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**Thank you to the Friends of St Dominick Parish Church for delivering this issue of the Parish News**

### Notice from the Parish Council

St Dominick Parish Council would like to remind everyone that Lovells Field is a dog free zone. Please don't take your dog there, or allow your dog to wander in on its own. We all know what it's like to step in dog poo - pretty horrid, so imagine what it must be like to play a game of football and fall on a dog poo, even worse. Not to mention children riding their bikes or falling over in it as well. Please, leave Lovells clean and dog poo free, for all of us to enjoy.



***(If you are new to the Parish Lovells Field is the playing field situated between the school and the Parish Hall)***

### Parish Council Meeting February 2019 (as interpreted by our Roving Reporter)

Firstly apologies to Chairman Wilkins for calling him Walker last month, it can get confusing in such a busy meeting to have two men both called Graham W..... when you're trying to keep track of proceedings, not that they look the same.

All councillors were present at this meeting, also attending was the owner of Radland Wood, who came to keep the Parish Council informed of the intentions of his company, Wildlife Woodlands Ltd towards the said area. He has a solicitor sorting out bits and pieces at the moment and his business partner will take down the mail box when he has time, soon. It is his intention to keep everyone informed, he was thanked for attending.

Then, two members of the public turned up, just out of interest to see what happens, that was different. Other than that everything was much the same. The chairman had tried to contact the handyman which was his delegated job just before he came out, but he was missing. Councillor Potter had forgotten to contact his contact re the steps up from the layby, but it's gone back on his list. Actually there was a bit of a hiccup here, because one of the councillors who was away at the last meeting when this was agreed, didn't like the sound of it. And then, the councillors who had agreed it realised they had been talking at cross purposes, some thought it was just a few steps cut into the bank somewhere but it was supposed to be right up to the tree which will one day be majestic. Councillor Greene said she would just get a bit of old rope if it was this much trouble, but Councillor Potter said he would ring his contact and see.....

Thanks to Travis Perkins, Callington, who have donated the bus shelter paint, thanks to the parishioner who has mended the recreation field wall and also to the Council digger driver who has been doing such a good job around the parishes locally, clearing out the old blocked drains.

The Parish council are donating the cleaner's cupboard to the parish hall, Councillor Davis is officially the proposer for the purchase of the hall janitorial cupboard.

The post box hasn't been mended, the Halton Quay road signs are still missing, the Baber potholes are not deep enough to do, the Cross/Vogus signs are still wrong but they need new brackets. One salt and grit bin is  $\frac{3}{4}$  empty, one is split and the sand is wet. Can't mix old and new so I think they have to move sand around for a month or so then get a new bin and sand. Bit of a debate on whether the new bin will be green- not an eyesore- or yellow- to stand out. They're soon muddy and overgrown anyway.

A big thick pile of papers was given to each councillor, this was their revised procedures, they're called Standing Orders. No one will ever look at them again except for one councillor and I expect he will rewrite them!

An email was received re dogs still going into the recreation field. Dogs are not allowed in there and there's no need for it. Please report anyone you see in there, there are plenty of woods around and don't forget you have to pick up there as well. People don't want it all over their shoes, there is a fine.

Somewhere in the middle of all this the visitors went to the pub but when I saw them later they said it had been interesting and might come again. The Parish meeting was discussed at length, nobody comes if they can help it. For those of you who have attended the idea is you give a report from your organisation to those in the room who show interest, but unfortunately it has become a bit more of a "thing" recently to find someone who is going and get them to read your report as well as their own. Remember last year the best bit was Joe Lawrence thought he'd missed it but actually came an hour early and had to sit through the lot. Different ways were discussed to make it more interesting for people, such as moving the chairs around, or having the tea in the middle, but no decision was reached as it seems to be a legal requirement to have the same format. Some councillors are very keen to get to know you, and you them.

Lastly the BIG news is that all Parish councillors are to have their own email addresses, so that parish secrets will not be divulged to their families by mistake. This was generally thought to be a good thing, just means certain men might have to learn to manage their own computers.

The next meeting will be at 7.00 in the parish hall on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. All welcome.

### St Dominick Tuesday Club AGM

The Tuesday Club continues to be successful, 2018 was well attended each month. Registered members total 37. This provides support and friendship for all. Eunice Hodge, club secretary, organised a programme of varied, interesting speakers and entertainers.

At refreshment time, the club provides valuable time for chatting with other members.

The Christmas lunch was cooked and served to 34 members by David and Shirley Floyd. Ann Pollard, a member, entertained on the piano playing Christmas Carols. A donation of £234 in vouchers was received from the Waitrose Community Matters fund; unfortunately the vouchers arrived too late for the 2018 festivities. Part was spent on the Birthday Party with the balance saved for Christmas 2019 meal. A Waitrose employee joined us for the Christmas meal and assisted in serving and clearing up.

There will be no Tuesday Club meeting in March, this is due to the hall being used for the St Pirans event in the evening.

**Date of next Tuesday Club Meeting; April 2<sup>nd</sup> 14.30.**

### TAMAR AREA PROSTATE SUPPORT (TAPS)

Purpose: To provide support to patients in the Tamar Valley area in the process of being diagnosed, treated or in the post-treatment phase of prostate cancer.

Whether you have just been diagnosed, are in the middle of treatment, or have come out on the other side, we would like to invite you to join a new support group. The group meetings will provide relevant information on prostate cancer, encourage supportive discussion with others in the same boat, and provide advice and support from those who have been before you.

The Group is very informal and its meetings are open to men and their partners/friends. Although TAPS was established by the TVH Practice and its Patient Group, the aim is for TAPS to be self-sufficient in its organisation and funding. TAPS itself decides how it wishes to develop.

It meets on the first Wednesday of the month. For some monthly meetings a specialist speaker may be arranged, such as a urology consultant, or an oncology practice nurse, who would speak briefly followed by a general discussion. On other occasions, the organiser would just start a conversation/discussion.

ANYONE WORRIED ABOUT PROSTATE CANCER OR INTERESTED IS WELCOME TO JOIN THE GROUP

NEXT MEETING: WED 6th MARCH 2019 AT 6.30 PM AT CALLINGTON HEALTH CENTRE

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### EASTER EGG HUNT



This year's Free Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday 20th April. Coffee and cakes available in the Hall and then the eggs will be hunted by the children. Doors open at 10am for coffee and cake, all free and the hunt will start somewhere around 10.30 am. The sponsors kindly paying for the eggs this year are parishioners, Nick Barber, Blue Fin yachts and we thank him and Kate for their generosity.

### Seasoned Hardwood

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### February 50/50

£90 Richard Warne

£15 Tony Farrant

### St. Dominick Church

**Worship@Ten** is the new name for the morning service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month! Anyone who has been coming along to the services run by our Worship Leaders, Tony and Ann, will know the slightly more modern style they have been using within morning praise – from March a new service booklet, called **Worship@Ten**, will be used for these two services, regardless of who takes them. The Holy Communion on the first Sunday and Morning Praise on the third Sunday will not be changed. We look forward to meeting you for **Worship@Ten**.

## Welcome to New Residents

Firstly an apology to residents who have read parts of this before. As the Parish News team are unable to put their fingers on articles in question we are starting again. There are several residents in the know who are not accustomed to all ways of St Dominic life, so this is to help them.

First of all you have to enter the village, three main ways in. The first one is to come in through Ashton, entering past the church. This is quite a good way once you know where you are but some beginners could find it a bit rural, narrow and windy but paradoxically it is the route where you are most likely to encounter a bus. If you are following it, that's good, if you meet it, perhaps not so handy.

Secondly, the main entrance, which is in from the roundabout off the A388 at Muslin Green Corner, which is the parish boundary and meets up with the "off the roundabout" road at the area formerly known as "postbox". Coming down the road there is a "slow" sign, followed by a bend and the white line disappears. This doesn't mean that you are out of all regulations, it means you are to go slower because the road isn't wide enough to divide with the said line. If you go too fast you are in danger of joining the people who have had their cars written off on this bend. (note- various suggestions have been put to the parish council regarding removal of this curve, but the main stumbling block is that the copse of trees over the hedge which they all wish to sacrifice actually belongs to someone).

Thirdly you can come in from the Cotehele end. Again windy and narrow but more inhabited. The downside here is there are about 300,000 visitors a year and the percentage who can reverse is low. There are also quite a few farm vehicles on this road, but they are excellent at reversing and if they can see you are making an effort they will pull back a bit. One tractor driver even offered to get out of his tractor and reverse a gentleman's car for him but there was no need because his wife did it for him. The road hedges sometimes get trimmed here in the summer because it's narrow, busy and bendy, in other words unsafe for blind driving. Otherwise hedge trimming is illegal after the end of February.

Sometimes you will find farm animals on the road. If they are lambs they will go back in the field on their own in time. If they are older sheep it's difficult to know what to do. You might think they are going to cause an accident, in which case you could walk to the nearest bend in the road to wave down the cars, the problem with this is that the sheep might have gone when you look again and you will feel stupid to have been outwitted by sheep, which are not the most intelligent creatures. Sheep will not hurt you. Roaming cattle are a bit different, the most dodgy are cows and calves. I don't think you should approach these at all, just report to a farmer, they will know whose they are. If there are no calves you can do detective work. You need to know if they are male or female. If they are female you can't just turn them into the nearest field because there could be a bull in there and there is no St Dominic home for unmarried mothers or mixed race offspring, so find a farmer if possible. If they are male they are probably bullocks, bulls and bullocks look different from the back end. If two look the same they're not bulls. From the front look for a ring in the nose of a bull. On consideration I think all cattle are too much for amateurs.

All poultry, just pass them by, they will go home on their own, or someone else's home.

Going back to the sheep if you see a sheep in the field, and it will be about this time of year generally when their fleeces are thick and heavy, and it's lying on its back and waving its legs in the air it is NOT having a nice time playing. It is trying not to die and you can save it. Do not take your dog into the field. If the gate's locked climb over it at the hinge end so you don't damage it, then get hold of the sheep's wool on its side and give it a heave, sort of rock it, so it can stand. Don't be afraid of hurting it, it won't hurt you, hopefully it will trot off in a most ungrateful manner. If it doesn't get up it could be dead already. Don't be too upset, a farmer will tell you that dying is a sheep's mission in life. You might need a bath afterwards.

You might want an allotment when you live here. There are smaller ones up opposite the school and bigger ones down towards Halton Quay, these all belong to the National Trust. Just because some might not look as if they're worked this possibly is not the case but the NT/Parish Council would be able to tell you. Sometimes you see notices saying "To Let" outside properties, in these cases apply in writing to the relevant authority. On a slightly different note you will hear, verbally, that X has half a bed to let. On no account do anything official but best to make enquiries at the pub to see what's on and assess whether this could suit you or not.

Local approach to courting is traditionally discussed as a male "perching", "roosting" or "nesting" somewhere so don't go thinking everyone has become a pigeon fancier. In the same way farmers when they go "saving" are not preaching, they are saving hay or similar, harvesting in other words, also John Deere is a tractor brand. When they are very busy you might hear one say that their backside has been glued to Dear John, just as long as you know and there will be no misunderstandings.

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## St. Dominick Singers

A super 17 people have already said they are interested in joining the new St. Dominick Singers! (as of 15<sup>th</sup> Feb)  
 A quick reminder ... We are looking for people who enjoy singing and would like to get together as a group and perform occasionally - maybe three or four times a year in St. Dominick Church – and, potentially, elsewhere too. As an experienced musician, and having taught and led singing groups before, Lloyd Davis has kindly offered to help make this happen. You do not need to have previous singing experience and there are no age limits, the most important thing is simply the enthusiasm to take part.

The initial meeting is set for Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm in the Sunday-School room (behind St. Dominick Church) If you want to join in with the super 17 – let Lloyd know to expect you - email Lloyd on [mlsidav@yahoo.com](mailto:mlsidav@yahoo.com) or call 01579-351620

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