



## St. Dennis Parish Council

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### April 2023

#### Date For Your Diary

#### **St. Dennis Parish Council Litter Pick & Spring Clean – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>. April 2023 10:00 a.m. - Midday**

The Parish Council are excited to announce that we are running a family event for the village Litter Pick. This will start from the ClayTAWC building at 10 am and will head towards the playing field and include all surrounding areas, within the village. We would love individuals and families to join us and be involved. We will be supplying free teas, coffees and soft drinks and there will be free pasties on offer for everyone to enjoy after the litter pick, on their return to ClayTAWC. For the children, there will be free goody bags for all that have participated in the litter pick and a certificate to say a big thank you for their good work. All equipment and bags are supplied .... See you there !!!

#### St Dennis Playing Field – Gate into Play Area

We are very aware that there has been an ongoing problem with one of the gates leading into the children's play area in the playing field. We are doing our best to resolve this as quickly as possible and are liaising with the contractor regularly to ensure that the gate is fixed and usable again, as soon as possible. For the time being, please be mindful of this problem when taking your children to the play area.

#### St Dennis Village Sign

A clean of the St Dennis Village Sign has recently been undertaken. The sign is now much clearer to read and looks more welcoming when people turn into the top of Trelavour Road. Our Parish Council team are always out and about to ensure that the village is kept in good order and that any "jobs" to be done are reported quickly and then resolved shortly thereafter.



#### Education Grants – Available for people within the Electoral Division of St Dennis & Nanpean

\*\* APPLY NOW – to see if you are eligible

Are you in need of help with the cost of equipment such as computers, printers and software? Do you need help with attending college/training, or help with your child's education costs? Have you considered applying for an Educational Grant? Grants available now. To obtain an application form, visit the St Dennis Parish Council Website: [stdennisparishcouncil.org.uk](http://stdennisparishcouncil.org.uk). If you would like to find out more before applying, please email: [office@stdennisparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:office@stdennisparishcouncil.org.uk) or call us on 01726 821700, where we can provide you with more information. APPLY NOW to see if we can help.

#### Dog Fouling in the Playing Field

We have been asking for the co-operation of everyone in the village to help us solve the problem of dog fouling in the playing field. We have put out many requests to dog owners to be more responsible but to date, this has not happened, and we are still having many complaints about the dog fouling in the playing field. This is a children's play area and the children are our priority. If your child comes into contact with dog faeces, this can cause many bacterial diseases and can be very harmful to them and can cause parasitic infections, vomiting, diarrhoea and anaemia. We are reaching out to everyone to please consider the playing field environment and to clean up after their dogs. Regrettably, if the dog fouling continues, the Parish Council will have to consider banning all dogs from the playing field which is something that we do not want to do and which will affect the responsible dog owners of the village. Therefore, please can everyone be mindful of their responsibilities. Thank you.

### **St Dennis Community Emergency Plan**

St Dennis Parish Council are drafting a Community Emergency Plan for the Parish. We hope this will never be needed, but in the event of major disruption to the village, such as extensive flooding, heavy snow or severe storm damage, there is a possibility that emergency services could be delayed or stretched to capacity, so we want to make sure that the community is prepared. Our aim is to ensure that we are able to deal with any such event, and whilst we can sit down and draft everything out on paper, we need help from you, the community, that could potentially be affected, to help us carry out these plans. We are looking for volunteers to form a response team and to help us canvas to ensure that the plan is robust, workable and practical. Would you be able to give up some of your free time to assist in this important project? If your answer is yes, please contact the Parish Council office. Any help would be most welcome.

### **St Dennis Parish Council – Councillor Vacancy**

Don't forget – if you are interested in helping your community on a voluntary basis and want to make a difference to the area that you live in, we would be interested in hearing from you.

Please contact the Parish Council office or visit our website: [www.stdennisparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.stdennisparishcouncil.org.uk) to find out more.