

St Blaise Town Council

Annual Report

2016/ 2017

Introduction

Welcome to St Blaise Town Council's Annual Report for 2016/17.

First, I would like to thank all the Town Councillors for their sterling work over the last 12 months.

I would also like our two Cornwall Councillors, Doug Scrafton and Roy Taylor. The Town Council has a new Councillor Jenny Moore who joined us after the resignation of Councillor Doug Scrafton. I would like to thank Doug for all the work he has done over the years for the people of St. Blazey whilst on the Town Council and he continues to do as a Cornwall Councillor for Par and St Blazey Gate.

Our Community Warden, Dave Pearce, continues to carry out excellent work. St. Blazey is looking better and brighter each year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the sponsors of the planters, namely St. Blazey Service Station, Walter Bailey, Holmbush Windows and The Bridal Sweet.

Due to the purchase of the Police Station for £27,400, the extension to the Burrows Centre has been put on hold. The Roundhouse and the turntable have been put on the English Heritage 'at risk' list. A dedicated group of people are now carrying out a feasibility study.

The Neighbourhood Plan is progressing slower than at first anticipated. Solar lights in Piggy Alley have been repaired and are working well. Brooks Corner continues to experience flooding, but plans are in the pipe line to rectify this.

We await the devolution of King Edward Gardens. A joint committee between St Blaise and Tywardreath and Par has been formed to work on Emergency plans, to achieve this, the Flood Plan is being updated. Discussions about S106 monies for Carlyon Bay are still ongoing.

Wain Homes won their appeal for 44 homes adjacent to Mount Crescent, now they have put in a contentious application for 190 homes to the rear of Porth Meadow and Manor View. There is considerable opposition from both residents and the Town Council.

St. Blazey has joined the Waste Incentive Scheme, encouraging our residents to recycle more. The Community Watch Group meet with the Police every 3 months. A poppy wreath was laid on Remembrance Sunday on behalf of the people of St, Blazey. Due to poor attendance last year, the Carol Concert has been rescheduled to the afternoon of 4th December and at an earlier time of 4.00 pm.

Councillor Roy Taylor kindly offered the Council free Christmas trees and after adding the lights, they looked glorious. We support the Big Lunch, which this year will be held on 12th June and will also be celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday.

Last but not least, thanks must go to our Town Clerk, Gaynor, for all her excellent work over the year.

Finance

Set out below is a summary of the Council's income and expenditure for the financial year 2016/17.

Income	£	Expenditure	£
Precept	74,000	General Admin	47,396
Alexander Hall	7,780	Warden Scheme	11,071
Vat refund	5,194	Community Assets	13,063
Other	22,280	Donations	623
		Alexander Hall	6,826
		Neighbourhood Planning	7,300
		Events	638
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	109,254		86,917

Attendance at Meetings

	Full Council	Other
Cllr J Anderson	12	60
Cllr A Seel	7	5
Cllr G Allen	5	8
Cllr R Blackie	10	5
Cllr G Miller	9	13
Cllr J Moore	6	8
Cllr A Putt	10	1
Cllr R Taylor	11	22
Cllr J Taylor	9	12
Cllr S Wheeler	11	8

Councillor R Taylor attended many other meetings on behalf of the Town Council while also representing Cornwall Council. Councillor Moore joined the Council part way through the year.

Councillors Responsibilities

June Anderson -	Par Liaison Group St Blazey Community Watch Burrows Board of Directors Planning Committee St Blazey Reclaimed New Pavement Steering Group New Community Centre Steering Group Carlyon Bay Development Representative Employment Appeals Panel Cornwall Community Flood Forum PL24 Community Association Par Skatepark Steering Group. Biscovey Board of Trustees. Grow St Blazey 2 nd Internal Verifier
Roy Taylor	Planning Committee New pavement Steering Group New Community Centre Steering Group Burrows Board of Directors Par & St Blazey Community Flood Group Cornwall Community Flood Forum Fourways Youth Club Employment Appeals Panel Emergency Planning Group Grow St Blazey Eden Community Geothermal Liaison Group St Blazey Community Watch
George Allen-	Employment Appeals Panel
Rob Blackie-	Employment Appeals Panel

George Miller - Internal Verifier.
Community Network Area Representative
Employment Committee
Burrows Board of Directors
CALC representative
Luxulyan Valley Partnership

Jenny Moore- Employment Committee
Cornwall Community Flood Forum
Grow St Blazey
Eden Liaison
Emergency Planning Group
Historic Environment & Heritage Representative
PL24 Community Association

Amos Putt - Footpath/Bridleway/ Cycle ways
Hands Together
New Pavement Steering Group
Cornwall Community Flood Forum
Employment Appeals Panel

Adrian Seel - Planning Officer
New Pavement Steering Group
Employment Committee

Jenny Taylor- Planning Committee
Employment Appeals Panel
Burrows Board of Directors
Local Transport Representative
St Blazey Reclaimed
New Community Centre Steering Group

Stuart Wheeler Press Officer
Employment Appeals Panel
New Community Centre Steering Group
Community Network Area Representative
St Blazey Community Watch
Emergency Planning Group

The Council can be contacted on 01726 816595 or E-mail townclerk@stblaisetc.co.uk or write to: - Town Clerk, St Blaise Town Council, Alexander Hall, Middleway, St Blazey PL24 2JH. The office is open to the public Monday, Wednesday and Fridays between 9.00am and 1.00pm

POLICE REPORT

St. Blaise Town Council
Police Crime Figures
May 2015 – April 2016

<u>Offence</u>	<u>Recorded Crime 2015/16</u>	<u>Recorded Crime 2014/15</u>	<u>Recorded Crime Difference</u>
Violence with Injury	33	35	-5.7%
Violence without Injury	48	28	71.4%
Rape	1	1	0%
Other sexual offences	6	4	50%
Robbery	0	1	-100%
Burglary Dwelling	12	6	100%
Burglary non Dwelling	9	9	0%

<u>Offence</u>	<u>Recorded Crime 2015/16</u>	<u>Recorded Crime 2014/15</u>	<u>Recorded Crime Difference</u>
Vehicle Offences	8	12	-33.3%
Shoplifting	9	13	-30.8%
Other Theft	29	41	-29.3%
Criminal Damage	54	57	-5.3%
Public Order Offences	9	15	-40%
Possession of Weapons	1	0	-
Trafficking of Drugs	1	1	0%
Possession of Drugs	8	7	14.3%
Other Offences	6	3	100%
TOTAL:	234	233	-0.4%

<u>Incidents Recorded</u>	<u>2014/15</u>	<u>2013/14</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Anti-Social Behaviour	167	195	-14.4%
Crime not Recorded	7	6	16.7%
Crime Recorded	111	99	12.1%
Public Safety	451	421	7.1%
Transport	118	95	24.2%
TOTAL:	854	816	-4.7%

Crime figures have stayed similar for 2015/2016 compared to 2014/2015, with only a 0.4% increase (1 crime). Incidents of violence without injury have increased although there have been decreases in most other crime categories, especially public order offences and thefts.

List of sitting Councillors

Councillor George Allen	6 Bay View, The Mount, St Blazey, Cornwall PL24 2BY 815707
Councillor June Anderson	37 Rose Hill, St Blazey, Cornwall PL24 2LQ 813995
Councillor Rob Blackie	3 Ash Grove, Biscovey, Par, Cornwall PL24 2HE 813273
Councillor George Miller	3 Kilhallon Woodlands, PAR PL24 2RJ 815179
Councillor Jenny Moore	1 Meadow Drive St Blazey, PL24 2HL 816849
Councillor Amos Putt	55 Polgrean Place, St Blazey PAR PL24 2LH 815444
Councillor Adrian Seel	145 Landreath Place, St Blazey, PAR PL24 2LA 815829
Councillor Jenny Taylor	40 Chyandor Close, St Blazey, PL24 2LP 816867
Councillor Roy Taylor	Palm Garden House, Tywardreath Highway, Par PL24 2RW 816112
Councillor Stuart Wheeler	56 Moorland Road, Par, PL24 2PB 815370