



Turnchapel Residents' Association

Minutes of the meeting held on 11th July 2024, at The Boringdon Arms, Turnchapel @ 7:30pm

1. Chairs Welcome: by Lorraine Lees – her first meeting as our new Chair!

- Previous Minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting by all present.

2. Apologies:

- Kris the new secretary unfortunately has Covid! Get well soon Kris! Sarah Lee is stepping in to take the minutes today.
- Dave Calderwood? (does he still want to be on the committee?)
- Luc Barbier the Treasurer is away on business. Ruth Barber is stepping in for him. (which leads on nicely to...)

3. Treasurer's Report:

- Ruth Barbier reported on the current accounts which is looking healthy at £4026.97 at the moment. £160 has gone out since last meeting and £50 come in. This has been membership from some households in the village – more households are welcome to contribute. *Copies of the Treasurer's report are available upon request.*
- Ruth provided a brief summary of some of the items that have been identified as part of the #loveturnchapel consultation meetings that Luc has facilitated to gather a list of ideas that villagers would like to see happen in the village, some short-term goals and some longer term aspirations to strive for. Suggestions have included: Flowers and hanging baskets, traffic lights, a plaque for the village, mast and sails in the square, padlock for the tide clock, an Amazon delivery box central to the village for deliveries and collections. *More ideas are welcomed.*
- Cameras around the village was discussed but it was thought that this is only possible if part of a Neighbourhood Watch requirement? *Please can this be added to the #loveturnchapel list @Luc?*
- Speakers and PA system for the village events was discussed as a good idea and investment and could cost up to £1000. *Matt Lee and Matt Bernard to investigate and report back.*
- A Zoom account for the TRA so that online meetings aren't limited in time? *Would Teams or Messenger be a better option?*

4. South West Coast Path Closure (sub committee Michelle, Cathy, Nina, Vic and Jen):

- The SWCPC sub committee are mostly all away today except Jen.
- A substantial amount of research and background work has been undertaken by this group to collect and understand the facts around this issue which has been summarised in *a very useful document that can be shared with anyone upon request*. This is to be completed and then used to discuss the issue with local councillors and MPs to see if a way can be found to 'unlock' the issues surrounding this long-term closure. The path was closed 'temporarily' back in Spring 2020 but there does not seem to be any will or intention to get it reopened. The PCC Right of Way officer has unfortunately been off on long term sick leave which hasn't helped. We don't want this to become forgotten/too difficult and then a permanent closure. *Opinion of method and cost to repair the path is to be sought and added to the document - @Sarah to contact engineering 'friend'*.

5. South West Water issues:

- The unpleasant smells continue... please continue to report repeatedly to SWW directly <https://www.southwestwater.co.uk/household/help-support/report-a-problem>

6. Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan (CAAMP):

- Sarah emailed the council to advise them that Historic England had suggested that we could undertake the CAAMP ourselves but that we need them to be onboard with this approach to ensure that we produce a document which they will be happy to accept and adopt but no reply yet to confirm. Head of Development Management replied to acknowledge the suggestion and didn't say no! but needed to check something before approval, which is still awaited. *Sarah will continue to badger them to get this before we proceed with anything.*

7. Past Events:

- Turnchapel Mermaids completed their epic Cross Channel swim on 25th June in 13 hours and 35 minutes and raised approx. £15,500 for Mencap – the charity's highest single total so far! The Mermaids wanted to send huge thanks to the village for their support in raising this amount!
- Midnight Walk for St. Lukes took place on 12th July and John Gribble was joining in in a luminous pink T shirt – Good luck and well done John!
- Scattering of Paula's ashes out in Plymouth Sound took place by boat on Saturday 13th July with a lovely wake after at the Bori – thank you Rob x
- Matt Lee held a brilliant Summer BBQ (to coincide with his birthday! 😊) on Sat 13th July complete with stage for performers. Thanks to Chris Tester's son George for coming to sing for us and Jake Lee for superb DJ skills!
- Turnchapel Walk of Smiles/summer craft bomb was installed on 20th July. Well done and thank you to all involved – it all looks brilliant and you are all very clever crafters!

8. Future Events/Dates for the diary:

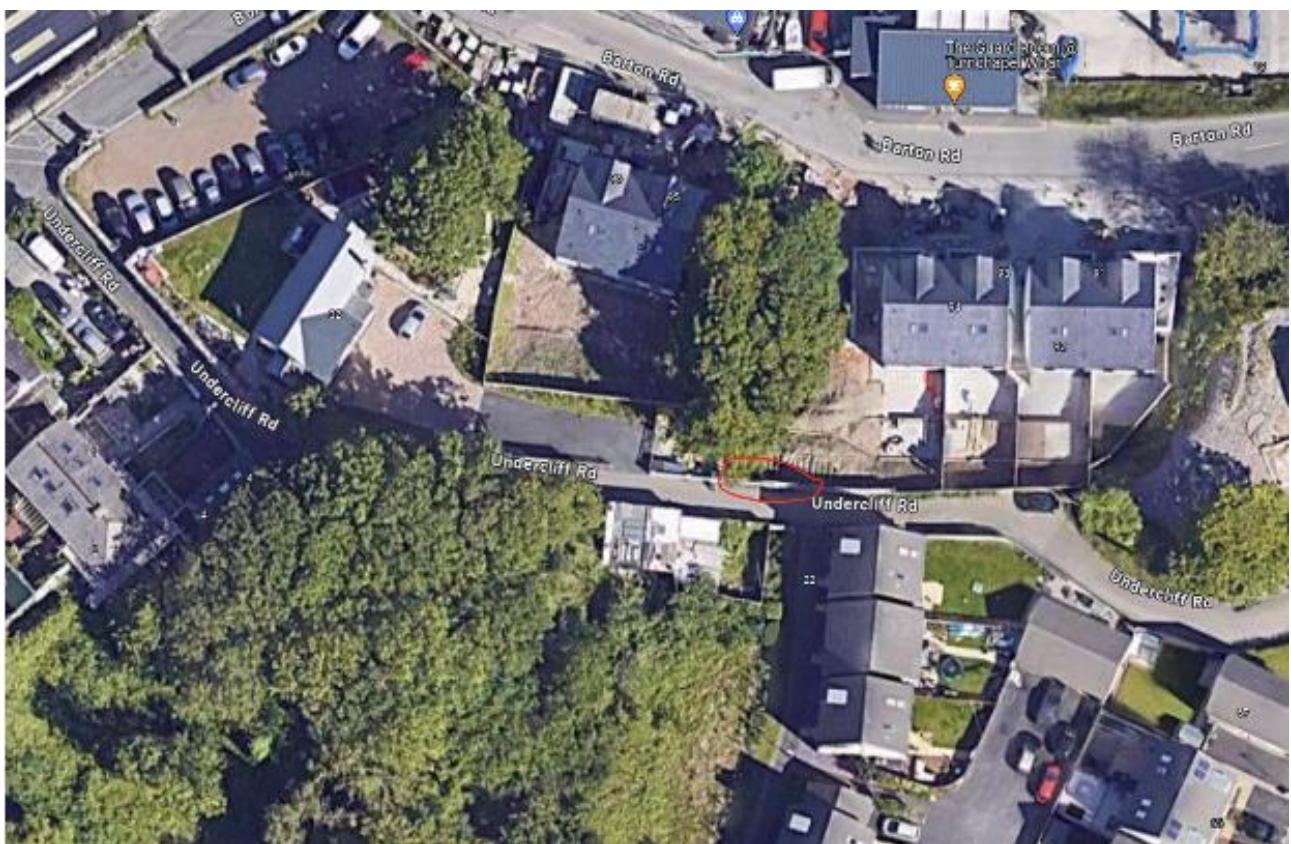
- Turnchapel Sailing Club Regatta is planned for Saturday 31st August.
- Top Garden Task Force tidy up suggested Sunday 8th Sept. *volunteers invited*.
- Pop up beach cinema night may happen in Sept...?! 😊 (not to clash with Saltram outdoor cinema which is happening 12-15th Sept) – Details TBC.
- The next Music Quiz is planned for Sunday 29th Sept at the Bori.
- Oktoberfest? End Sept/early Oct. *Ideas and volunteers invited*.
- Village clean up in October after this?
- Halloween event? Thurs 31st October is in the middle of school's half term week (26th Oct to 3rd Nov). *Ideas and volunteers invited*.
- Christmas Market was discussed. Jordan is happy to support and host in the Bori as long as it's not in December. Last weekend of November was discussed and agreed – Sat 30th Nov suggested. Sarah Lee to check when Fort Stamford are holding their Christmas market. *Volunteers and interested parties/stall holders please come forward and make yourself known!*

9. Village Projects:

- Anthony Eke has a patch of land down below his house on Barton Road which is not useful to him. *Is there anything the village would like to use it for?* Water mains runs through it so can't build anything permanent on it:



- Anthony Eke also has a small rendered garden wall that he would be happy for a new village wall mural to be painted on here:



- Sarah Lee is going to assemble a group of village volunteers to create a wall/mural painting team to come up with some ideas and proposals.
- Amanda Wills and Chris Tester have also expressed interest in hosting future wall murals to brighten up the village and add some intrigue and interest possibly in a smaller Banksy-esque way too...?! More ideas and info to follow...
- The TRA could fund paint through the #loveturnchapel initiative?
- Tide chart in village square? Is this a poster to be replaced each year? *Luc to confirm/clarify*
- Top garden? What's happening with this? Rob Dixon and Jago to be consulted and a weeding/clearing session planned. Sunday 8th Sept was suggested?

10. Any Other Business:

- Joe Radmore has advised the TRA that he has requested a blue history plaque for 'sunset seat' down by Drift cottage.
- Joe Radmore is offering camping and paddleboarding down at Radford Quarry now that the Castle is completed.
- Next Village Clean Up suggested for October after Oktoberfest?
- Thanks to Harriet for organising a brilliant First Aid course from John Gribble.
- Harriet updated all on replies from the Environment Agency and the Emergency services regarding 'lower' Turnchapel (AKA the West End!). Nothing has changed and these bodies are well aware of the situation of restricted access in this location and would send the appropriate vehicles. Recent fire at the Clovelly Bay Inn was dealt with well and efficiently with no further issues raised. An email from the Environment Agency has

been received and they are happy to attend a community engagement event in the village to discuss and help raise awareness of flooding issues and action that can and should be taken in the future – *date to be arranged*.

- Lorraine made our formal condolences public to Rob Buttress at the recent passing of his lovely wife and our beautiful village friend, Paula. Our thoughts are always with you Rob x
- Thanks to Harriet for all that you have done and continue to do for our village, the TRA and committee as our Recent Past Chair!
- Well done to Lorraine for her first meeting as Chair and happy birthday for yesterday!


11. Next meeting:

- Wednesday 23rd October 2024, 7.30pm at the Boringdon Arms