

## Youth Engagement

No updates. Still hoping to recruit a PIC member. Next meeting has been booked for Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

## Community Junior Netball – It's a Wrap....Or is it?



The Community Junior Netball Sessions, which were funded by the Community Chest, Portreath Parish Council and donations, has now come to an end.

It has been a fantastic project, recruiting 8 volunteers, with the youngest being aged 19 and including a qualified Umpire, with 35 years' experience. All our volunteers have netball experience and are either currently playing or had done so in the past. Our volunteers, have been fully committed to this project, turning up every week, to deliver planned sessions, and have been passionate about the improvement the young people have made, over the course of the project. Thank you to: Our Volunteers. Photo below).

Overall, the project reached 42 young people, predominantly from Camborne, Pool, Illogan and Redruth.

The project has had support from some key organisations. Portreath Primary School has loaned out bibs, balls and cones, every single week of the project. Without this equipment, the project could not have run – Thank you to Portreath Primary School for your support!

The project has gained support 'in principle' from Illogan Parish Council & Camborne Town Council and will be going in front of Redruth Town Council in June.

During this project, we have worked closely with representatives from Netball Cornwall and Lastonets Netball Club. Both organisations have been really supportive, especially in the early stages of the project. A Lastonets Coach, also attended many sessions, to support the younger volunteers (who are members of Lastonet). Due to this partnership, two of our 15-year-olds, were given the opportunity to trial Lastonet Senior team, and have since joined the club, training weekly.

Our partnership between Lastonets and the Community Junior Netball project has given a sustainable opportunity, to try and gain more funding, to deliver more netball to young people in this area. Our volunteers have decided to set up a Junior Netball group, which sits under Lastonets. Thank you to the representatives from Lastonets, for this amazing partnership opportunity.

During the course of the sessions, we asked young people for some feedback, which focused on their wellbeing and the impact of the netball sessions. We asked the young people at the start of the project, in the middle and at the final session, some questions about anxiety, fitness levels and confidence. The data is tricky to compare from start to end, as we did have some young people leave and new young people join, and it was all anonymous. However, the data does give us a rough overview of the positive impact the sessions had. We did ask young people to express in their own words, what they enjoyed/didn't enjoy about the sessions, however, this was tricky to get with peers looking at each other's answers and in the short time we had, before the end of the session.

Another unexpected outcome was that 1 young person used these sessions, as part of their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. They attended every session, and by session 5, they helping to get the equipment ready for the start of the session.

We have received some positive comments from parents, via email and both parents and young people have verbally expressed their anticipation for more sessions in the future.

As reported in previous meetings, we have been in contact with Active Cornwall. Due to circumstances beyond our control, these communications are ongoing, and as yet, no commitment has been made by Active Cornwall to take the project forward. However, the volunteers are still very positive and will begin to look at other funding avenues, to enable them to fund a venue and equipment for future delivery.

The volunteers have been proactive in finding a space at Camborne Science & International Academy (CSIA). This has been provisionally booked for Tuesdays at 6pm - 7.30pm. Future sessions, it is hoped, will run for 1.5hrs as it was found 1hr wasn't enough. However, this all depends on being able to fund it. We are grateful to CSIA, for their understanding with this booking.



**Dog Fouling**

Due to current parish council capacity, this project hasn't any updates. If you are interested in volunteering and assisting with this project, please contact Vicki Webb – [vickiwebb.ppc@gmail.com](mailto:vickiwebb.ppc@gmail.com)

**Warm Welcome Portreath – Community Catch Ups**

Due to a recent decline in numbers and the reduced capacity of parish councillors to deliver these sessions, the difficult decision was taken to cancel the Community Catch Ups. This will be reviewed in September 2024 – if this could please go onto the agenda, it would be appreciated.

**Police Liaison Group (PLG) – 02/05/24**

The PLG Meeting have changed slightly and now have guest speakers in to discuss different areas of Devon & Cornwall Police, plus covering their current strategies and focus.

This meeting, we met the Domestic Abuse Inspector. They gave councillors an overview of the team and how they operate. There were some projects and websites that were mentioned, that would be good to share on PPC, for parishioners to access.

We also met the Tri-Services Safety Officer. They introduced the new Tri-Service which has started in Camborne and explained that it is a collaboration of the Fire, Police and NHS. This new service will cover Camborne Town, but if they have capacity, will also cover up to Redruth. They showed the map of all the Tri-Services in Cornwall, and explained that the hope is that eventually, they will work alongside all GP surgeries across Cornwall, of which there are 59.

The Sector gave an overview of the current priorities: Dangerous Drugs; Violence against Women and Girls; Serious Crime; Exploitation and Car Safety (Community Speed Watch). Louise advised that a lot of work has been happening at the Control Centre and there have been significant improvements on call waiting times to 101. They have asked councils to continue to promote the reporting of any crime on-line or via 101.

20MPH Roll Out – the community link officer Kneale advised that this has not been halted, and construction and delivery is on its way.

I did ask how do the Mining Villages fit in with the Police strategy, which is very CPIR focused. The Sector Inspector understood the concern, but explained that all police work is evidenced based, which means more resources are put into the higher crime areas. A new Neighbourhood Support Team is being created, to cover all areas, to get the police more visible on the streets.

**Next Meeting: Friday 19 July 2024**