Chairmans Report November 2026

1. The clerk has forwarded all councillors a link to the relevant page on the EA website which gives a lot of information including responses to the FAQs that have been raised. The planning application for this will probably one of the biggest the parish council will ever need to consider. Therefore, I encourage all councillors to thoroughly read this to fully understand the proposed scheme. We have received a number of letters from concerned parishioners (and will maybe receive more) about the scheme asking that we fully scrutinise & evaluate the proposal. **However, based upon advice from the ICO we have been asked to destroy all copies of these letters due to personal data being included in them. Whilst we as a council have acknowledged receipt, we must not hold on to any copies – either hard copy or electronic.**

2. Along with Lucy and Julia I attended the CALC AGM and conference at Wadebridge. A very informative day, but as ever it throws up another joblist for us all. There were a number of conference presentations and then some subject specific workshops. Personally I sat in on the workshops for Civility & Respect and Data Protection for Councils. Lucy & Julia covered those on Audit Horrors, Artificial Intelligence and Hybrid meetings.

3. I attended the quarterly CAP meeting at Gwinnear. Topics covered included updates from the Community Resilience, Children & Young People and the Housing & Planning work groups. A partner presentation on ASB was given by the CC Community Safety Officer along with the ASB workers from Camborne and Cornwall Council. There is now a short "Lets Talk" survey on the CC website about ASB and everyone is asked to complete this with their experiences. There were also briefings from the NHS ICB and Cornwall Council officer from Resources & Performance and Wellbeing & public Health.

4. I contacted the SWWA representative to try and find out what progress they were having to reduce the sewage spills. His answer was as follows:-

The modelling work is still ongoing and has not yet been completed as I am informed the modelling of this catchment is complex. As a result, any final solutions or improvement options will not be fully scoped until the modelling has concluded.

The regulatory deadline for reducing spills from Bridge Pumping Station remains 31 March 2030, and this continues to be the date by which we are legally required to deliver the necessary improvements.

5. I have volunteered to become a Councillor Advocate to the Devon & Cornwall Police. This is a scheme set up by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner to better the communication with local communities over local policing matters.

6. We have been successful in an application for a free defibrillator from the BHF. One of the conditions of this is that we encourage as many people as possible to complete their online training so as to know when and how to use a defib. I would encourage all councillors and parishioners to undergo this short 15 minute online training.