shelters at the top of Eglos Road and there will also be two new shelters at the bottom of Eglos Road to replace the existing one with an additional shelter on the opposite side of the road. These works should commence shortly.

Following the development of the Tregassow Solar Farm, the community received a one off payment of £25000.00. Following consultation it was agreed for the money to go towards the funding of a Community Bus for the parish. The St Erme Playing Field Trust took on the running of this and the new bus has been leased on a three year contract. So far the school and Silver Circle are using it on a regular basis and they have received bookings from the football club and local parishioners. Please support the Community Bus, it needs to be used to be viable for the future.

We have received a number of planning application this year of which the majority have been straight forward. One application in particular has proved to be problem and I thank the residents concerned for being patient. Cornwall Council have since apologised for the way the application was handled and are working with us and the residents to address the issues.

As usual we are continuing to chase Cormac Solutions Ltd on a number of highways issues, such as the repainting of the yellow lines in the village and the reinstatement and repairs of Tregassow Lane. We will continue to work with Cllr Eathorne-Gibbons (Cornwall Councillor) who has been helping address the issues with the highways department.

I would like to thank the St Erme Community Enhancement Group who we have been working in partnership with to plant trees and daffodil bulbs around the village. The committee were successful in receiving a grant from the 'Big Tree Plant'

The St Erme Village Design Statement has now been completed and is currently with Cornwall Council to be considered for adoption as a material consideration for any future planning. I would like to thank everyone who attended the consultation events to express their opinions and the committee for collating and putting together the document. The next step will be to look at carrying out a Neighbourhood Plan.

The St Erme Emergency Plan has gained recognition through out the country with Mr Dave Matthews representing the committee on local TV and radio and even a presentation in London. Thank you Dave for your time and commitment.

Also thank you to the members of the council, Cllr Eathorne-Gibbons, the Clerk and Street Cleaner for their continued support throughout the year.

**Cllr Rob Trethewey (Chairman)**

## ST ERME PARISH COUNCIL

### MEETINGS

The Parish Council meets at 7.30pm in St Erme Village Hall usually on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month apart from August.

Members of the public are welcome to attend any meetings and are given 15 minutes during public participation to ask any questions or put across any concerns. Occasionally there may be extra meetings when required due to planning application deadlines or any urgent business that may arise and the venues/times of these meetings may be different, please check on the agenda. The agendas of all meetings are displayed in the notice boards and website three clear days before.

**The scheduled full council meetings for 2014/2015 are as follows:**

7th July 2014	1st September 2014
6th October 2014	3rd November 2014
1st December 2014	5th January 2015
2nd February 2015	2nd March 2015
6th April 2015	11th May 2015 <b>(Annual Meeting)</b>

**The following meetings will be held at the St Erme Community Centre:**

17th November 2014	<b>Public Precept Meeting</b>
16th March 2015	<b>Annual Parish Meeting</b>

### COUNCILLORS TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES - 2013/2014

The members receive allowances for travel and subsistence for duties carried **outside** of the Parish.

The allowances claimed for 1st April 2013 to 31st March 2014 are as follows:

COUNCILLOR	AMOUNT
Cllr Trethewey (Chairman)	£80.20
Cllr Light (Vice-chairman)	£0.00
Cllr S Jones	£39.73
Cllr Holt	£0.00
Cllr Pound	£0.00
Cllr P Jones	£29.55
Cllr Thomas (co-opted 07.10.13)	£0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£149.48</b>

### PLANNING

One of the council's responsibilities is its role as a consultee in the planning process. St Erme Parish Council takes great care to consider each application on its merits and looks at the nature of the proposal and its potential effects on the surrounding area.

You can request to view any applications through the clerk by appointment, or at Cornwall Council's website: [www.cornwall.gov.uk](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk)

### Representatives

Members of the council are appointed at each Annual Meeting to represent the council on other committees. Please see the list below of appointments:

<b>Cornwall Association of Local Council's</b>	Cllr Pound and Cllr S Jones
<b>Public Rights of Way</b>	Cllr Holt
<b>Truro &amp; Roseland Community Network Area</b>	Cllr Trethewey & Cllr S Jones
<b>St Erme Emergency Plan Committee</b>	Cllr Trethewey, Cllr Light, Cllr Pound and Cllr S Jones
<b>Planning &amp; Development</b>	Cllr Light
<b>St Erme Village Hall</b>	Cllr S Jones
<b>St Erme Playing Field Trust</b>	Cllr Light and Cllr Holt
<b>St Erme Cricket Club</b>	Cllr Pound
<b>St Erme Community Enhancement Group</b>	Cllr Thomas
<b>St Erme Youth Group</b>	Cllr P Jones
<b>St Erme with Trispen CP School (Governor)</b>	Cllr P Jones

# ST ERME PARISH COUNCIL

## HOW YOUR MONEY IS SPENT

### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR - 1ST APRIL 2013 TO 31ST MARCH 2014

Each year, the Parish Council sets a budget for the following financial year.

The precept (the parish council's share of your rates) for 2013/2014 was £29,393.00

In the precept an amount towards grants for local organisations is also set.

During the financial year of 2013/2014 we granted to the following organisations:

St Erme PCC: £1,100.00  
towards Church yard maintenance

St Erme Cricket Club: £250.00  
towards new mowers

St Erme Village Hall: £1,000.00  
towards repairs

St Erme Toddler Group: £160.00  
towards insurance costs

St Erme WI: £100.00  
towards the cost of guest speakers

St Erme Silver Circle: £200.00  
towards outings/trips

St Erme Playing Field Trust: £250.00  
towards a new litter bin for Tren creek Park

St Erme School PTA: £300.00  
towards Camp Kernow

St Erme Community Enhancement Group: £1,000.00  
towards the 'Big Tree Plant'

We also paid out £125.00 between the Cornwall Playing Fields Association, Victim Support and Cornwall Blind Association

INCOME	AMOUNT	EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT
Brought forward	£58,472.73	Administration	£13,031.39
Precept	£29,393.00	Councillor Allowances	£149.48
Interest	£13.39	Grants	£4785.00
Partnership Grants	£4,592.95	Loan Repayment	£7,513.59
Council Tax Support Grant	£3657.82	Community Bus Grant	£10,000.00
		Street Cleansing Weeds/Grass Maintenance	£6,596.73
		Footpath Maintenance	£667.21
		VAT	£521.99
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£96,489.89</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£43,265.39</b>
		C/fwd. Funds	£5,239.50
		C/fwd. Revenue Reserves	£17,958.00
		Contingency Fund	£17,000.00
		C/fwd. Community Benefit	£15,000.00
	<b>£96,489.89</b>		<b>£98,489.89</b>

#### **PUBLIC PRECEPT MEETING**

Each year we hold a public meeting to put forward the draft precept, to give parishioners an opportunity to have a say on how their money is being spent.

The next Public Precept Meeting for the 2015/2016 precept will be on

Monday 17th November 2014 at the St Erme Community Centre  
8.00pm

**PLEASE COME ALONG AND HAVE A SAY IN  
HOW YOUR MONEY IS SPENT**

**COUNCILLORS ATTENDANCE**

The council has 11 full council meetings a year, plus additional meetings when required which brought the total to 14 meetings for 2013/2014. The members of the council **do not** receive payment for duties carried out with in the parish.

In addition to the above members and the clerk represented the council on various committees and also attended training events when required through out the year.

Councillor	Full Council Meetings (11)	All Full Council Meetings, Extraordinary and Public Meetings(14)	Apologies received for absence
Cllr Trethewey	100%	100%	-
Cllr Light	100%	100%	-
Cllr S Jones	91%	93%	100%
Cllr Holt	73%	79%	50%
Cllr Pound	82%	79%	100%
Cllr P Jones	91%	93%	100%
Cllr Thomas(6)	100%	89%	100%
Cllr Eathorne-Gibbons (Cornwall Councillor)	73%	64%	100%

**PARISH WEBSITE**

**[www.stermeparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.stermeparishcouncil.org.uk)**

You can view/download the council's agendas, minutes, annual reports, policies and procedures, useful numbers etc.

If you are interested in advertising your business or organisation please contact the clerk for more details

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Please have a browse to see what is happening in your parish