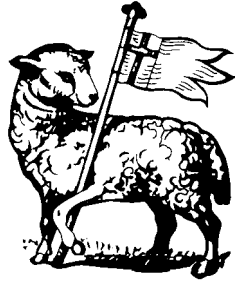


**REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL**



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# **Annual Report for the Council Year 2006/2007**

**The Chambers  
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Redruth  
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## INTRODUCTION

Welcome to our Annual Report.

It is the Town Council's policy to be open and informative. In it you will find a set of financial accounts showing how the Council spends money on your behalf.

Working with the Chamber of Commerce the 'Redruth Pavilion' was a very successful venture at the Royal Cornwall Show and won first prize as the best new multi use exhibit. The certificate and trophy are on display in the Council Chambers. Our purpose in exhibiting was to promote the town and was a successful mix of businesses in the town and non-business attractions such as the Murdoch Flyer, Tregellas Tapestries and the Global Migration project; all reported that there was much interest expressed by the visitors and those town residents at the show.

We have completed the remaining steps towards our goal of achieving 'Quality Parish Status' (which will lead to the Council having additional responsibilities and powers) and it is expected that the Council will be able to apply during June 2007.

During the year the town has suffered severe disruption as the Public Realm Works proceeded. The Town Council has worked with the agencies and the Chamber of Commerce to try to minimise this and to ensure that wherever possible the agencies were made aware of the needs of the town residents and traders during the difficult times. We were not always successful in this but not through lack of effort.

Early this year we were able to conclude an agreement with the Passport Service for them to bring one of the two Passport Offices planned for Cornwall to Redruth. This was a major coup and we are hopeful that this will bring people into Redruth who have not been before and will then return.

During the year the Council continued to support a number of community based organisations making a number of monetary awards.

The work of the Council has been achieved through dedicated hard work from the Council's staff and Councillors, some of whom did not stand for re-election in the May 2007 elections. I thank them all for their work, as without it we would achieve nothing.

We hope you will find this Annual Report useful and informative, any suggestions as to how we can improve it for the future are welcome.



Councillor John Hayward  
Mayor of Redruth

**GENERAL INFORMATION**  
**THE YEAR UNDER REVIEW**  
**FULL COUNCIL**

The Council Year began in May when at our Annual General Meeting Councillor John Hayward was re-elected as the Town Mayor for a second term of office, with Councillor Mrs Barbara Ellenbroek elected as his Deputy.

Although the majority of the Council's work is carried out in committee, the Council meetings are nonetheless busy. During the year we have given support to the threatened hospital closures and reduction in services in the NHS in the County; the retention of 771 Search & Rescue Squadron at RNAS Culdrose; and the Redruth Charity Trust Sports Awards. We have written expressing our concerns about the proposed Cornwall County Council's Integrated Waste Management Contract; the scaling down of the Post Office network and the potential closure or reduction in services of the Redruth Tax office, and will continue to try to influence these matters. We have agreed to do whatever we can to promote energy efficiency as our part in the Climate Change debate. We also gave full support and help to the Gorseth Kernow which was held in the town on a very wet Saturday in September.

The Minutes of all Council and committee meetings are available for inspection at the Council offices, or by downloading from our website ([www.redruth-tc.gov.uk](http://www.redruth-tc.gov.uk)). More importantly, members of the public are reminded that there is a 15-minute period at the start of each Council meeting where you are free to speak to the Council about matters relating to the parish, and we encourage you to make use of this opportunity.

**COMMITTEES**

There are three main Committees of the Council each consisting of at least four members. Reports on the activities of each of the committees follow:

**AMENITIES COMMITTEE**

Chairman – Councillor Keith Dinham

Vice-Chairman – Councillor Stephen Barnes

The Amenities Committee consist of the following Councillors:

Councillor Stephen Barnes

Councillor James Carroll

Councillor Keith Dinham

Councillor Mrs Barbara Ellenbroek

Councillor Mrs Susan Fowler

Councillor John Hayward

Councillor Christopher Mason

Councillor Keith Old

The Amenities Committee is responsible for the Council Building; all Public Footpaths (in consultation with Cornwall County Council); Coach Lane Allotments; all Parks & Play areas (in consultation with KDC); the management of St Rumon's Gardens; the Town Clock; Bus Shelters and Public Seats.

Once again this year the committee was responsible for providing the Floral Displays in the town, and we hope you were as pleased with them as we were. In addition to the involvement in the public realms works in the town, we contributed £5000 towards the Trefusis Road Playing Fields project, and also towards the enhancements to the access and water facilities at Coach Lane allotments. The committee were particularly pleased with this project as it was organised and run by the Growers Association who manage the allotments on behalf of the Council. The committee continues work

towards the re-introduction of a street market for the town, and now that the regeneration work is nearing completion it is hoped that this can be achieved in the near future. We also played a significant role, both as a consultee and with a financial contribution towards the newly introduced Drinking Alcohol in Designated Places Order that came into force throughout the district last September.

## **FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE**

Chairman – Councillor John Hayward

Vice-Chairman – Councillor Mrs Susan Fowler

The Finance & General Purposes Committee consist of the following Councillors:

Councillor Miss Patricia Aston

Councillor Henry Biscoe (from 15/5/06)

Councillor Mrs Judy Davidson (from 15/5/06)

Councillor Michael Eddowes

Councillor Mrs Barbara Ellenbroek

Councillor Mrs Susan Fowler

Councillor John Hayward

Councillor Christopher Mason

Councillor Keith Old

The Finance & General Purposes Committee is responsible for all matters relating to our employees; the finances of the Council; all matters relating to policy and the general administration of the Council.

The committee was once again responsible for the town's celebration in Murdoch Day, and a very successful day it was with plenty of good weather to help things go well. In addition to consultation on the public realms works, we have had a major influence in the proposed lighting of the Town Clock and the committee looks forward to the fruition of this project during the coming municipal year. We have also been kept well informed and indeed played our part in the Heritage Economic Regeneration project in the town. The committee were responsible for again providing the impetus behind the Tourist Information Point in the Cornwall Centre during the summer months and this proved an invaluable resource for visitors. Work commenced on a new Town Guide that will cover the next two years, due for issue in June, and thanks must go to the traders who help fund the guide through advertising. We have also introduced a new Town Council website with lots of information for locals and visitors alike. The committee also undertook work on the agreement with the Passport Office to utilise the ground floor of our building and our participation in the Royal Cornwall Show as outlined in more detail by the Town Mayor in his introduction to this report. The committee has ensured continued dialogue with colleagues around the country by delegating a member to attend the Annual Conference of our national association.

The committee were responsible for the following grants to local organisations:

Camborne-Redruth Sea Cadets	£200
Redruth 55+	£650
Kerrier ASK	£300
Cornwall Rape & Sexual Abuse Centre	£250
WRVS Xmas Meals in Redruth	£180
Redruth Regeneration Group	£360
Chyventon House	£100
Redruth Fun Day	£500
Victim Support Cornwall	£200
Redruth Economic Arts Partnership	£600
First Air Ambulance Trust	£1000
Xmas Goodwill	£1000

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Chairman – Councillor James Carroll

Vice-Chairman – Councillor Ian Thomas

The Planning Committee consist of the following Councillors:

Councillor Henry Biscoe (15/5/06)

Councillor James Carroll

Councillor Mrs Judy Davidson (15/5/06)

Councillor Keith Dinham

Councillor Mrs Sallie Dinham

Councillor Mrs Barbara Ellenbroek

Councillor John Hayward

Councillor Ian Thomas

The Planning Committee meets twice a month and considers all planning applications for the Redruth Parish area. The Town Council is not the planning authority (that is Kerrier District Council) but is a 'statutory consultee'; that is the Town Council has to be consulted on planning issues. The policy of Redruth Town Council on planning is that the Committee considers all plans, those considered to be contentious will be visited by a Member of the Planning Committee to ascertain the views of the local residents and neighbours and a verbal report made at the Planning Committee Meeting. A recommendation will be made and voted upon. This recommendation is submitted to the District Council as the Town Council's consultation response. Members of the public can attend these Committee meetings.

During the year the Planning Committee considered 264 planning applications, the decisions of which were forwarded to Kerrier District Council Planning Committee as recommendations. The committee received a number of notices regarding road closures due to highway maintenance in the parish of Redruth throughout the year. Discussions were held concerning the South West Regional Assembly's consultation on the Draft Regional Spatial Strategy for the South West 2006-2026; the Redruth Corridor Development Framework; Kerrier District Council's Vision, Strategy & Core Policies Development Plan; Camborne Pool Redruth Area Action Plan: a working paper entitled "Alternative Options for Growth – An Assessment of the Alternative Options in the Camborne Pool Redruth Area" and the draft consultation on Interim Transient Workers Planning Policy – Temporary Accommodation on Farms for Transient Workers in Agriculture. Members of the public wrote with concerns regarding the traffic in Falmouth Road which was dealt with by the committee. The committee made decisions regarding the naming of streets within the parish with bilingual names in Cornish. Members attended Licensing training; an Enforcement Workshop and a Parish Workshop at Kerrier District Council and a presentation was held on Tree Preservation Orders by Oliver Bennett of Cornwall County Council. A new process of how planning applications are dealt with between ourselves and Kerrier District Council has been adopted for an initial period of three months whereby all plans will be electronically sent and viewed on Kerrier District Council's website. If successful, the Planning Committee will continue to use this electronic consultation.

## ATTENDANCE RECORDS

The following is a summary of the attendances of Members at Meetings of the Council and it's Committees during the Council Year 2006-2007:

	<b>Council</b>	<b>Amenities</b>	<b>Finance &amp; General Purposes</b>	<b>Planning</b>
<b>No of Meetings</b>	11	5	6	24
<b>Miss P Aston</b>	3		0	
<b>R S Barnes</b>	9	4		
<b>H Biscoe</b>	(10) 8			19
<b>J Carroll</b>	8	5		19
<b>Mrs J Davidson</b>	(10) 8			17
<b>K R Dinham</b>	9	5		19
<b>Mrs S Dinham</b>	9			18
<b>M S Eddowes</b>	10		4	
<b>Mrs B R Ellenbroek</b>	10	3	3	18
<b>Mrs S Fowler</b>	3	3	1	
<b>J Hayward</b>	11	5	5	21
<b>C R Mason</b>	11	3	5	
<b>K Old</b>	10	5	5	
<b>I Thomas</b>	11			22

Note: Figures shown in brackets relate to the number of meetings that the Member could have attended if different from number in first row

## DETAILS OF ALLOWANCES PAID TO MEMBERS

The following Members received allowances for approved duties during the Financial Year 2006-2007

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Cllr Eddowes	£470-00
Cllr Mason	£8-00

## COUNCIL FINANCES

Set out below is a summary of the Council's Income and Expenditure for the Financial Year 2006-2007:

INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Precept	156080	General Administration	83202
Agency services	1498	Agency services	9920
Interest	6652	Grants & Donations	21088
Floral Displays	4400	Murdoch	9032
Tenancies	13039	Capital Expenditure	5315
Other Income	332	Running Costs	23059
		Other Payments	31827
	<u>182000</u>		<u>183443</u>

The slight overspend in year is covered by Reserves held by the Council. Members of the public can view the Annual Return of the Council's Accounts online on the Council's website or contact the office.

## STATISTICS AND INFORMATION

The Council administers a 'third tier authority', and is a parish within the Kerrier District Council area.

The County of Cornwall Wards of Redruth (North) and Redruth (South) and are constituent Wards of the Council; each Ward returning seven Councillors:

In the year under review:

### **Redruth North was represented by:-**

Councillor Stephen Barnes  
Councillor Henry Biscoe (from 15/5/06)  
Councillor Keith Dinham  
Councillor Mrs Sallie Dinham  
Councillor Michael Eddowes  
Councillor Christopher Mason  
Councillor Keith Old

### **Redruth South was represented by:-**

Councillor Miss Patricia Aston  
Councillor James Carroll  
Councillor Mrs Judy Davidson (from 15/5/06)  
Councillor Mrs Barbara Ellenbroek  
Councillor Mrs Susan Fowler  
Councillor John Hayward  
Councillor Ian Thomas

There are about 12352 people residing within the boundary of this Council of which approximately 9626 are registered electors.

The Precept from Kerrier District Council for the current fiscal year is set at £184725. This equates to a sum of approximately £45-64 per household within the year of the Town Council. This money is allocated by Kerrier District Council in the Council Tax and is then passed to the Town Council on demand. The Precept for the past fiscal year was in the sum of £156080.

## ABOUT MEMBERS

Councillor Stephen Barnes is an elected member of Kerrier District Council and Cornwall County Council.

Councillor Michael Eddowes is an elected member of Kerrier District Council.

Councillor Keith Old is an elected member of Kerrier District Council.

Councillor Miss Patricia Aston is an elected member of Kerrier District Council.

### REDRUTH TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES

<u>Councillor</u>	<u>Outside Body</u>
Miss Patricia Aston	Mitchell Committee New Connection Project, Board of Management
Mr Stephen Barnes	Redruth Chamber Town Centre CCTV Working Group Foyer Accommodation Advisory Panel Homezone Redruth North Partnership
Mr Henry Biscoe	NONE
Mr James Carroll	Police Liaison Committee Redruth Twinning Association
Mrs Judy Davidson	NONE
Mr Keith Dinham	HOCTA Redruth Youth Centre Management Committee Redruth Regeneration
Mrs Sallie Dinham	NONE
Mr Michael Eddowes	Redruth Chamber Police Liaison Committee Mitchell Committee Redruth North Partnership
Mrs Barbara Ellenbroek	NONE
Mrs Susan Fowler	HOCTA Police Community Forum
Mr John Hayward	Redruth Twinning Association Community Link Mineral Point Twinning Association Redruth Town Forum
Mr Christopher Mason	CALC ALLCC Redruth Community Centre Association CAB Redruth North Partnership
Mr Keith Old	Redruth Economic Arts Partnership
Mr Ian Thomas	Cornwall Community Volunteer Service



## CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL

1985/1986	J. Ham MBE
1986/1987	R. S. Barnes
1987/1988	C. C. Hailey
1988/1989	C. Lawrence
1989/1990	T. J. Bray
1990/1991	C. Lawrence
1991/1992	M. Mullins
1992/1993	Mrs A. J. Palmer
1993/1994	Mrs W. Lawrence
1994/1995	Mrs E. Wilkinson
1995/1996	Mrs E. Wilkinson

## TOWN MAYORS

1996/1997	M. S. Eddowes
1997/1998	C. Lawrence
1998/1999	C. Lawrence
1999/2000	D. L. Pascoe
2000/2001	D. L. Pascoe
2001/2002	K. Old
2002/2003	Mrs S. Fowler
2003/2004	Mrs S. Fowler
2004/2005	K.R. Dinham
2005/2006	J.T. Hayward
2006/2007	J.T. Hayward

## TOWN CLERKS

1985-1988	W. A. Skewes
1988	V. A. I. Blackmore
1988-1989	M. C. Rowe
1989-1996	D. Pullen
1996- Present	P. B. Bennett

## **YOUR TOWN COUNCILLORS 2007 – 2008**

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Cllr C Bray	20 Trenoweth Estate, North Country, REDRUTH, TR16 4AQ Email: cllrcbray@yahoo.co.uk	07925382279
Cllr Mrs A J Dolley	8 Plain-an-Gwarry, REDRUTH, TR15 1HU Email: Lisadolley8@aol.com	07807787280
Cllr M Eddowes	2 Roseland Gardens, REDRUTH, TR15 1PU Email: meddowes@redruth-tc.gov.uk	01209 215074
Cllr K Old	1 Chapel Terrace, Carn Brea Village, REDRUTH, TR15 3BG	01209 219202
Cllr I Thomas	'Southview', Wheal Mary, REDRUTH, TR16 4BX Email: ianthomas@fire.cornwall.gov.uk	01209 213751
<b>REDRUTH (SOUTH) WARD</b>		
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Cllr J Carroll	'Tynedale', Gweal-an-Top, REDRUTH, TR15 2DR Email: james.carroll11@btinternet.com	01209 214402
Cllr Mrs J Davidson	2 Trevenner Mews, REDRUTH, TR15 1JW	01209 217179
Cllr Mrs B Ellenbroek	'Gwel an Vre', 83A Clinton Road, REDRUTH, TR15 2LT Email: brellenbroek@redruth-tc.gov.uk	01209 314422
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