

# 2015 Annual Parish Reports 2016

So what exactly have I been doing over the past twelve months? Well I can assure you that I have certainly been kept busy working on your behalf. On becoming your councillor I promised that I would deal with your issues promptly, and lack of information or action was a thing of the past. Those of you who have sought my help over the past three years are well aware that replies to your issues have been speedy, usually within 48 hours, and you have been kept informed of all developments as they happen with copies of correspondence. On most concerns raised I have been successful, but in those I haven't, I have always been honest with my answers. Although you may not have been happy, you have known the reasons why it was not possible.

For the summer of 2015 the main issues were the concerns of the parish residents living both north and south of the A30 over proposed traffic routes connected with the road works. Blisland definitely had the greatest number of concerns, and much effort was put in, by myself and other parishioners in following up the issues raised by a very large number of those living in Blisland, Helland and St Breward parishes. I received some criticism from certain members of Cornwall Highways for my work on your behalf, but as I clearly stated in the press at the time, you elected me to work on your behalf and at that time I



*Chris with Steve & Alex of Lanivet PC*

was representing your concerns and issues, both of which were causing some of you great consternation. Eventually after some of these issues were addressed, the public were happy to accept that in the long run it was for the better.

At the turn of the year, for over three months the severe and long-term weather issues certainly kept me busy. All seven of my parishes; Blisland - Cardinham - Helland - Lanhydrock - Lanivet, Nanstallon and Withiel between them had a huge number of flooding issues caused by blocked drains, gullies and culverts, resulting in Cornwall Council having probably the biggest workload for many years. Pot holes filled with water causing chaos by lifting tarmac from the road surface.

The road surface conditions around the Blisland and Cardinham parishes suffered greatly from the additional traffic using it as a result of the A30 Temple scheme, whilst the Lanivet / Nanstallon parishes suffered from atrocious road conditions caused by massive deposits of mud and debris left by a few irresponsible agricultural workers. Photographs of these conditions appeared in the press. Between mid - December and the end of February I dealt with over one hundred and thirty emails on issues connected to the extreme weather conditions, all of which were resolved and replies sent to each complainant.

Apart from the above listed issues, a sample of the variety of other concerns and issues I have dealt with this year include (in no particular order);

Bridge repairs to Ruthern, Helland & Lanhydrock bridges - Housing - School parking - Waste bins - Many local planning matters - Resurfacing of residential roads at Lanivet - Residential flooding - Private environmental issues - Fly Tipping - Noise issues - Cemetery flooding - Bridle paths - Street Lighting - Dangerous trees - Rat infestation - Village traffic problems - Road signage - identifying land ownership - plus quite a few others. **Continued over .....**