

Tywardreath and Par Neighbourhood Plan Parish Launch Event

Chatting, listening and sharing opinions were high on the agenda at the annual Tywardreath and Par Parish Meeting on Thursday 6th April. Local residents, Parish Councillors and volunteers on the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group all met up in the Pavilion at Par Athletics Track for the first in a series of consultation events which will be running over the spring and summer.

There was plenty of feedback with lots of ideas for how to improve the parish...

More affordable homes for young couples in full-time residence		
No more second homes.	Footpaths	Children's play areas -vital for children!
Control development in the countryside	Sort out speeding in Tehidy Road	
Put solar panels on new homes	(Stop) Dog mess in the dunes	

“What makes our parish special?” also prompted a good response

Par Sands local nature reserve	Peace and quiet	Dog friendly beach
Green spaces	Running Track, playing fields, football pitches	Good pubs
Good local shops (PO, coffee, library, supermarkets)		Treesmill walks
Mainline Railway Station	Sense of community and people prepared to work at it.	

As the participants looked at the displays and enjoyed the delicious refreshments, it became clear that the development of the Neighbourhood Plan is an ambitious project. The process can take 2 years or more; most of the work is done by volunteers as resources are limited; the scope can be vast, covering all kinds of issues such as housing, business and tourism, the protection of beaches and countryside, renewable energy and promoting the health and well-being of the local community. The Neighbourhood Plan must respect the policies within the Cornwall Local Plan, but it is a wonderful opportunity for the community to shape development in the Parish in a way that respects local needs and preferences.

All in all, this was a good first consultation event and it is only the beginning.

Coming soon

In the next few weeks everyone living in the Parish will get a leaflet and survey through the door. Please read the leaflet, come to consultation events, fill out and return the survey. Above all, the success of the Neighbourhood plan depends on the voices of local people being heard, so do get involved and keep our Parish special.