

Minutes of the South Petherwin Annual Parish Meeting held on Wednesday 20th May 2026, at 7pm, in South Petherwin Methodist Chapel Schoolroom, South Petherwin.

Present: Cllr P Parsons (Chairman), Cllr Screech (Vice Chair), Cllr Barlow, Cllr Rowse, Cllr Middleton, Cllr Dixon

In Attendance: Alison Barham, Parish Clerk, Cllr A Parsons, Cornwall Councillor.

There were eight members of the public present.

Item 1. Apologies. Apologies were received from Cllr Ashdown.

Item 2. Chairman's Welcome. The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

Item 3. Minutes of the 2025 Annual Parish Meeting.

The Minutes of that meeting were resolved as a true record at the Parish Council meeting held on 11th June 2025, and were also resolved as a true record at this meeting, proposed Cllr Barlow, seconded Cllr Screech with all in favour.

Item 4. Reports of Parish Council matters during the year.

The Chairman of South Petherwin Parish Council reported the following:

- Derek Pitman. A former parishioner who has recently died, Derek was instrumental in many parish organisations, including saving the village hall, and a founding member of the parish magazine. He will be much missed.
- Plusha Mitigation plans are still ongoing. Cllr Adrian Parsons added some comments regarding what the plans involve.
- With CIL funding, the Parish Council have just purchased two flashing speed signs, that can be moved around the parish, an example of which was at the meeting.
- We are pleased to say that Tregaller Lane in Daws House will finally be getting a dog bin.
- The footpaths from Trelinnoe Close to Trelinnoe Gardens will all be adopted by Cornwall Council, for the sum of £760.
- We are looking into Emergency Planning, and Cllr Middleton has an exercise planned for the Parish Council to undertake. During the Methodist Church report, it was mentioned that their buildings have been designated a safe space during a time of crisis by Cornwall Council.
- Cllr Rowse is conducting a survey of parishioners with regards to ascertaining the community's understanding of what the Parish Council does. Thanks to Cllr Middleton, photos of all the councillors will soon be on the Parish Council website and featured in the Parish Magazine.
- Celebrated VJ Day in August last year with a parish coffee morning, and commemorated Remembrance Sunday as always with wreath laying.
- Next Parish Coffee morning is Saturday 30th May and all are welcome.
- The Wind Turbine fund that is currently locked in the former Nat West account is still there and is inaccessible for public funds.

- The Parish Clerk reported on wind turbine funding in the past year. Since the last Annual Parish meeting £2719.25 has been paid out for the 2025 Flowerpot Festival, a bench and materials to reorganise storage for the Village Hall, and 3 issues of the parish magazine. A further £1088 has been agreed but not yet paid out for this year's Flowerpot Festival, plus signage for the Village Hall. The balance currently stands at £11,219.33, but when the above has been paid (next month) it will stand at £10,131.33.

Item 5. Reports from local organisations.

Reports from the following are attached to these Minutes as Appendices:

- a) Councillor Adrian Parsons, Cornwall Council
- b) South Petherwin Village Hall
- c) Friendship lunch
- d) Highways
- e) South Petherwin Methodist Church
- f) South Petherwin school – a question was asked of the Parish Council if help could be given regarding the school playground maintenance, which will be added to the June PC meeting agenda.
- g) Parish Magazine
- h) Parish website
- i) St Paternus Church
- j) SPAG
- k) Cake & Rakers
- l) Tree warden & Dark Skies
- m) PPG Launceston
- n) Flowerpot Festival
- o) South Petherwin Bell Ringers – report was sent in after the meeting

Item 6. Public Open Forum.

A parishioner commented on the current state of the phone box (owned by the Parish Council). This will be added to the June meeting agenda.

Item 7. Closure of the meeting. The Chairman thanked all for coming and closed the meeting at 20.16.

Signed.....Chairman Date.....

APPENDICES:

Unitary Councillor's 2025/2026 Annual Report

The overall turnout for the Cornwall Council election was 37.21 per cent. The most popular party across Cornwall based on the total votes cast was Reform (29% of vote), followed by the Liberal Democrats who gained 39,981 (24%), Conservatives with 25,881 (16%), independent councillors gained 22,564 votes (14%), Labour received 15,100 (9%), Mebyon Kernow – the Party for Cornwall with 6,524 (4%) and the Green Party who achieved 6,408 votes (4%). Initially Reform had 28 councillors, the LDs 26 and the Independents 16. Following negotiations Reform couldn't implement a partnership with anyone else so the Independents and LDs formed a coalition to run the Council.

Launceston College: motion re. wellbeing of school children at academy trusts, as it has been difficult to hold an academy to account. The motion requested Cabinet to set up an informal Cabinet Advisory Group to consider the matter of mental, emotional health and wellbeing in our schools and, following completion of its work, write to the Secretary of State for the Department for Education with its findings and asking for their support in tackling any issues that are found.

Kit Hill: following the parking review, thankfully we have managed to get Kit Hill dropped off the list so will remain free to access.

Plusha: National Highways have said they will further deliver the interim measures they have proposed in the Autumn. With slip roads being implemented to pull in and out of the junction at Plusha. Old Hill down to Two Bridges will be left open to run right to Launceston but the right hand turn out of Polyphant at Blackhill Quarry is to be closed, which is far from ideal for residents. Further measures can be viewed on the N H website. We still don't have an agreed figure for the local mitigation measures, but they say it will be near what we have asked for.

Recycling: Introduction of plastic bags and wrapping, and cartons collection. This change is part of the national Simpler Recycling legislation.

National Scheme of Delegation: proposed regulations set out types of applications where decisions must be delegated to officers, reducing the amount of planning committees. If applied to last year, this would mean 40% less going to committee and only large cases would come before committee eg. estates, wind turbines, solar farms.

SOUTH PETHERWIN VILLAGE HALL 2026

We are pleased to say that our bookings are steady, and we have some great regular users, yoga, Pilates, U3A table tennis and a very popular line dancing group. In addition, we have two new users, Tranquil Baby and Rugby Tots who are now making regular bookings. Sadly, Oksana who runs the acting classes is retiring in the Summer so that booking will be lost. The village hall run events are very popular, especially bingo, quizzes, and souper Thursdays which are held in the autumn and winter. We have also introduced a book exchange which is well used.

The update to the Trust Deeds including the land registry document is now complete with the Official Custodian as the Holding Trustee.

We have had some major work carried out on the drains which were in a very poor condition, this will now stand the hall in good stead for the next hundred years!!

The bench, for use by all in the parish, has now been installed in the lawned area outside which was made possible with a grant from the Wind Turbine Committee.

We are very proud of the cabinet of WW1 artefacts in the Hall now on permanent display. A huge thank you to Clive Butler for making the cabinet, and to Peter Bailey, Julie Barlow and John Ashdown for their contributions.

Looking ahead we are hosting the Flowerpot Festival and Craft Fair in August for the third year, updating the storeroom, sourcing a new external sign, and getting quotes together for repair of the perimeter wall and improving accessibility via the kitchen entrance.

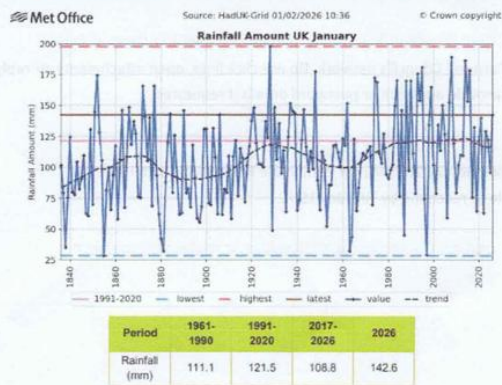
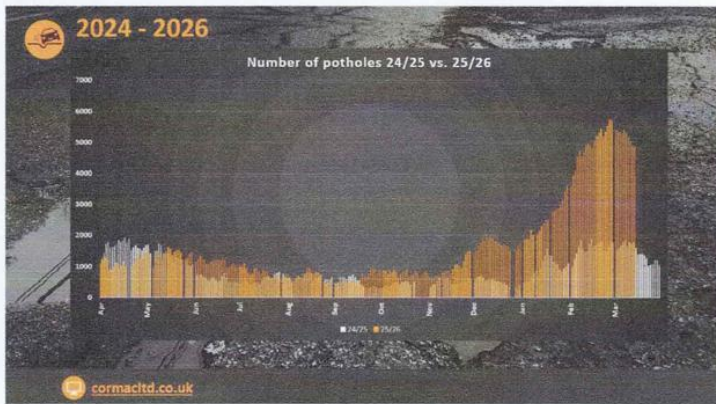
If anyone wishes to join the committee, please let us know – new people are always welcome, we are a friendly bunch.

FRIENDSHIP LUNCH

Held on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Frog and Bucket, it brings together parish seniors. Running successfully for over four years it's become very popular and a lifeline for some. The food is always delicious, and everyone is made welcome.

HIGHWAYS

Oliver Jones sent some interesting statistics, including graphs showing the correlation between rainfall and potholes.



Cornwall-wide Reactive maintenance (January 2025 to date)

110,712
Defects reported and repaired on Cornwall's highway network

20,839
Surface deterioration defects repaired

15,620
Minor maintenance defects

50,464
Potholes repaired

8,129
Highway drainage defects assessed and repaired

4,400
Safety cuts to maintain rural verges

6,250
Emergency responses

Including:

- ✓ 2,016 fallen trees
- ✓ 1,380 flooding and blocked drains
- ✓ 1,000 mud, debris and spillages
- ✓ 232 defective manholes
- ✓ 170 carriageway issues

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Winter maintenance



925 miles
of road are covered by the gritting network, which is slightly more than the distance from Land's End to John o' Groat's

25 routes

35,329 miles treated

38 treatment days

5,000 tonnes of salt used

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SOUTH PETHERWIN METHODIST CHURCH REPORT 20th MAY 2026

We continue to meet on Sunday mornings at 11am and celebrated 154 years of worship at our chapel recently. We have welcomed our new minister Rev Oseias Da Silva who is always available to deal with any outreach work and pastoral related problems and holds a regular Bible Study meeting here. He lives in the manse at Coads Green. We are often told we have the warmest chapel in the Circuit.

Our Church hall continues to be hired by various groups including the local primary school. The mobile Post Office is open for business every Monday from 11.30am – 12.30pm (except Bank Holidays) and continues to be well supported and appreciated by the community. On the last Monday of the month the Friendship Group continues to meet from 2.00pm – 4.00pm when a cup of coffee/ tea and cake is available together with an organised activity and plenty of chat. This is very well supported and our numbers have increased since its inception.

On the last day of term we are always please to host the South Petherwin School's annual Christingle service. The chapel is full of children, friends and family, a wonderful service not to be missed.

We are registered as a Warm Welcome Space where the community can come and hold their meetings and are also registered with Cornwall County Council as premises available for use in local/national emergencies. This may involve being called upon to feed or bed down those in such an emergency with Council oversight and help.

You will have noticed that the scaffolding had now disappeared after the re pointing of the exterior has been completed, which will hopefully prevent any further damp ingress and has proven to be successful and was undertaken in line with our Grade 2 listed building requirements.

The footpath through our Methodist Church premises and also our car park is not a Public Right of Way, but which is used by the community on a daily basis. So in line with legislation and with prior notice, this will continue to be closed at various times during the year.

We would like to thank the Parish Council for the £500 grant towards the upkeep of the graveyard and appreciate all the hard work undertaken by our grounds man.

Thankyou

Church Stewards: Michael Noakes and Mary Stoneman



Executive Summary for South Petherwin CP School

I am delighted to present this update to the Parish Council. South Petherwin School continues to thrive, secure in its fantastic ethos and culture. Thanks to the hard work of our staff, the dedication of our pupils and governors, and the continued support of our community, the school is enjoying an exceptionally successful year across academics, attendance, sports, and the arts.

School Roll and Admissions Demand

Metric	Details
Current School Roll	116 pupils (PAN: 104)
New Starter Places Available	15 places
Total Applications Received	56 applications
First-Choice Preferences	25 first-choice applications

Operating above PAN is a wonderful testament to the school's standing, though it highlights the high demand for the quality education we provide.

Enrichment and Extracurricular Successes

We pride ourselves on offering a wide range of enrichment activities, including varied in-school clubs, sports, writing, and robotics. This year has yielded an extraordinary harvest of trophies and accolades for our pupils:

Sports Triumphs

- **Rugby & Netball:** South Petherwin won both the Launceston rugby and netball competitions.
- **Football (Y3/4 & Y5/6):** Our football teams won both the Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 local competitions. Both squads will proudly represent North Cornwall at the upcoming **Cornwall School Games**.
- **FA English Schools Championship:** Our Year 6 football team won the English Schools Cornwall competition and recently traveled to Bristol to represent the entire county at the regional finals.

STEM & Robotics

- **Lego Robotics:** Our Lego team showcased incredible teamwork and engineering skills at the Lego Robotics competition held at **RNAS Culdrose**, bringing home **two major trophies**.

Creative Arts

- **Fowey Festival of Arts and Literature:** Our pupils' talent extends to the literary arts, with one of our children winning **first prize** for their writing at the prestigious Fowey festival.

Professional Practice and Ethos

Beyond our student achievements, South Petherwin School is recognised for its excellent professional practice. We are proud to play a role in developing the next generation of educators by supporting trainee teachers from **Plymouth Marjon University**.

Our fantastic ethos and culture remain the bedrock of everything we do, ensuring that every child is supported to achieve their full potential in a safe, nurturing, and ambitious environment.

On behalf of the staff and pupils, I would like to thank the Parish Council for your continued support of our school community.

How can the Parish help us?

1. We are looking to add to the strength of our governing body. Particularly by adding representation outside of family stakeholders. Is there anybody from the Parish who would like to join our governing body or would like more information about what the role entails?
2. Our school playground area which is used for the community outside of school hours is repaired and inspected by the school and its contractors. Are the council able to help financially towards this upkeep?

Parish Magazine

We are currently working on our 134th issue. We would like to thank the Parish Council for the grant from the Wind Turbine Fund, which covers the printing of three issues. Each magazine is about £1 to produce. Even though it is also put on the website, the committee firmly believe that we should maintain a print copy as this gives accessibility to all. We have heard from parishioners who rely on the information (especially the events) that are in it.

We receive all our articles and photos from parishioners and we are never short of copy. There truly are a wide variety of clubs, organisations and events going on in our parish. We could always do with new members on our committee, so please come and have a chat if you're interested in that, or perhaps being a distributor.

I would personally like to thank the team of volunteers who either work on the committee to produce the magazine or deliver it around the parish. Without volunteers – like so many organisations in the parish – we wouldn't be able to continue.

Website

Since May 2021, we have had over 72,000 views and nearly 30,000 users. We encourage people to sign up to the email distribution list which means they receive notifications of news as it happens. We have a page for all clubs and societies – if you want to add/update yours please let us know. The Partners Page is where our magazine advertisers can advertise for a small annual fee. This all helps to pay for the website administration.

Just a note that the Parish Council now have their own separate website, which has details of forthcoming meetings, agendas and minutes plus policies and financial documentation.

St Paternus Church, South Petherwin

On behalf of the PCC of St Paternus, I would like to thank the Parish Council for the help and support given, especially to the Church Tower, the Clock and the churchyard. Special thanks to John Ashdown and Sue Vernon for keeping the flag flying, to Andy Crocrombie for repairs and to Simon and Abbie for winding the clock and the chimes. And to the Village Hall committee for their support.

This Grade 1 listed building built on medieval remains is both an asset and a challenge! Urgent repairs are needed and there is a danger of the building being closed. I was delighted and encouraged by the response at the consultation meeting on 11th April. As a result we have a small project team taking forward plans for fund raising, a small group willing to help with events, cleaning and grant applications. The fund raising began last November with a concert that raised just over £800 this along with gifts, donations and regular planned giving has begun our Building maintenance and restoration fund. The planned events for this year are 2 concerts, a Garden Party and some other ideas in the pipeline.

The Vision statement agreed by the Project Team and the PCC is

Our vision is to preserve and renew our church which is a Grade 1 listed building with significant historic interest. We would aim to retain a welcoming, safe, and inspiring space at the heart of our community.

More than a place of worship, our church serves as a gathering point for people of all ages and backgrounds, hosting community support and cultural events.

Through essential repairs, we aim to protect the heritage and integrity of our building while ensuring it remains accessible, sustainable, and fit for future generations.

By restoring this space, we will continue to foster connection, compassion, and shared purpose, strengthening both our congregation and the wider community we serve.

We envisage a church that not only honours its past but actively supports the present and invests in the future: a place where everyone feels welcomed, valued, and uplifted.

The regular weekly worshipping congregation is very small; there is a weekly mid week communion each Wednesday at 11am and Communion services on the second and fourth Sundays. The special services at Christmas and other times through the year are well attended. The donations from the First Saturday coffee mornings the services and fees from Weddings and Funerals maintain the day-to-day expenses of Electricity, Insurance and the Diocesan Mission and Ministry Fund.

A grant of £1100 from the Diocese enabled us to purchase 2 space heaters to heat the space at the back of church and made our coffee mornings cosier!!

The next step is to treat the aggressive Dry Rot and that begins on May 18th.

The Diocesan architect, Chris Hunter of Scott & Co has submitted a specification of works, and we are in the process of obtaining quotations and applying for grant funding along with fund raising to raise the £30k for urgent remedial work of replacing the guttering and downpipes.

We hope to continue to work together with the Methodist church providing community events such as the Community Christmas Carol service, the Remembrance Service, The Village Nativity and any other opportunities we have to work and worship together.

Olive Stevens
Rev Canon Olive Stevens
Assistant Rural Dean in Trigg Major Deanery

SPAG (South Petherwin Allotments)

Secretary's Report for Activities in 2025

2025 was a quiet year at the Allotments.

There were no Work Days this year.

We welcomed new plot holders in Abbie and Josh on plot 1, Matthew and his son Hamilton on plot 2 and Michael on 12a.

It was an extremely dry year, with all the IBC's running very low over the summer. Not a great year for crops, except fruit. Like the rest of the Country there was an abundance of fruit.

No one else came forward offering to take on the role of Secretary and so Sam continued to act in that capacity throughout the year, as well as being the Treasurer.

New Tenancy Agreements were issued to all tenants with the requirement to sign and return the final page. Unfortunately some seem to have gone missing as only 5 are on file. We will contact those we do not have copies for and ask them to complete a replacement.

Maintenance Report 2025

The mower is currently broken and so needs repair as well as its annual servicing. Andy will price up the parts.

Strimmer needs servicing. Andy will also look out for a slightly smaller strimmer, as some people find the current one too heavy to use.

The shed will need some work this year. It will need painting and the guttering looked at. It also needs a good tidy. Plot holders will be contacted and asked that if they have any of their own tools stored in the shed, that they please label them, as we will be sorting all the SPAG tools and if not labelled, it will be assumed that items are SPAG property and may be disposed of.

Fence posts at the far end need looking at and some will need replacing.

Picnic benches are also coming to the end of their life. A grant search will be done to see if any funding is available to replace them with more durable ones.

First Aid kits need checking and restocking.

We will try having a list of communal jobs will be put up on the notice board and things like paint and brushes kept in the shed so that people can complete jobs when they are able to, rather than having a work day. If this doesn't work, a work day may need to be arranged.

Plot holders to also be reminded about the Mowing Rota and of the shed padlock combination.

South Petherwin Cake and Rakers

8 years into the project and we are beginning to see real benefits. Approximately fifteen trees donated by the forest for Cornwall and planted last year, have taken well, as has the mixed wildlife hedge. The area of the closed churchyard that has the most visited graves is now kept fully accessible having been mowed consistently over the years by volunteers, allowing what was a very tufty area to become manageable again, and the pattern of winding paths through the longer grasses has been maintained and become an expected part of visiting the churchyard and its graves. We have been able to add two benches for the benefit of anyone wishing to rest a moment.

Following a meeting with both the Cormac partnership office Rebecca Dickson and Kelly Strange, Urban Ranger, it was agreed that it would be beneficial for Kelly to scythe each of the scheduled cuts and for the regular teams to continue keeping the edges tidy. So far this has worked extremely well and it was such a pleasure to see, (and hear), the churchyard being scythed. We found this significantly more straightforward to rake afterwards as well and many commented on the quality of the hay, so maybe we can think about passing this on to others in the future. The first rake of the year was celebrated with a picnic in the church.

SPCR would like to thank the volunteers that make this such an enjoyable and worthwhile experience.

From tree warden

In praise of the hedge

There's no such thing as average weather any more, nor even 4 seasons a year. National hedge week, which has just passed, encourages us to value our natural hedges and their part in mitigating the worst effects of climate change.

A hedgerow of natural trees can reduce wind speed, provide cover in storms, and offer shade in hot weather. They provide a nutrient rich browse and provide natural supplements for livestock. Trees also help heal the land itself, by reducing water-logging and stabilising the soil to avoid run off. They support beneficial pollinators and provide a habitat for wildlife. Best of all, unlike fences, all these advantages increase as they grow - with no help from us at all. And, as if this isn't enough, they calm stock, improve our well-being, - and make our countryside beautiful.

Dark Skies

There are two key things, other than water, that affect life, and that's temperature and light. Humanity is changing both of those.

Night-time is changing just as much as daytime, and one of the most profound ways is through artificial lighting.

There is increasing awareness of the impact that light pollution can have on wildlife. It interrupts natural rhythms including migration, reproduction and feeding patterns.

Cornwall contributes less light pollution than most of Britain because it has no major cities, motorways or large sporting venues, and streetlights are turned off or dimmed between midnight and 5am in many areas.

But we must play our part, too, by reducing the brightness and timing of light in our gardens, and work places.

Then, when you're enjoying the constellations at night, there could be plenty of stars of the animal world for you to find too!

SOUTH PETHERWIN FLOWERPOT FESTIVAL 2026

This year, this parish event will be held **14th-22nd August 2026**. We have moved the dates again, to avoid the bank holiday, and a bit earlier so that hopefully more produce will be ready. As previously, it will culminate in a **Craft & Produce Show at the Village Hall on Saturday 22nd August**.

This will be the last year we run the flowerpot creations, as we feel this part of the event has run its course. We will definitely keep the Craft & Produce Show going, as this has gone from strength to strength.

There are other events during the week, such as a quiz, Meet the Crafters, and a cream tea in the church.

The whole school will be involved again, with craft and handwriting. All their handiwork and creations will be exhibited in the church, along with other Young Exhibitor classes.

We would like to thank the Parish Council for the grant from the Wind Turbine fund, and our generous local businesses who have already pledged prizes for the event.

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Report on Launceston Medical Centre PPG

The PPG held its AGM in January, and members agreed on the following priorities for 2026:

- Exeter Street Health Inequalities Hub
- Dementia Care
- Renal Dialysis Unit in Launceston

The Launceston Health Hub is a dedicated space on Exeter Street which provides health and wellbeing services in the heart of our community. A variety of organisations from the social, health and voluntary sectors work from the Hub, offering a more holistic approach to wellbeing. This takes some pressure off the local GP and hospital services, freeing them up for more complex clinical appointments. To access the services offered at the Hub, you need to be registered with Launceston, Callington or Gunnislake GP practices. Social prescribing and Veterans support is offered at the Hub, as well as substance abuse, eating disorders, domestic abuse, weight clinics, and much more. Peer support groups for patients with lived experience are supported there too. So far, 19 Hub volunteers have been trained by Cornwall Council as Peer Group Leaders.

There is a regular drop-in every Thursday between 9.30am and noon offering an informal chat and a cup of tea. There is support for housing, benefits, education, energy, cost of living, etc. It is a welcoming space for valuable networking.

<https://www.facebook.com/p/The-Health-Hub-Launceston-medical-centre-and-Tamar-Valley-Health-61573032576876/>

Launceston Medical Centre PPG has supported the Health Hub and the Social Prescriber since its beginnings. The Hub relies on funding and we lobby and advocate for it to continue through our various connections in Cornwall.

We have an aging population in the southwest and dementia care is a vital service with growing demand. Those caring for people living with dementia need support too as it can be so distressing to see a loved one suffer. The Memory Café at Launceston Methodist Church offers support to all in need, and is run by our much respected PPG member, Cym Downing.

We used to have a Renal Dialysis Unit in Launceston but we lost this important lifesaving service some years ago. Patients now have to travel to Holsworthy or Derriford for dialysis many times a week. We have lobbied MPs for years on this topic and our current MP Ben Maguire is supporting our efforts, his father being a retired GP.

The PPG has a regular column in 'Launceston Life' where we have conducted interviews with Launceston Medical Centre staff. We have interviewed a Patient Advisor, a GP, and a Dispensary worker. The one-to-ones have been illuminating and given greater understanding of the work that goes on day to day in the Medical Centre.

With the NHS 10 Year Plan moving services from analogue to digital, hospital to community, and sickness to prevention, many patients are finding the changes confusing. The PPG is helping the Medical Centre to hold open events locally where patients can be assisted with filling in the KLINIK form for appointments and prescriptions. There is now a kiosk in the Medical Centre waiting area where patients can be guided through the form by professional staff members. Appointments can still be made by phone and at Reception by right.

Various surveys have been carried out by PPG members at vaccination clinics and in the waiting room, and data has been fed back to the Practice Manager. Improvements in service have been made as a result of the patient voice. Simple actions like providing seating in the Dispensary waiting area was very welcome. Patients waiting for prescriptions could wait in the general waiting area but they were concerned about missing their turn or not hearing their name being called. Another request was for better communication and more accessible information about services and medication. The practice is working on web site improvements and showing more information on the waiting room screens.

Patient advisors are receiving customised training to better understand patient needs. This is a difficult job and needs support.

The PPG has had guest presentations at our meetings which have been extremely valuable. A team from Tesco Pharmacy explained their working practices and answered members' questions. At our last meeting, Mr Les Whaley, a volunteer hospital driver with AgeUK, explained how the service worked and how necessary it was in our rural area to transport patients to Derriford or further. More volunteers are desperately needed. Les has also been in contact with our MP Ben Maguire regarding volunteer hospital driving and the issue has been raised with the Minister at the Treasury with a response promised.

<https://www.volunteercornwall.org.uk/transport>

The PPG had some funds available from kind donations left over from Covid. Members agreed to offer the funds to the Medical Centre for 24-hour blood pressure monitoring equipment. This was gratefully accepted.

PPG members are always ready to receive feedback from patients and present generic issues to the Practice Manager. Specific issues, however, are dealt with by the practice.

Joan Heaton



South Petherwin ringers

Malcolm Wright, Tower Captain, annual report 2026

The band has managed to ring on most Monday practice nights during the past year. However, the evenings now rely heavily on ringers from different towers who supplement our own small band. A combination of injuries and illness makes it increasingly difficult to gather enough members to ring for Sunday services.

We now have two learners. They are progressing well, but it will be some weeks before they are able to participate in group ringing.

The bells are still in good condition, and visiting groups have commented on their quality, one group in particular – from Devon – asserting that they were the best set of their tour of some twelve local towers.

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