



A QUALITY COUNCIL

QUARTERLY WEB NEWSLETTER – JULY 2009

Election of new Vice Chair of the Council

The May meeting of the Council is its General Meeting, at which the Chairman and Vice Chairman are elected, to serve for the next year. Cllr Gartside was honoured and delighted to be nominated again. He stated that he would do everything in his power to ensure a smooth running council, acts to the benefit of the community.

The council thanked Malcolm Dearnley who stood down as Vice Chair after six years in that office. Malcolm has been a tower of strength to the Council, taking on several portfolios including the Office and Finance Working Group, which makes recommendations for the Budget and Precept each year. Under Malcolm's keen eye and financial acumen, we have been able to keep the precept as low as possible but without reducing the services we would wish to offer.

David Gibbons was nominated and elected as Vice Chairman. The council congratulates him, and looks forward to working with him over the next year. David will take over Chairmanship of the Office and Finance Group, as well as day to day responsibility for the Carwinion Trust and Playing Fields.

All Councillors have portfolio responsibilities, so if you have any queries or problems please address your questions as follows through the Council Office.

Council Members – Portfolio & Committee Responsibilities, 2009/10

These are as follows :-

Portfolios

Chair of Junior Playing Field & Carwinion Trusts	Cllr D Gartside [Chairman of Council]
Treasurer of Carwinion Trust	Cllr D Gibbons [Vice Chairman of Council]
Chair of Office & Finance Group	Cllr D Gibbons [Vice Chairman of Council]
Footpaths & Tree Warden	Cllr Mrs A Loomes
Allotments	Cllr Miss S King
Transport, Highways & Police Liaison	Cllr M Dearnley
Planning and Local Development including related housing issues	Cllr N Gilmore
Graveyard Burials Officer	Cllr D Gartside
Youth Liaison	Cllr R Sadler
Local Strategic Partnerships (including Falmouth & Penryn Community Network Area)	Cllr D Odell
The Environment, Waste & Recycling (including County AONB, Helford River Association and other relevant outside bodies)	Cllrs M Barlow & Mrs B Lawry

Committees & Representatives, 2009/10

Planning Committee
Finance Committee
Office and Finance Group

Junior Playing Field & Carwinion Playing Field Trusts
Memorial Hall Committee
Rendlesham Trust
Helford Marine Conservation Group
Helford River Association
Home Defence Emergency Committee
Staffing Committee

All Council Members
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Cllrs D Gibbons, D O'Dell, R Sadler and
Chairman (ex officio) [Vice Chairman of
Council to Chair]
Cllr D Gartside [Chairman]
Cllr Mrs B Lawry
Cllr R Sadler & ex-Cllr R South
Cllrs Miss S King & Mrs B Lawry
Cllr M Barlow
Cllrs D Gartside, Mrs B Lawry & R Sadler
Cllrs D Gartside, D Gibbons, D O'Dell & R
Sadler

Mawnan Pre School Group / Carwinion Playing Field

The Trustees of Carwinion Playing Field have given conditional permission to the Pre School to construct purpose built premises in the field. This has been done with the full agreement of the Cricket and Football clubs and the MCA.

The Trustees are extremely conscious of their duties in maintaining a viable playing field whilst wishing to respond to the growing and changing needs of the village. Consequently there are some quite strict conditions which the Play School are required to adhere to before any building can take place, during the building phase and again once the Pre School is up and running.

Mawnan Pre School have applied for grant funding and we wish them every success in their application

Anti Social Behaviour

Following numerous complaints by residents about petty crime and antisocial behaviour in the village, the Council and the Police have taken a proactive role in putting a stop to what was becoming a nuisance to many people.

Stage One Anti Social Behaviour Orders have been issued against specific youths in the village. If you are subject to or witness any further anti social activities please do contact the police on 08452 777 444.

Road Safety Visor

The Speed Visor is up and running in Grove Hill, hopefully protecting the school children against speeding traffic. It is currently in observation mode but will go into full surveillance operation after a couple of weeks.

Additional Seats in Mawnan Smith

Following an offer by a local resident to repair "Uncle Joe's Seat" outside Mawnan Surgery, the Council agreed to pay for the materials and also for the construction of one further seat, which will be dedicated to the late Hartley Peters. This additional seat will be placed in the graveyard once this is operational.

The Council is now looking for sponsorship for other seating in the graveyard which you may wish to dedicate to a loved relative. If you feel that this is something you might wish to consider, please do contact me or John Harrop and we can discuss the details.

Allotments update

The council is pleased to report that the National Trust has agreed to make land available for use as allotments. Although it may be several months before these are available, it is pleasing to be able to report that the allotments will be going ahead.

Mawnan Fun Run 2009

This is scheduled for Sunday, 4th October 2009, commencing at 9.15am, and as usual will be held over 5 kilometres from Carwinion Playing Field to Trebah Gardens and back. Entry forms are available from village shops, the Red Lion or the Budock Vein Hotel.

Mock European Elections held at Mawnan School

As part of the council's commitment to the promotion of Democracy and Citizenship, Cllrs Gartside and Mrs Lawry, plus the Clerk to the council presented election manifestos to the pupils of Mawnan School on Thursday, 21st May 2009. Pupils were also invited to ask pertinent questions. A number of pupils assisted by acting as "election agents" for the three candidates.

There followed a ballot on the morning of 22nd May 2009, as a result of which the Green Party candidate was selected, and gave an acceptance speech.

The Parish Council wishes to thank all of the pupils for their cooperation, and looks forward to assisting at similar events in years to come.

The Plan itself will be used to inform local and regional authorities and government bodies about the wishes and expectations of the community; to input into the Falmouth and Penryn Community Network alongside neighbouring parish plans; identify local priorities for action; and provide a platform for community-led projects.

Mawnan Parish Council membership of Cornwall Council's Planning Liaison Group

Following the replacement of the old County and District Councils with the unitary council, the existing district-based Planning procedures will eventually merge into a single county-wide system. In order to include the best and most forward-looking working practices, a Planning Liaison Group has been formed, consisting of senior members of the Planning Department plus representatives from five Town & parish Councils across the county.

Mawnan Parish Council was invited to be a member of this group, meetings of which have been very positive. Additional delegated powers might be available to certain Parish & Town Councils in the longer term, and recommendations are already being considered, to help improve the decision-making processes of officers under delegated powers.
