

PORTREATH ANNUAL REPORT 2025

Good Evening and can I start off by thanking the Surf Life Saving Club for hosting the event this year and providing such a scenic view, plus all the groups and organisations for making this Parish so resident focussed and even making residents of Illogan welcome since my wife attends the art group in the Church Hall on Wednesday afternoons with another two ladies from Illogan.

In some ways it appears similar to Ground Hog Day as some issues have shown up on more than one report, including the issues at the top of Lighthouse House after the removal of the caravans last year. The process has commenced again and various agencies have become involved in trying to clear the area.

It was unfortunate that the residents had to face another closure of Treglea Hill so that the two sections could be resurfaced last year due to abandoned vehicles last year. The traffic regulation order is now in place to enforce the new parking restrictions and I hope that the Enforcement Officers and Police will take the appropriate action in 2025. In 2021 I did manage to get extra visits for the last four years from Enforcement as the Parish Council were previously paying for extra hours, which of course the residents were paying for as it was coming out of the precept and I hope that this will continue after the May elections this year.

Last year I thanked Gwel an Mor for their support in directing visitors and implementing speed limits along their privately owned Feadon Lane and for this year to thank them for getting Google to alter the main entrance to the new road, however I can say that I haven't received any complaints for a year now.

The pedestrian build out is now in situ to provide easier access to the toilets with a drop kerb on both sides of the road and of course the Parish Council office is now complete which provides easier access to staff and gives Lucy her living room back and of course there is also the new community room.

Portreath Harbour has undergone repair work and there is further work to be undertaken because of the recent storms. The harbour is owned by Cornwall Council and is one of those that constantly costs more to maintain than is obtained in dues. There were discussions to acquire The Waterfront whilst it was on the market to enhance the harbour facilities, however the costs of purchase and demolition etc made it uneconomical in the current climate.

My Community Chest this year was spent locally by match funding the defib outside the new Parish Office, the missing Footpath Signs that I was informed about will be erected before the end of April in Primrose Terrace and New Walk, plus a contribution towards the sensory garden for the Primary School.

I was hoping to be able to bring you an update on the reopening of Heartlands, however as there is still work to be done and as we go into the pre-election period tomorrow, there will now be no announcement until after 2nd May.

Can I thank you all for your support over the last four years and depending what happens in the election, hopefully I will see you next year.