

## **(6) Chairman's Report 2017/18**

The year began with an elected council voted on by the residents of our parish. The cost of an election has to be met by the parish and this added a further £1,980 onto our yearly expenses.

NDP has been controversial and with regret members deemed it necessary to put this on hold.

Polyphant Green maintenance thereof £5,040 including the removal of diseased trees.

Lewannick Green maintenance thereof £1,710.

Cllr Susan Curley resigned at the end of 2017 so she could spend more time looking after her mum. She was a long standing councillor.

Sign erected at Trenthorpe as a result of lobbying by PC. This prevents large heavy vehicles from trying to negotiate into this hamlet.

The bridge crossing the River Inney at Hicks Mill has been completely restored thanks to our lobbying.

We took part in the Festival of Trees, Lewannick Church.

Regular maintenance is carried out to our parish clock, street furniture and play equipment. Rospa also carry out an annual inspection of both Polyphant and Lewannick play areas. Equipment has been repaired by Schoolscape and minor repairs have also been carried out by a local maintenance contractor.

Grants have been given to Lewannick, Polyphant and Trevadlock for maintenance of graveyards.

Our newsletter continues to be distributed each month to every household. Thanks to Emma – editor.

Countryside Officer has walked several of our footpaths and we have notified them of posts and stiles which require renewal. However, because of the on-going cuts the footpaths have to be given priority according to their location and the coast paths are naturally well walked and have to be given priority.

We wrote our MP giving our complete backing to the Launceston Hospital remaining open.

Potholes are being constantly lobbied. We are fortunate to have an excellent County Councillor in Adrian Parsons who has worked well with us throughout the year.

We are conscious of the problems with speeding traffic throughout our parish and again are constantly lobbying.

Dog bins – we have purchased additional bins and the problem seems to have improved.

Co-option of Cllr. 5 potential applicants which was good to note.

Website works well and provides up to date information for the parish. Our website has been audited by our association to ensure we meet every compliance.