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Introduction by the Chair of St Blaise Town Council. Councillor June Anderson.

There is only one way in which I could begin this message, that is by offering warm congratulations to Liz Davies and her colleagues at St Blazey Reclaimed and everyone else involved, for their efforts relating to the Town to Tide event in August. It was quite simply outstanding. I know that many residents of St Blaise either participated or watched. Like me, they will know just what a wonderful day it was. Unlike me, however, they may not realise just how much time, effort, work went into this resounding success.

People often tell us that they would like to see more community events taking place. Town to Tide is evidence that these can happen, provided that people are

willing not just to want, but also to help make them a reality.

While I am talking about things that are happening locally, let me remind you that the coming months will see our annual Remembrance Day service at St Blaise Church, the Town Council's annual Carol Concert which is followed by mulled wine and hog roast at St Blazey Football Club and the St Blaise Feast Week celebrations. Further details about all of these can be obtained from the Town Clerk, or from the posters that will be displayed throughout the area.

We are now immersed in the work of preparing our Neighbourhood Plan. We already have a great deal of information sought from what was already said in connection with the Town Plan, the Big Local and other events, about what you would like to see in the Neighbourhood Plan. But it is something that can only be of value if we can demonstrate that we have the views and comments of as many of you as possible. There will be some contentious and difficult issues to address. We will therefore be looking for new ways to ask for comments, and hope that you will feel free to give them. If we get it wrong because you choose to remain silent, then that would be a pity for all of us.

By the time you read this, it will seem a very long time ago that the Par Bay Local Partnership held its first Big Giveaway. This is the way in which the first part of the

£1million pounds given to this area has been distributed. And it has meant that the decision on funding has been very firmly in the hands of the community, rather than some remote organisation upcountry. Have a look at their website (www.parbaybiglocal.org.uk) for more information about what has happened – and about how you might get some financial help for your organisation, too.

The Town Council has obtained Quality Status and as a result we are able to carry out additional functions, there has been a lot of work involved proving our worth but we think the benefits will become apparent.

June Anderson

St Blazey Fountain

The Fountain is now operational, we don't know how long it has not worked for but during the Town Plan consultation process, many of you said you would like to see it working again. The gardens around the fountain are also looking very nice.

Flooding

Despite heavy flooding over recent months and significant flooding throughout the country, no problems have been reported in this area. The newly established

Cornwall Community Flood Forum has received funding from Awards for All, which will support our own Par and St Blazey Flood Group. The money will be spent on training for the volunteer wardens, equipment, newsletters and a web-site.

Jubilee Celebrations

All those that attended the Jubilee celebrations had an enjoyable time and the Town Council would like to express their thanks to St Blazey Brownies, Biscovey School, the Eden Project and especially St Blazey Football Club for all their assistance with the events.

Polling Stations

The Police and Crime Commissioners Elections will be taking place on Thursday 15th November. Residents of Mountlea Country Park, Porth Meadow and some residents from Old Roselyon Estate and Par Lane have had their polling station changed from Gott Hall to the Burrows Centre.

Cornwall Councils One Stop Shop

The Cornwall Council mobile service now meets at Alexander Hall on Monday afternoons between 2.00pm and 4.00pm. The Tuesday service is no longer operational.

Middleway Patient Participation Group

The Doctors from Middleway Surgery have joined other practices in the UK in forming a Patient Participation Group. It is a charity set up to promote patient participation. The charity has grown steadily and is increasingly accepted as an integral part of modern general practice for providing a participative service to a local community.

Patient participation groups work in partnership with their practices to help patients take responsibility for their health, contribute to the continuous improvement of services and quality of care, foster improved communication between practice and patients and provide practical support for the practice and help implement change.

At a previous meeting the Middleway Patient Participation Group "MPPG" was set up and the group are anxious to extend its membership. Further details of the MPPG are available from the surgery or ringing the practice manager on 01726 813840.

Cornwall Council – Core Strategy – Neighbourhood Planning.

Cornwall Council is preparing a core strategy document which in broad terms will set out the council's overall approach to future development and will provide policies

to guide future planning decisions. It will set out the proposed planning strategy for Cornwall for the next 20 years.

It proposes a housing growth figure of 48,000 homes with a development pattern that focuses on the main towns and villages. The approach is to be flexible and varies across Cornwall depending on the different issues facing different towns.

More local issues will be derived locally and that is why St Blaise Town Council felt it important that a neighbourhood plan be written for the area. A neighbourhood plan steering group has been set up.

All residents of the St Blaise Parish are invited to the steering group meetings and are welcome to join the group if they wish. Details of the meetings can be found on the St Blaise Town Council web-site at www.stblaisetowncouncil.co.uk. Notes from all previous meetings are also on the site along with a map of the proposed area.

The group has so far appointed a Chairman and Vice Chairman, agreed terms of reference and made an application under part 2 (5) (1) of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 for the designation of a Neighbourhood Area. The area is to be the entire parish of St Blaise.

St Blazey Community Watch

St Blazey Community Watch attended by members of the Town Council, the Police, residents associations and interested residents continues to meet regularly. The main focus is currently anti-social behaviour and speeding traffic, another issue causing concern is Dog Fouling. The next meeting is at Alexander Hall on Thursday 22nd November.

Ocean and Police Surgeries.

Rebecca and Jamie are carrying out a police surgery at the Burrows Centre in conjunction with Steve Williams from Ocean housing on certain Wednesday afternoons from 1.30pm – 3.30pm. It gives people from the local community a chance to bring any concerns or issues they may have to the attention of the police.

Town Council

St Blaise Town Council meet the last Thursday of every month at Alexander Hall at 7.30pm. Members of the electorate are invited to attend.

The Clerk can be contacted on 01726 816595 or E-mail townclerk.stblaise@virgin.net or write to :- Town Clerk, St Blaise Town Council, Alexander Hall, Middleway, St Blazey PL24 2JH.