

2019 Annual Chacewater Parish Report

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The major application in our area is and has been for some time (since 2009 when outline planning permission was granted) is the Langarth application

Cornwall Council have recently (during the parish year) decided sensibly to call the whole development spread over 2.5 miles -the Langarth Development. It has in the past been named after the individual farms or simply the land north of the A390 west of Truro.

Cornwall Council, who are behind this development, are supportive because of the total number of houses planned will have a great impact on the national governments requirements of houses needed to be built by 2030 in Cornwall. What the Council have done again very recently is to set up a working party of both Truro and Kenwyn Parish Council due to partly the revision of the Truro and Kenwyn Local Plan with all the Cornwall Councillors elected for this combined area. Cllr Dulcie Tudor has been elected the Chairman of and I am the Vice-Chairman, and it seems we shall be meeting every Tuesday afternoon from 4 – 5.30 for the foreseeable future.

The whole development frustrates me as no one will plan or take decisions about ensuring that the infrastructure will cope e.g. drainage, traffic, etc. etc. Only yesterday, as I write it took our daughter over 40 mins to get out of Threemilestone (where she lives) at 10.30 am and drive to the Treliske Hospital roundabout, a maximum of 2 miles, mid-morning after the commuters have been through. – it just does not get any better.

Two other major issues-

- i) *Drainage.* - although as Cornwall Council Members we have seen sketch plans for the sewage disposal system from South West water the detail plans have yet to be submitted nor the whereabouts of the 4 proposed pumping stations en-route from Penstraze to Calenick which is a distance of at least 4.5 miles. There has also been an application submitted for an anaerobic

digestion system that has also yet to be considered by the planning system. This will have to be studied in detail because any failure will lead to raw sewage ending up in the River Kenwyn and via the river course will quickly end up in the centre of Truro at Victoria Square. Smells, air pollution and wind direction towards the hospital are another significant concern.

- ii) *The proposed Northern area access road*, this road will take most of the traffic from the development areas and even the Planners admit 2 cars per household per dwelling need to be allocated. Cyclists and pedestrians will find this route difficult because of the hills. To date the plans of the Northern Area access road are to end at the Eastern end (of this so called relief road) into the Royal Cornwall Hospital complex at Treliske -but the question is will the RCHT Board allow this as they own all the land and the road within the hospital from where it goes past the Innovation Centre, Gravel Car Park, Mobility Centre and Helicopter landing pad.

It has been a great privilege to represent this area that I have always lived in and one I still enjoy. As part of my role this year I have been able to give several grants from the Community Budget that each Cornwall Council member is allocated. I am delighted that I have been able to help people and organisations from all three parishes that I represent through this diverse large geographical area. In Chacewater I have been able to give financial grants to Wheel Velocity Academy and New Gasebo's for their events; the removal and replacement of disabled parking spaces in the High St and Riverside; Chacewater Parish Council (Special Events Committee) to provide a new portable BBQ; the repainting of the lettering on the War Memorial outside St Pauls Church Chacewater and also on the War Memorial outside the Passmore Edwards Institute (now the village Hall) in Blackwater because both building and War Memorial are actually in Chacewater Parish.

If I can help any Parishioner, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me on Truro (01872) 273329, mobile 07962217665 or by email on fjdyer@cornwall.gov.uk



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