

KILKHAMPTON PARISH NEWS

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The team also need help with printing, not necessarily every month but to lend a helping hand - anyone interested please contact Martin Cross (details on page 3)

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Many apologies to Jeanette and Jennie for missing this out last month!

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EDITORIAL



Dydh da pubonan,

It's been a bit of a chore to edit the parish news this month. We use a programme called Serif Page Plus which has now been discontinued so is no longer regularly updated, although it can still be downloaded. The programme 'doesn't like' some things (my term not theirs!) – maybe certain fonts, or some documents – and it generally reacts by shutting down in the middle of me doing something. Not only that, but it is then impossible to reopen the file as it has been corrupted. So if I haven't got a spare copy saved (which I generally don't have as I am adding bits and pieces most days for a couple of weeks) then I have to start again!

Most of the articles submitted are edited in either a minor or a major way – this might be grammar, spelling, or simply needing to fit into a certain space. I learnt very early in the process that rather than put the original article in and then editing it, it is much better to create word documents for all the text that I put in, so if for any reason I lose the main newsletter, at least I have some accurate wording to replace it.

But for some reason I put something in this month and it corrupted all the adverts – not too bad as I had the previous month's copy to go back to, but frustrating all the same. My role in the parish news probably occupies a full 2 days work each month if all goes well, but much longer if it doesn't! Saying all that, I still enjoy it!

Now for a bit of well-deserved down time until the next issue.

Oll an gwella, Jill

Key points in brief from the Parish News AGM, 6 March 2025

All the elected committee agreed to continue in their roles

Martin Brennan was welcomed to the team as website manager

Thanks were noted to Adam Lee and Sylvia Morrell for their valued input whilst they were on the team.

A second person is to be sought to help with printing

Expenditure (mainly printing) is greater than income – agreed to put advert prices up to cover this

Distribution rounds discussed – to be readjusted as new housing is built.

ST JAMES CHURCH FLOODLIGHTING SPONSORSHIP

Please clearly write or type your notices for the church floodlighting page, put them in an envelope with the £5 fee, and give them in at the Spar by the 11th of each month.

If you have any queries, please contact Tracey Smith at kilkchurchlights@gmail.com or phone her on 321432 or 07740 520459

Cheques should be made payable to 'KILKHAMPTON PCC'.

Kilkhampton Parish News Editorial team

Please use the contact details below to enquire about anything related to advertising (Martin Cross), or send in submissions for the editorial page (Jill). We are happy to be contacted in the first instance and we're happy to accept notices of events and news items. Adverts need to be submitted by 1st of the month for the following month, and editorial submissions by 12th of the month.

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Kilkhampton Church Services

St James Church

Sunday 6th April: Lent 5 (Purple)

11am Holy Communion with Reverend Richard Ward-Smith Welcomers: Myra and Tracey. Reading: Isaiah 43, 16-21. Kevin.

Sunday 13th April: Palm Sunday (Red)

11am Morning Worship with Ian

Welcomers: Rachel and Rita. Reading: Liturgy of the Palms, Luke 19, 28-40. Hilbre. Liturgy of the Passion, Isaiah 50, 4-9a. Reader tba.

Friday 18th April: GOOD FRIDAY

10am Stations of the Cross with Hilbre and Ian

Sunday 20th April: EASTER SUNDAY (Gold or White)

11am Easter Holy Communion with Reverend Teresa Welcomers: Joyce and Lynn. Reading: Acts 10, 34-43. Tony.

Sunday 27th April: Morning prayer followed by APCM (White)

11am Morning Prayer with Hilbre.

Welcomers: Myra and Margaret. Reading: Acts 5, 27-32. Gillian.

If anyone is unable to make their appointed date please arrange a replacement

Daily Morning Prayer: 9am Everyone welcome to drop in on any day

ZOOM Meeting ID 818 0754 3068 Password 342 493 Telephone 02030512874 or 02030515237

Methodist Chapel

<u>Date</u>	<u>Preacher</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Coffee</u>
6th April	Mrs. Cath Paddon	Sandra Jones	Vivienne Hunt
13th April	Rev. Meg Slingo	Debbie Dawber	Fiona Cleave
20th April	Mr. Barry Bryne	Judith Heard	Sandra Jones
27th April	Mr. Mark Sinden	Sandra Holmes	Pam Metherell

SAVE THE DATE!
ST JAMES CRAFT FAIR
SATURDAY 22 NOVEMBER
11AM - 3PM

FROM REV RICHARD

The cross is a major symbol the world over. It is also something of a fashion statement for many. Some wear it as a sign of something they like to wear, but are not sure why. In Roman times it was a cruel and horrible means of execution designed for maximum suffering.

I find this disturbing... today we find so much suffering in the world and we are constantly asking "Why?". I am bewildered and I have not found the full answer to that question. Only God can give me that. But when I look at the cross I do have a glimpse of the truth. On it died God-made man, innocent, sinless and good - he died for a purpose fully known to God. The one thing I do see is that death is a gateway to new life, because Christ who died, rose again from the dead.

There are thousands of images of Christ dying on the cross to remind us what of God has done for us. But I prefer the symbol of an empty cross because, with eyes of faith, I sense outlined behind it is the image of the risen Christ. It is this that helps me to understand that from suffering comes a promise of hope and happiness.

I remember an old poem I learnt at Sunday school:

Jesus rose on Easter Day
The stone by his tomb was rolled away
He conquered death upon that day
And now he lives to show the way.

There are plenty of symbols around us to celebrate on Easter Day, all of which are signs of hope for the new way. New life, new babies, new trees, new leaves, new flowers: new furry bunnies, chocolate cream eggs, young chicks and hot cross buns.

Enjoy a new, happy and meaningful Easter. Rev Richard



ALBERT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

April is a great month, with spring bursting forth in all its glory. It always reminds me of God's promise to us that seedtime and harvest shall not fail. It's a good thing that some things don't change in our ever-changing, crazy world.

Easter falls in April this year. Easter is my favourite time in the Christian calendar, I can't help getting excited at Easter. I know Good Friday is a bit gruesome but without it we would never have had Easter Sunday and it's not about eggs or bunnies; it's about life after we leave this earth. An eternal life that never ends, and I say if Christians can't get excited about what Jesus achieved at Easter for us, we are never going to get excited!

I found this the other day:

If the Christ who died had stopped at the cross, His work had been incomplete.

If the Christ who was buried had stayed in the tomb,

He had only known defeat.

But the way of the cross never stops at the cross And the way of the tomb leads on

To victorious grace in the heavenly place

Where the risen Lord has gone (Apple 1)

Where the risen Lord has gone (Annie Johnson Flint)

There will be more people enquiring about spiritual things this Easter than ever before in the UK because there is a spiritual hunger in the 15 - 35 year olds that has not been there for a long time, and that gets me excited because that hunger is fulfilled in Jesus. So, if you are one of those, get along to church this Easter and understand that Jesus is not on a cross anymore, and he is not in a tomb, but he can be in your heart and life if you ask him. Have a great month and let's fill our churches this Easter!

Albert Sloman, Pastor

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St James Church Floodlighting Sponsors April 2025

MICHAEL RICHARD MORRELL

1934-2018

Remembering dearest Mike with grateful thanks for 51 years of love and laughter. Sylvia and Nick

GALLING BRY

Think of you so much and I can't believe it's 2 years on April 12th since you left us.
In my heart and thoughts always.
Your Annie and all family xxx

JOANNE BABB

Thoughts of our dear sister who would have been 55 on April 3rd. You were a very special person to John and me and all of us family.

Miss you more than ever.

Love Ann & John xxx

BABB

Happy Birthday to great-granddaughter Harllow, 5 on April 21st.

Love Nanny Annie xxx

Thank you to all who to all who help on the magazine in any way.

I really enjoy receiving the actual paper copy. (Thanks to Rita x)

Annie Babb.

JOHN DICKINSON

2nd April 2015.

Dear John, loved and missed so very much. Margaret, Isobel, Tim, Simon and Jeremy

GEORGIE DEROSA

Passed away 22nd April 2016

Dear Georgie, it is 9 years since you left us, but we still feel you with us every day. Love you.

Mum, Dad, Maddy, Lyds, Emma, Richard, Jordan, Meg and Colby xxx

Church floodlighting sponsors: see information on page 3 of this newsletter



KILKHAMPTON FOOTBALL CLUB FIXTURES, APRIL 2025



<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Teams</u>	<u>Venue</u>
5 April	2.30pm	Kilkhampton 1st v St Breward 1st	Lamb Park
5 April	2.30pm	Newquay AFC 3rd v Kilk 2nd	St Columb Minor Rec. Ground
6 April	230pm	Callington Town Women v Kilkhampton Ladies AFC	
8 April	6.30pm	St Teath 2nd v Kilkhampton 2nd	St Teath Recreation Ground
12 April	2.30pm	Kilkhampton 1st v Lifton 1st	Lamb Park
13 April	2pm	Penrun Ladies AFC v Kilkhampton Ladies AFC	
16 April	7.30pm	St Blazey 3rd v Kilkhampton 2nd	Blaise Park
19 April	2.30pm	Kilkhampton 1st v St Teath 1st	Lamb Park
22 April	6.30pm	Padstow United 1st v Kilkhampton 2nd	Jury Park
26 April	2.30pm	Liskeard Athletic 2nd v Kilkhampton 1st	Lux Park
26 April	2.30pm	Kilkhampton 2nd v Lostwithiel FC 2nd	Lamb Park
27 April	2pm	Lanner Ladies v Kilkhampton Ladies AFC	

V E Day - Thursday 8th May Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

Followed by a church service led by Kilkhampton primary school children, Westlands nursery and Cheldern nursery and pre-school

Time to be confirmed. Everyone welcome



GRENVILLE ROOMS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

V E DAY CELEBRATORY LUNCH



Grenville Rooms, Sunday 4 June (12.30 for 1pm)

Cold Meats, Salad, Homemade Puddings, Cheese & Biscuits, Tea & Coffee £8.00

> Please ring Joyce on 321292 to book Numbers will be limited





KILKHAMPTON JUNIOR AND INFANTS SCHOOL

When you read this, we will be about to start the Easter period. I am writing this in mid-March and although the sun is streaming through the office window, there is a distinct chill outside. I hope by the time this article is published, the weather will be milder than today!

It has been a busy month since I last wrote to you. Interim reports have been sent to parents, giving them a chance to see how their children are progressing at the half-way point of the academic year. Following that, we held parents' evenings so parents could ask any questions and find out more detail.

Saint Piran's Day is always popular at school. The children learnt about Saint Piran, had a pasty lunch followed by hevva cake and also learnt Trelawney, which they sang brilliantly! We did try and get our rendition featured on BBC Spotlight but were alas unsuccessful. Maybe we will have better luck next year.







Photos on this page: Children dressed for World Book Day





The day after Saint Piran's Day was World Book Day, another important day in the school's calendar. The children (and staff) came in dressed in a huge array of costumes inspired by literary characters, from traditional ones such as the Queen of Hearts and members of the Famous Five, to the more modern such as Greg from the Wimpy Kid books and David Walliam's Demon Dentist! We held book guizzes, with the Key Stage Two quiz being inter-house and won by Hawker (yellow house). After school we held a book fair, where the children could use their £1 World Book Day gift vouchers.

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Key Stage One are having a geography focus this half-term, with the children learning about the weather and climate in the United Kingdom, Meanwhile in Kev Stage Two, the children are learning about history. Year Three and Four are looking at how Britain changed between the Paleolithic. Mesolithic and Neolithic periods, whilst Year Five and Six are returning to the subject of the Romans and working out the impact they had on Britain. In Reception, children are having their learning based around the theme 'Once upon a time.'

Science week was a great success, with the children enjoying carrying out investigations linked to British Science Week's 2025 theme, 'Adapt and Change.'





Above: more children dressed for World Book Day

For Science Week, children in Reception learnt about adaptations animals made according to their habitats; Year One about reflective properties; Year Two investigated rockets; Year Three underwater animals; Year Four investigated sounds and made their own tunes using partially filled jam jars. In the upper school, Year Five investigated why the glaciers in the Antarctic are melting so quickly and Year Six investigated dissolving. The whole school then came together to share their learning with one another.



Children in Reception sharing their Science Week learning



Year 5 investigating glaciers as part of Science Week

Still to come this term is Red Nose Day, with the ever-popular school talent show, 'Kilk's Got Talent,' before we break up for the Easter holidays. The summer term begins with many things in the diary, including the 80th anniversary of VE Day, SATs tests for our eldest children, and planning to welcome the new Reception children and their parents to the school. I look forward to updating you on all of that and much more in upcoming articles

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Children in Year 2 enjoying cricket coaching

TREE BOOK GROUP: Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver

The coal-filled mountains of Appalachia cast darkness on the small towns dotted throughout the eastern United States. The book begins as the main character, Demon, starts to tell his story. His childhood is a spiral of terrible circumstances and an environment accompanied by adults who make poor decisions in a community that thrives on coal and drugs (both legal and illegal). Demon, throughout his childhood, is raised by his young mother, a drug addict, and his neighbours the Peggots, who assist in trying to keep Demon on a straight path as they deal with issues living in the mountaintop small-town Appalachia, drug addiction, crime, poverty, and a poor economy.

"The wonder is that you could start life with nothing, end with nothing, and lose so much in between."

Demon's mother marries a man called Stoner, who is abusive to both Demon and his mother during their marriage. Demon's mother relapses, and Demon and Stoner struggle as Demon attempts to call for help and Stoner attempts to stop him, and Demon loses his mother and his unborn sibling. After his mother's death, he's given to a foster home where he is worked like hired help on a tobacco farm, echoing the horribleness of how the American foster system can harm a child. Demon learns the ins and outs of the family on this farm through his peers getting into trouble, lusting for a good meal, and starting to take drugs for fun.

Eventually, as he ages and moves to another foster family who struggle in the poverty of Appalachia, Demon runs away to his grandmother's house in

Murder Valley, Tennessee. On his trip, he meets a preacher, gets his money stolen by a prostitute, and sleeps in a barn. Eventually, he meets Betsy Woodall and her disabled brother Dick who get Demon back in shape and, using Betsy's connections, gets him a foster home with a football coach. Demon's problems disappear for a short while disappear as he starts school again, taking special classes in art and getting by in other courses, but eventually, the freedom of youth escapes him and he spirals back down, even as he's the star player in a football team which is the pinnacle of any small town. Demon eventually gets injured and addicted to OxyContin on a legal script that doctors at the time were pushing to everyone to deal with pain, knowing the drug was addictive; in doing so, Demon falls for a girl, Dori, who had her own addiction issues and Demon's life course, even when going well for just a few short years, spirals again.

The ending is not a tragic blunder about addiction and poverty but a tour of struggle and pain as Demon grows, fails, picks himself up, and eventually uses his artistic skills to slowly build a world around him to give him enough structure to break a cycle that many fail to do. Eventually, Demon realises the few people close to him who constantly annoyed him were the very few people that only wanted Demon Copperhead to stand tall and be the better person he deserved to be.

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KILK KRAFTS REPORT

On 12th February, the theme was Valentine's Day, and everyone got the chance to decorate wooden hearts. There was a good selection of different decorative items, such as flowers, pearls, buttons, diamonds and lace. The members were able to choose their decorations and then use glue sticks, glue guns or self-adhesive items to create their own unique and amazing designs. They also had the choice of whether to hang their finished heart with a coloured ribbon, or to attach a magnet to the back.

Everyone enjoyed the session and took part, and you can see from the photos on this page and the next what fantastic designs were produced.



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Above and right: close-up samples of crafted hearts from 12th February

The chapel room was full for the session on 26th February, when Sally and Hannah guided the group to make their own bunting. They brought lots of coloured material cut into larger and smaller triangles, all from leftover curtains, clothing and other fabrics from their own homes – so good news for all the hoarders out there, now you can do something with any materials you have been saving 'just in case' for years!

Sally showed some of the many sets of bunting she has made, for various celebrations and locations such as her motorhome. She also took us through the stages of putting the binding with the material triangles, which were then hand-sewn together. Everyone then chose their favourite colours to make their own. For those who felt they preferred watching, Sally and Hannah made them each some bunting for them to take home. It was a bit fiddley, but everyone produced something and the results looked great, as you can see from the photos!







Above 2 photos: Kilk Krafters hard at work

Left:
Finished bunting
(In a circle for the photo not stitched like that!)





Above:
Sally and Hannah with some
bunting samples they made,
plus materials for the group
to choose from

KILK KRAFTS APRIL MEETINGS

Wednesday 9 April
Cake decorating with Clare
Wednesday 23 April
Craft session with Susanne

Venue:

Methodist Chapel, Kilkhampton

Time: 2pm to 4.30pm Cost: £2 per session plus

small material costs as needed

Any questions, contact: Joyce (01288 321292) Or Lorna (01288 321706)

Kilkhampton Parish Council

Report of the regular meeting held on

3 March 2025 www.kilkhampton-pc.gov.uk

Attendance: Reg Hambley (RH), Keith Ovenden (KO), Ian Heard (IH), Tim Cottle (TC), Cornwall Cllr Shorne Tilbey (ST).

Apologies: Kingsley Bryant (KB), Joanne Timmins (JT), Lee Bond (LB), Vinnie James (VJ), Phil Sluggett (PS).

Chairman: Clive Vanstone Clerk: Hannah Collett

Good evening to all by the Chairman

Minutes Approved by all and to be signed by the Chairman at the end of the meeting.

Adopt Code of Conduct
Declaration of Interest None
Public Speaking Session None
Planning Applications

1. PA25/01109 | Non Material Amendment (1) to Application No. PA24/00974 dated 3rd April 2024 'Proposed 3no. dwellings' with variation of condition 2 of decision PA21/03733 dated 04/08/2021, namely, for Change of Condition 3 of the planning permission from a pre-commencement condition to a pre-occupation condition for Plot 4 only. | Land South Of Chynoweth Kilkhampton Bude Cornwall EX23 9PA.

Details read through. RH tried to find out what the condition actually entails. It is to do with the building being moved slightly from the original plan. RH didn't feel there was anything we could refuse, due to the technical aspect of the application. RH approved and IH seconded. All in favour of approval.

The Chairman mentioned that on the planning lists he receives, there is one for the wood store that is under dispute. It is on these lists but nothing has been received by the Parish Council to consult on. RH will call the planners tomorrow. Unable to contact anyone as of yet.

Matters

- 1. Car park and toilets: £90.30. One of the drains had been blocked. Has been sorted swiftly by S Cholwill. Drain jetting and invoice received for payment.
- 2. Playpark: Mrs Helen Bond here to talk through quotes received. RH stated we have 4 quotes for the remaining works at the playpark. Mrs Bond spoke in depth about these quotes. Only Kompan haven't actually visited the site. Breakdown shown to all for comparison on costs etc. Details read through by Mrs Bond. A consultation had been done with some local residents felt it would be better for no enclosed tubes or slides to be included in the design. Drawings and designs shown to all. Was suggested that Kompan come and visit the site. Mrs Bond to go back and ask for their inspection and to ask companies with enclosed areas to amend their quotations. RH had met with two of the companies and Mrs Bond has dealt with the finding the contacts

etc. The Chairman asked for Mrs Bond to come back with recommendations and for RH and Mrs Bond to sort between them and come back with relevant information for the April meeting. All in favour of this action to be taken. Thanks to Mrs Bond by the Chairman. Thanks to all by Mrs Bond. The Chairman mentioned that when we install the benches at the park, we need to check the poles on the shelter. Discussions had on where to place the benches.

- 3. CCTV at Lamb Park: Cameras working and cloud storage organised by KO.
- 4. AGM: Dates for elections and AGM discussed. IH to put election information onto facebook and Clerk to draft a poster for the notice board and village businesses.
- 5. Kilkhampton Common: Email reply had been received. Clerk forwarded to ST as requested and ST to reply accordingly on our behalf.
- 6. Other matters arising from the minutes: None

Reports

Footpaths: North Close needs a trim. IH to sort. Playing fields and Lamb Park: RH has spoken to the Grants companies and hopefully able to achieve funding from them. ST mentioned one more grant available for professional fees. The Chairman asked for outstanding invoices for the heating works at Lamb Park. TC to sort.

School: LB not here to give information.

Grenville Rooms: RH reiterated Mr Francis' request last month for the soldier to be outside for VE Day. On 4th May there will be a luncheon in the Grenville Rooms to commemorate VE Day also. Tickets can be purchased now, via Joyce.

Month's work Read through and approved by all. Members

RH – Mentioned the manhole cover outside Gilbert and Vanstone has been marked and also the one by the New Inn – hopefully these will be dealt with soon.

KB (via RH) – asked to mention the water at the Stibb turning – running a lot more than normal. Feels there is a well there. Clerk to email Mr Oliver Jones about our concerns. (left hand turn from Stibb onto A39, towards Kilkhampton and the Grenville Country sign).

TC – stated more oil was needed at Lamb Park.

KO – Nothing

IH – bought up the history room. RH said some items already started to be gathered in there.

ST – report read through. Report attached.

The Chairman mentioned that the wifi is now working again. The contract had been cancelled by the company in error. Letter of thanks to be sent to Mr Mathew Nute from Acuiti Solutions for sorting out all the wifi issues and helping Mr Alan Wood. Bude art department has previously offered to cover the graffiti at Lamb Park play area. IH to

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contact again.

The Chairman, KB and RH had met with the High Sheriff.

The email previously replied to regarding Heart Heath Drop-in sessions requesting a closer location has not been responded to. ST asked for the Clerk to forward our response and he will follow up for us. The Chairman mentioned that MP Ben Maguire had been to the village unexpectedly, and had chats with the parishioners and councillors. The Chairman would like a letter of thanks sent for his coming to the village and meeting our parishioners.

Correspondence

Cornwall Council Planning Officer Mr Paul Steen

would like to visit the Parish Council to get to talk to the Councillors. Email read through by RH. RH suggested whoever was available, an afternoon meet to be organised. RH to reply and ask for some dates.

Bunnyhomes works still going through legal procedures – Per ST.

Finance Read through by Chairman. Invoices to be paid: £72.00 S Gifford; £100.00 S Cholwill Drain and Jetting; £16.20 D & I Bridgman; £1.88 D & I Bridgman; £173.00 K & J Building Services. All in favour to be paid.

Date of next regular meeting: 7th April 2025, 7.30pm, Grenville Rooms.

Thanks to all by the Chairman and declared the meeting closed.

Cornwall Council meetings, 21 January and 25 February 2025

Key points from a report from Cllr Shorne Tilbey to Kilkhampton Parish Council

Full minutes can be viewed on cornwall.gov.uk under 'The Council & Democracy'

21st January: Shorne led the council in prayer before the start of the meeting.

- 1. Budget-setting for 2025-26 was hampered by a letter from government of an unexpected shortfall of £5.2 million for Cornwall. A budget was agreed by a majority vote on 25 February 2025.
- 2. In September 2024, a letter was sent to the Deputy Prime Minister, supported by all 6 Cornwall MPs, seeking autonomy and devolution for Cornwall. A government white paper was produced, which generated serious discussions, especially in the South West. It has not become a formal bill to be discussed in Parliament. Cornwall Council have agreed they will not agree to any cross-border combined authority with Devon.
- 3. Housing: Long term and short term lets within the private market were discussed in a heated but healthy debate over how we engage with large organisations and property owners of short term let housing. Cornwall Council will write to all significant landlords (such as the National Trust), asking them to consider using their properties for long term lets for local residents rather than holiday lets, to deal with the housing crisis.

Questions from Members to Members of the Cabinet:

- 4. Roll out of Superfast Broadband: Where there has been a refusal to connect residents to the service for non-existent barriers, a written response will be provided by the Portfolio Holder for the Economy.
- 5. The Portfolio Holder for Transport will confirm the budget allocation for cold weather provisions relating to Cornwall's roads, and a link to the policy on slating will be provided. The naming of Cornwall's

- gritting lorries was welcomed as a positive way to increase public engagement in Council services.
- 6. The Leader advised that, should any recommendations arise from the Newquay Airport enquiry, they would be discussed by Cabinet.
- 7. The Portfolio Holder for Neighbourhoods advised that black refuse bags left outside bins would be collected for the first 5 to 6 weeks. After this, bags left outside bins will be tagged, reminding the householder that bags must be left inside the bin to be collected. Any ongoing issues would be investigated further. The wheelie bins are sized to encourage more recycling.
- 8. An extra £1.2m has been allocated to support Education Health and Care plans in Cornwall. The Portfolio Holder for Children and Families advised she was not aware of any extra financial support being made available for Special Educational Needs.
- 9. Decentralisation Programme of Cornwall Council's public car parks: The Deputy Leader advised that all comments received during the consultation period had been heard and a decision had been made on that basis.
- 10. Devon & Cornwall Police Panel: Police & Crime Commissioner Alison Hermandez appointed Mr. James Vaughan QPC as temporary Chief Constable in December on a twelve-month contract, Mr. Vaughan has been a previous Chief Constable for Dorset. He attended our P & C panel meeting on 14th January where the Precept/Budget was discussed in detail. It was agreed to increase the Council Precept by 4.99%, an increase on a Band D property equating to £1.40 per month on a 10-month payment basis, so from £27.45 per month to £28.87 per month. Shorne has the presentation slides of the meeting if anyone wants to look at them.

BUDE LOOK GROUP

This month we focused on Canada's *Group of Seven* and also Emily Carr (1871-1945) and Tom Thomson (1877-1917).

Tom Thomson is considered by many Canadians as the archetypal painter and his work deeply influenced the artist, Lawren Harris, the pioneer of the Group of Seven. Thomson inspired Harris by perfectly capturing the raw beauty of Canada's wilderness, his deep connection to nature, expressive brush strokes and bold use of colour. Thomson tragically died in a canoe accident in 1917, and so was never one of the Seven, who formed in 1920 and worked together until 1933.



Lawren Harris 'Greenland Mountains' 1930



Tom Thomson 'Northern River' 1915

Lawren Harris (1885-1970) took up painting at an early age and studied in Germany from 1904 to 1907. He particularly admired the works of Gauguin, van Gogh, and Cézanne. Harris was the driving force behind the group. He led the way toward painting the Ontario Woods, the high Arctic, the Rocky Mountains, Gaspe, and other unique and powerful parts of Canada.

Franklin Carmichael (1890-1945) was one of five founding members who worked together for a design company in Ontario. The Group of Seven was the first School of Artists in Canada. They did not pioneer entirely new painting techniques, but what they did was to capture not only the beauty and overwhelming vastness of the Canadian landscape but the emotion and sense of awe it evokes.

The Canadian Group of Painters, which included other respected Canadian artists including Emily Carr, succeeded the Group of Seven in 1933



Emily Carr 'Indian Church' 1929



Emily Carr 'Thunder Bird, Campbell River' 1929



Franklin Carmichael 'Mirror Lake' 1929

Emily Carr was an extraordinary woman. She lived and worked in British Columbia apart from the time she spent in France. She developed close friendships with First Nation people and as one of the first painters in Canada to adopt a Modernist and Post-Impressionist painting style, she experienced great difficulty in becoming recognised as an artist. Now celebrated, the Canadians owe her a debt of gratitude for raising awareness of the importance of protecting totem poles - now so iconic.

Bude Look Group meets once a month at the Parkhouse Centre, Bude.

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