TYWARDREATH & PAR PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

What's been happening over the summer?

The Neighbourhood Plan Section on the Parish Council website has been updated: <u>https://www.tywardreathandparparishcouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplan.php</u> Steering Group members have been busy, busy, busy drafting policies for the Neighbourhood Plan, based on evidence from community consultation.

You said that Heritage and the natural environment e.g. elements such as unpolluted air and a peaceful, quiet environment; St Andrew's Rd. Pond and Nature Reserve aka "Par Duck Pond"; and Par Beach are distinctive features of our parish. We are drafting policies which will protect and enhance the natural environment and wildlife as well as preserve our heritage e.g. policies on Local Green Space Designation, Biodiversity, Tranquil Areas, Views, and Heritage.

You said that accessibility for all is really important e.g. for small children, for those pushing buggies and wheelchair users.

We are drafting various policies which highlight the issues and include suggestions on how accessibility might be improved, including on footpaths, pavements and streets, where funding allows and on new developments.

You said that meeting the housing needs of local residents on low incomes is a priority and that you wish to see a development boundary re-instated. We are drafting policies to encourage the provision of relatively affordable housing for local residents; and a development boundary is one way of keeping land prices down to a point where this is a real possibility.

Other draft policies include: Flood Risk Management; Business, Tourism and Transport; Community, Health and Wellbeing. When the first drafts are finished, the policies will be examined by Cornwall Council and statutory consultees like the Environment Agency: **you too** will have another chance to comment. We will then amend the policies and an external examiner checks them at national level to ensure they are in line with other legislation. Finally, it is decision time as parish residents vote in a referendum on whether the Neighbourhood Plan should be adopted. So, we have some way to go yet!

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