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Points of Interest

- **Weekly planning list:** A volunteer s needed to study the weekly planning list and identify any applications in the surrounding areas that may have impact on flood risk to the parish.
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Staffing Committee Update

- The staffing committee have accepted the resignation of the assistant to the clerk and wish them well in their new role as Clerk at their new council.
 - The recruitment process has begun for filling the role which has been amended to reflect the nature of the work. The role will now be called Parish Council support Officer.
Closing date for the role is 10th November with interviews being conducted on the 19th November. However, with the business of the month of December it is unlikely the successful candidate will not start until January 2026
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Facilities Working Group Update

- Booking both community and commercial continue to trickle in for the Community Hub. Cleaning is being organised as required.
 - Volunteers are required to be key holders for bookings out of office hours. At present we can not support all booking due to lack of key holders.
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Youth Engagement Working Group Update

- Chips and Chill continue to be successful
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WAAF Site Working Group Update

- See attached business case
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Love Portreath Update

- See Attached report
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Agenda Items

10. **To receive the status report received from the Mining Villages Regeneration Group**, authorise any action and consider associated expenditure
 - See attached report

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Planning Report

Applications for consideration:

PA25/07732 | Proposed Porch at 12 Glenfeadon Terrace, Portreath, TR16 4JX | 12 Glenfeadon Terrace Portreath Redruth Cornwall TR16 4JX

5 Day Notices:

Appeals:

PA24/07924 | Retrospective application on a timber structure used as an Annexe. | 2 Rookery Cottages Mile Hill Porthtowan Truro Cornwall TR4 8TY

Approved:

Refused:

Closed Advice Given:

Other:

Donation Request

(confidential personal data redacted)

Correspondence (confidential personal data redacted)

Received 7th October 2025

Dear Clerk,

I run the Doggone Shame campaign in St Ives and across Cornwall, keeping residents informed about dogs-on-beaches restrictions and the renewal of Cornwall Council's Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO).

I'm compiling a record of how town and parish councils are responding to the current PSPO review. For example, St Ives Town Council unanimously supported retaining the current restrictions, and I'm reporting outcomes from other councils in the same way.

Could you confirm whether Portreath Parish Council has formally discussed the Dogs on Beaches PSPO, and if so, what position or recommendation was agreed?

This information will be reported publicly on my campaign page so residents can see the decisions being taken locally.

Many thanks,



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Doggone Shame St Ives / Cornwall

Response sent: 08/10/25, directing MOP to minutes from 1st September meeting where the council formulated the response to this consultation.

Received 12th October 2025 in copy to Cornwall Highways

Dear Jack,

I hope this email finds you well.

In response to our 900+ resident petition, Council committed to reviewing a number of speed limit reductions in and around Porthtowan as part of the 20pmh roll out per email below.

As we understand the timeline, St Agnes Parish will be part of the 20pmh roll out in 2026. As such decisions relating to Porthtowan must be imminent. So as we get closer to this deadline, we thought you might now be able to provide more details as to process and timing?

Could you please answer the following questions?

Will Porthtowan be included in the 20mph roll out and if so when will this be enacted ?

As part of that roll out, when will a decision be made on the commitments to review additional speed limit reductions as laid out in Council's email below?

What process will the consideration of these additional speed limit reductions follow? Which group will decide, when will they meet, who has final decision and can we present to this group?

Thank you

Received 21/10/25 in copy to the Environment Agency

To whom it may concern,

We are the owners of [REDACTED], situated [REDACTED]. We wish to express our concern regarding the recent proposals that have been circulated among residents of Tregea Terrace.

From the information shared to date, it appears that the details of the proposed scheme have changed several times depending on who has been consulted. This inconsistency has unfortunately created a sense of uncertainty and a lack of confidence among local residents.

As long-term residents and invested homeowners, we feel that our concerns have, at times, been overlooked or dismissed. Tregea Terrace is a close-knit community of individuals who share a deep interest in both the stream and the wider wellbeing of the village. We believe that transparent communication and consistent information are essential if the community is to properly understand and support any future development.

We therefore request that all affected residents be provided with a clear, consistent, and up-to-date outline of the proposed scheme, along with an opportunity for open discussion before any decisions are finalised. I have outlined some of our concerns below.

1. Increased flooding

The raising of the level of the stream will increase localised flooding along Tregea Terrace. Currently when the stream height increases and in high flow rainfall, the road along Tregea Terrace floods. When the stream recedes the water slowly drains away. There is currently poor drainage which isn't maintained regularly. Your proposal will increase the stream height, considerably, by 400mm. This will mean the localised flooding will increase considerably and the water will not be able to drain away thus flooding our gardens and in high rainfall our homes.

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In addition our cliffside back gardens currently drain well as the ground is very permeable. The water drains under properties and gardens and eventually joins the stream to disipate. The introduction of sheet piles in your design will interfere with this natural drainage route and again add to the flooding of our properties. All in Tregea Terrace have bought, or rent properties with no current flood risk. Your scheme will change this, and cause regular increased flooding for the Terrace. This increased flood risk will extend to our properties, not just the access road as is currently the case.

2. Water quality

The current water quality in the stream is excellent and supports a large array of wildlife. The introduction of the new water, which is of poorer quality, minerals from mining and farmer run off, will at best seriously affect the wildlife and aquatic life and at worst kill the current wildlife living in and around the stream.

3. Sewage

We understand the Portreath CSO when discharged will not enter the stream, which is a relief.

However the Sunnyside and Tolskithey CSO if discharged will enter the stream and flow passed houses and onto the beach. These CSOs are discharged by SWW and data shows they do currently discharge into the water entering Portreath. These CSOs are likely to be discharged more frequently as they are now receiving outfalls from phase one of the Tolgus development in Redruth and will soon receive more outfall from the next phase of this development and other developments in Redruth. There are plans for hundreds of new houses in Redruth and the surrounding areas which feed into the SWW current system that flows through to Portreath, which will increase the amount of water entering the system and increase the likelihood of discharges during high rainfall resulting in sewage regularly discharging into the stream and onto Portreath beach.

4. Wildlife

The removal of all the vegetation for construction of your project would be devastating. The majority of the greenery is native, such as hawthorn and supports an abundance of wildlife. Replacing with grasses and bushes as described would not provide the same extensive habitat for wildlife.

5. Raising the height of the stream

Raising the height of the stream and building a high retaining wall will effectly be a raised aqua duct running along the lower part of the stream to the beach. Should this be breached or damaged (large lorries regularly access this narrow road), Tregea Terrace will flash flood in minutes due to the massive increase in water being channeled down the stream. This is an increase in flood risk and concern for those living in the Terrace.

6. Privacy and protection

Properties along Beach road and Tregea currently enjoy privacy and protection from the weather due to the greenery along the stream. Tregea Terrace is used as a walkway to the beach by a large number of residents and visitors as it provides protection from the main road and is pleasant to walk along. The proposed scheme will remove this privacy and protection provided by the established Hawthorn trees.

7. St Blazey project

The EA team refer us to the St Blazey project as a positive example of the work the EA have done to help improve flooding in communities.

Looking at your own promotional material and Google maps of the area the difference is staggering. The stream in Portreath runs directly through the centre of properties that date back to 1800s with tarmac roads either side of the lower end near the beach. St Blazey appears to have a lot more green areas so that

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any run off can soak away. Portreath is urban and the Tregea side slopes towards the stream, your proposed project for Portreath means the run off from our properties will be trapped and our flood risk will be significantly increased as the area is tarmac not green like St Blazey (we do not have a park/football pitch/fishing lakes adjacent to our stream) The use of the St Blazey project as a positive example for Portreath displays the lack of understanding of the exact detail of the terrain and current waterflow next to the lower part of the stream in Portreath. This is a serious issue that needs to be addressed.

Kind Regards,

[Redacted Signature]



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