

# St Erme Parish Council



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## Parish Council Elections

On **Thursday 4th May 2017** the 4 yearly Parish and Town Council Elections will be held.

There are 7 seats in St Erme . If there are more people standing than seats in the parish then an election will be held and a statement of persons nominated will be issued on Wednesday 5th April.

If you would like to stand for election and represent your community you will need to complete election papers and return these to Cornwall Council by no later than **4pm on Tuesday 4th April 2017**.

Election packs will be available to be picked up from the Parish Clerk in March (date to be advised see noticeboards).

Or you can contact the Electoral Services at Cornwall Council on 0300 123 1115 or email **voter-registration@cornwall.gov.uk**

Documents have been produced by the Cornwall Association of Local Councils on what is involved in being a Parish Councillor and these can be downloaded from the council's website under the header 'Council' at **www.stermeparishcouncil.org.uk**

Alternatively feel free to contact Sally Trethewey Parish Clerk about standing for election to St Erme Parish Council.

At our Annual Parish Meeting in Tuesday 21st March 2017 Cllr Colin Pound will give a talk on what the role involves and the election process. This meeting will be held at the St Erme Community Centre at 7.30pm. There will be an opportunity to ask questions and speak to other Cllr's or the clerk during the evening. There will also be information available at this meeting that you can take away with you.

Further information is available from Cornwall Council's Electoral Services team and published on their website at [www.cornwall.gov.uk](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk) .



## St Erme Neighbourhood Plan

The Neighbourhood Plan's Steering Group's 2nd Newsletter was distributed at the beginning of February, which you all should have received.

Members have been working hard carrying out research for a Local Landscape Character Assessment of the parish, alongside support from Geoff Pring and Cornwall Council. This went to public consultation on 25th February.

The event had not yet taken place when this article was written. So please look out for the next Neighbourhood Plan Newsletter for more information.

The Neighbourhood Plan must come from you the community and we thank those that attended, contributed and volunteered at this event.

Please keep a look out on the parish noticeboards, Facebook, leaflets, and website for further consultation.

The next areas we will be looking at will be infrastructure, highways, Public Rights of Way, business, education and health.

## St Erme Emergency Plan Committee

### Public Defibrillator

The defibrillator is now ready for use if required on the outside wall of Trispen Stores. Anyone can use this, you do not require any training, the defibrillator will talk you through the process and will not shock anyone that does not require it.

However as part of our British Heart Foundation grant we have been asked to hold CPR training with a kit supplied by them and at the same time we can show a DVD on how to use the defibrillator. Please look out for dates and book a place.

Please remember this is a public defibrillator that can be used by you!



Grant funding and Sponsorship was received from Cornwall Council, the British Heart Foundation and Mr & Mrs Matthews (proprietors of Trispen Post Office & Stores)



### **Photos:**

Cllr Trethewey (St Erme Emergency Plan Committee)

Cheryl Matthews (Proprietor of Trispen Post Office & Stores—Sponsor)

Mark O'Brien (St Erme Emergency Plan Committee)





## Highways Issues

The council have been continuing to look at issues relating to the maintenance of the roads around the parish.

We are aware that the rural roads in particular are in a poor state of repair in places with debris on the roads, blocked drains, flooding, potholes etc. Which can cause the roads to be slippery and flooded in places.

Cornwall Council no longer carry out regular maintenance on these roads, like leaf clearance, gully/drain clearing etc. due to budget cuts and concentrate more on the A and B roads.

We have written to Cllr Biscoe (Cornwall Council Portfolio Holder for Highways) regarding the lack of maintenance and safety issues, stating that it will cost them more in the long run, however Cllr Biscoe has replied saying that they do not have the money to carry these works out.

We will continue to try to address areas that are brought to our attention and we ask you to report to Cornwall Council any issues such as flooding, blocked drains, pot holes and debris on the roads and they should come out to clear/inspect them asap.

Please report issues direct to Highways on 0300 1234 222 or through Cornwall Council's website at [www.cornwall.gov.uk](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk) . We would also appreciate it if you could copy your report to the clerk at [stermepc@btinternet.com](mailto:stermepc@btinternet.com) so we are aware of any issues.

With regards to the on-going problems of flooding at Tregassow Lane, we are currently in discussions with Cornwall Council and landowners to come up with a scheme to sort the drainage issues and Cllr Eathorne-Gibbons (Cornwall Councillor) is assisting us with this.

### Update on the S 106 Monies

We have now agreed the play/gym equipment for areas around the village and are in the process of applying to Cornwall Council for the monies to be released to the parish council. Once this has been received we will be in the position to order the equipment.

The following has been agreed:

**School Playing Field** - Nest swing - junior equipment - picnic bench - gates at the entrances of the field.

**Trispen Football Field** -

Toddler equipment, outside gym equipment, picnic benches, litterbins

**Cricket Field** - Picnic benches, litterbins

**St Erme Church Yard** —2 seats

**Truthan View** - Picnic Bench and litterbin

**Trencreek Park** - Litterbin

The plans will be available to view at the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 21st March 2017



# ST ERME PARISH COUNCIL

WILL BE HOLDING THEIR

# ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

ON TUESDAY 21ST MARCH 2017

AT THE

ST ERME COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7.30PM

## Speaker

Cllr Colin Pound

What is involved in being a Councillor?  
(Parish Council Elections May 2017)

There will be an information stand on the forthcoming elections and being a councillor; and an opportunity to speak to the clerk or members of the council.

## Updates On

St Erme Neighbourhood Plan

Open Spaces S106 Monies

**REFRESHMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE**

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

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**Meetings:**

Members of the public are welcome to attend any meetings and are given 15 minutes during public participation to discuss any items on the agenda.

Occasionally there may be extra meetings when required due to planning application deadlines or any urgent business that may arise and the venues of meetings may be different, please check on the agenda.

The agendas of all meetings are displayed in the notice boards three clear days before and commence at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated.

**The next meetings of the council are as follows:**

Tuesday 7th March 2017 (St Erme Community Centre)  
Tuesday 21st March 2017 (Annual Parish Meeting -St Erme Community Centre)  
Tuesday 4th April 2017 (St Erme Community Centre)  
Tuesday 9th May 2017 tbc (Annual Meeting)  
Tuesday 6th June 2017 (St Erme Community Centre)

**Committees:**

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

**Cornwall Association of Local Council's:** *Cllr S Jones and Cllr Pound*

**Public Rights of Way:** *Cllr Holt*

**Truro & Roseland Community Network Area:** *Cllr Trethewey and Cllr S Jones*

**St Erme Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group:** *Cllr Trethewey, Cllr Pound, Cllr P Jones*

**St Erme Village Hall Committee:** *Cllr S Jones*

**St Erme Playing Field Trust:** *Cllr Holt*

**St Erme Cricket Club:** *Cllr Pound*

**St Erme Community Enhancement Com:** *Cllr P Jones and Vacancy*

**St Erme Emergency Plan Committee:** *Cllr Trethewey, Cllr Light, Cllr Pound, Cllr S Jones*