

Clerks report for Parish Council Meeting on Monday 10th February 2025



Updates on actions from January 2025 meeting

Sweeping/ploughing of Tregye Road

Clerk has chased up Biffa, they will have a look at Tregye Road but if there is too much mulch for the sweeper they may need to speak to Cormac regarding further work.

Youth Engagement CAP project

Clerk has replied to Link Officer to express Parish Council's interest in being involved in a future project.

Pensions Discretionary Policy

The Clerk had updated the policy following the decision at the December meeting and sent this to the Pensions team at Cornwall Council.

GWR Funding

Bid had been completed and submitted, outcome should be known in March.

Devoran Phonebox repairs

Cllr Brickell is going to patch up the door so it is useable.

Supporting information on items on the 10th February 2025 agenda

Item 10 – Devon & Cornwall Police Report

December 2024 – 7 crimes in the Parish

Carnon Downs x 4 (3 violent and sexual offence, 1 anti social behaviour)

Feock x 3 (2 violent and sexual offence, 1 criminal damage/arson)

Full crime figures can be found online [Chacewater, Feock, Kea and Kenwyn | Police.uk](https://www.police.uk)

Item 12 – Interim Planning Policy Position Statement Consultation

Cornwall Council are seeking comments on their Interim Planning Policy Statement, the deadline is 21st February 2025. The policy can be viewed online [Cornwall Interim Policy Position Statement - Cornwall Council](#)

Item 13 - Point Orchard Septic Tank issue

Update received from homeowner regarding progress with getting information from solicitor about right to use septic tank on Parish Council land, currently awaiting this information. Environmental Health spoken to and email response to questions raised circulated to all Councillors.

Item 14 – CCF COMMUNITY LEVELLING UP FUNDING

Council to consider if they wish to apply for further funding, the project detail/outline needs to be agreed at the Parish Council meeting if they do wish to apply, due to short timescales. We have received CCF funding previously for the Active Feock Feasibility Study and also the benches we have recently installed were funded by CCF.

There is now further funding available and it has been suggested that something that could be applied for is bike racks across the parish and also the production of the Feock Strolls walk leaflet which are both identified as outcomes in the Feasibility Study.

The summary of the funding criteria is below (copied from Cornwall Council's website)

Community Capacity Funding

This fund supports community organisations to develop projects or project ideas with grants of between £1,000 and £24,999. Organisations will then be in a stronger position to access wider funding opportunities.

Examples of work that could be funded by the Community Capacity programme include:

- *feasibility studies*
- *business plans*
- *architects' drawings*
- *concept plans*
- *other professional support to determine the concept of your project*
- *community engagement programmes leading to the development of a wider project, including piloting community project ideas*
- ***small capital items that will result in the increase in community activity.***

Full details available online [Community Capacity Fund - Cornwall Council](#)

Open for applications between February and November 2025 and applications will close when all money is spent so time is of the essence. Funds need to be spent by end of December 2025.

Item 15 – Energy Audit

At time of writing awaiting receipt, should be received by the end of February.

Item 16 – Grant to St Feock Church for Churchyard Maintenance

Currently the Parish Council give a grant of £420 each to St Feock Church and Devoran Church to help with maintenance of the Churchyard. A request has been received below to increase this from St Feock Church (copied from their letter).

This is the application for the 2024 annual Churchyard Grant which the Council has maintained at the same level for many years. As you are aware property maintenance costs continue to escalate, and the churchyard is no exception. The churchyard is maintained to a high standard. In 2024 churchyard expenditure amounted to £4982. As the local precept continues to rise perhaps the Council would consider an increase to the annual grant? Maintaining the church grounds is an important amenity for the Feock villagers and the Church ground provides quiet space to reflect on loved ones.

Item 17 – Co-option to Devoran and Feock ward vacancies

No applications for these vacancies received to date.