



***Illogan Parish Council***

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**2022/2023**

## Chairman's Report – Cllr David Ekinsmyth



The last year has been the second of the current four-year term of Illogan Parish Council exactly halfway through and a good time to reflect on progress. It has also been the first full year since the lock-down and pandemic regulations necessarily changed our methods of operation. We have continued delivering the services required whilst moving forward with new developments.

The Parish Council continues to be consulted on local planning applications, develop planning policies and processes, and make informed comments as a statutory consult. This has not been easy as the legislation has seen various changes as the Government seeks to achieve maximum house building. The Planning Committee ensures these responses follow closely the principles laid out in the Illogan Neighbourhood Plan and give appropriate emphasis to environmental concerns.

The Council is also guided by the objectives laid out in the Parish Plan and this is currently being reviewed to celebrate achievements to date and recognise matters still to be actioned and set new priorities. The Council is keen to continue raising its profile accessibility to our local community and provide all necessary facilities for this.

The Council finally took possession of the new Parish Office and Community Room in Illogan Park and is operating from it. This is a testament to the determination and hard work of many people but particularly the staff and councillors who continuously championed the project over several years. The facilities in the Park itself have been enhanced and upgraded and public toilets provided. Easy access is now available to the whole community with the new car park and perimeter path. The aim is to provide something for everyone and the work continues.

The office is open five days a week and our Clerk and Assistant, Sarah and Emma welcome any callers and enquiries about events in the Community Room. All Council meetings are now held there, the first time we have had our own facilities. Thanks to the Old School for housing us in the interregnum following the on-line experience in the pandemic.

The number of events organised and supported by the Council has increased over this year and included the celebrations for the Platinum Jubilee of the late Queen and the new King's Coronation. In between there were well attended Xmas events and the opening of the new facilities in the Park already mentioned. Thanks to everyone involved and we aim to facilitate more community events in the future.

Finally my personal thanks to my fellow Councillors and our Clerk and relatively new Assistant for their support and hard work, also including all other volunteers who are essential to enable the Council to function as well as it does.

During the year we lost two experienced, long serving councillors, Lawrence Pavey and Jill Ferret and Veronica Cadby. Their experience and wise counsel will be greatly missed, thanks to them all for their service to the community and we wish them well for the future.

Three new Councillors were co-opted during the year to serve on the Council for the remainder of its term and there is still one vacancy. Welcome to Councillors Kemp, Kelly and Cook.

Overall a year of progress and completion of planned projects but leaving plenty to do moving forward, as the Council takes responsibility for more local services and develops community involvement and activities.

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## Attendance at Full Council Meetings 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

| Councillor      | No. of Meetings Attended | Total Number of Meetings | Percentage of Meetings Attended | Notes                                       |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Veronica Cadby  | 2                        | 10                       | 20%                             | Ceased being a Councillor in November 2022. |
| Dave Crabtree   | 13                       | 14                       | 93%                             |   |
| Gary Cullimore  | 11                       | 14                       | 79%                             |   |
| David Ekinsmyth | 12                       | 14                       | 86%                             |   |
| Jill Ferrett    | 7                        | 10                       | 70%                             | Resigned in November 2022.                  |
| Graham Ford     | 14                       | 14                       | 100%                            |   |
| Paul Holmes     | 7                        | 14                       | 50%                             |   |
| Mike Jobson     | 9                        | 14                       | 64%                             |   |
| Maud Kelly      | 1                        | 1                        | 100%                            | Became a Councillor in February 2022        |
| Sue Kemp        | 13                       | 14                       | 93%                             |   |
| Lawrence Pavey  | 7                        | 9                        | 78%                             | Resigned in November 2022.                  |
| Jean Pollock    | 7                        | 14                       | 50%                             |   |
| Stefan Szoka    | 12                       | 14                       | 86%                             |   |
| Maggie Thompson | 11                       | 14                       | 79%                             |   |
| Geoff Williams  | 12                       | 14                       | 86%                             |   |

## Planning Applications

From May 2022 to May 2023 Cllr Mrs Maggie Thompson was the Chairman of Planning & Environmental Services Committee and Cllr David Ekinsmyth was the Vice Chairman.

In 2023 the Council was consulted on 68 planning applications within the Parish. The Council has taken its responsibilities seriously and each application has been considered on its own merits and in the wider context of the area in which it is situated.

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| New Development:                                 | 10 |
| Demolition and Rebuild:                          | 0  |
| Extensions & Alterations:                        | 26 |
| Work on Trees:                                   | 13 |
| Wind Turbines/Solar panels/Poles/Other Antennas: | 0  |
| Drainage Systems:                                | 0  |
| Certificates of Use:                             | 0  |
| Other:   | 19 |

The Council agreed with Cornwall Council's decisions on 56 planning applications, disagreed with 5, 5 applications were withdrawn and not taken any further and 2 are awaiting decisions.

## Precept

The Precept for 2022/2023 was set at £198,540.

## Accounts Summary

| Cost Centre                        | Receipts        |                 | Payments        |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                                    | Budget          | Actual          | Budget          | Actual          |
| Administration                     |                 |                 | £71,326         | £66,857         |
| Insurance                          |                 |                 | £3,000          | £2,507          |
| Illogan Review                     |                 |                 | £4,284          | £4,598          |
| Office                             |                 |                 | £4,250          | £5,407          |
| Grants and Donations               |                 |                 | £5,500          | £600            |
| Amenities                          |                 |                 | £33,016         | £10,759         |
| Litter Control                     |                 |                 | £8,880          | £9,153          |
| Manningham Wood                    |                 |                 | £8,437          | £11,042         |
| Rosemullion Park Maintenance       |                 |                 | £1,690          | £1,813          |
| Events                             |                 |                 | £5,000          | £4,882          |
| Illogan Park                       |                 |                 | £38,641         | £37,757         |
| Capital Expenditure                |                 |                 | £20,500         | £460,855        |
| Road Safety and Neighbourhood Plan |                 |                 | £0              | £0              |
| Income                             | £198,540        | £240,960        |                 |                 |
| <b>Net Total</b>                   | <b>£198,540</b> | <b>£240,960</b> | <b>£204,524</b> | <b>£616,230</b> |
| <b>VAT</b>                         |                 | <b>£58,241</b>  |                 | <b>£103,580</b> |
| <b>GROSS TOTAL</b>                 |                 | <b>£299,201</b> |                 | <b>£719,810</b> |

## Grants

The Council is committed to supporting and helping local community groups improve the quality of life for residents of the Parish. One way it does this is by providing grants. The Council's Grant Award Policy aims to ensure that all grant applications are treated equally and fairly and that grants awarded provide value for money; that all awards are within the legal powers of the Council; and that the grant process is open and transparent.

In 2022/2023 the Council provided grant funding to:

£400 to Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) Cornwall, to assist with the provision of free and confidential advice about debt, benefits, housing, employment and relationship breakdowns.

£200 to The Old School Centre towards kitchen equipment

## **Overview of the Year**

### **The Council**

Illogan Parish Council have seen several personnel changes in the office with Jean retiring, Anne being taken on as a temporary administration assistant to cover maternity leave and Emma joining as a permanent Assistant to the Clerk.

There have been several changes in Councillors with Lawrence and Jill resigning, Veronica losing her seat and Maud being co-opted as a Councillor.

Officers and Councillors work hard to make improvements to the local area for the benefit of the residents.

### **Illogan Park**

Many improvements have been made to Illogan Park. The perimeter path was installed along with benches and picnic tables. The pirate ship has had new surfacing. The Parish Office and Community Room was craned into position alongside a new car park and some impressive looking planters. For the first time ever, Illogan Parish Council are not renting office space and have an amazing community room to share with everyone.

Unfortunately, there has been several incidences of anti-social behaviour and vandalism. The Council are doing everything they can to deal with these issues, including the installation of CCTV, an out of hours call answering service and security patrols.

The Park is looking better than ever, although there is still room for improvement. We haven't finished yet.



### **Manningham Wood**

A lot of maintenance has been completed in the Wood, some involving specialist machinery. The tree safety survey was completed, and an updated management plan was compiled.

A bench was installed in The Platt to commemorate the Queens Platinum Jubilee. A well-attended event was held on The Platt to unveil the bench.

### **Governance of the Council**

The Governance Review Committee continue to annually review all of the Councils policies, procedures and risk assessments.

## Christmas Lights Switch On Events

The 2022 Christmas Lights Switch On Events were bigger and better than ever.

For the first time, the Tolvaddon event was held at Tolvaddon Fire Station with the amazing help of the fire fighters. Santa and his Reindeer were given a lift to the event in a fire engine, complete with blue flashing lights. The grotto was beautiful and very busy with Santa giving a gift to all of the children present. There were refreshments available and entertainment from Illogan Sparnon Silver Band, Vox Dance and The Maids of Melody.

The Illogan Event was held in Illogan Park with craft stalls in the Community room. Santa paraded to the Park Camborne Youth Band and the children of Illogan School and their lovely lanterns. Santa had a grotto in the office and all the children were given a present. There were carols from Illogan Community Choir and Camborne Youth Band.

The event at Park Bottom was held outside the New Inn. The landlords provided mulled wine and mince pies and Park Bottom Stored gave out pasties. There were carols from Camborne Youth Band.

