

Chairmans Report April 13th. 2026

1. I attended the quarterly MVRG meeting at Stithians where we were given a presentation from the Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator. Apart from the obvious watching over the security of your areas, it was interesting how much wider aspects that the scheme offers. These include access the grant funding for community project, input into the safety and emergency planning and youth engagement projects for the 16-24 tear olds. Further information can be found at www.ourwatch.org.uk
2. Whilst at the MVRG meeting, SWWA were also holding public meetings with Stithians residents about the sewage overflow incidents there this Winter and I took the opportunity to speak with the SWWA Asset Manager about our own situation. He gave a personal estimate of when the Bridge upgrade works would be carried out. This will hopefully be confirmed during the meeting highlighted in item 3 below.
3. By the time of the parish meeting we will have had an online meeting with SWWA about to continuing high frequency of storm overflows from the Bridge Pumping Station and what their plan is the reduce these to the government decreed maximum of 10 p.a. by 2030. An update will be given at the parish meeting.
4. I had a long discussion with solicitors Leigh Day who are bringing a class action against SWWA for the illegal use of storm overflows and resultant pollution. This will be discussed as a full agenda item.