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REPORT TO SALTSH TOWN COUNCIL

Date 11.5.25

Chair's Report



This has been an interesting year for CEPL12. We have had a number of changes of directors over the year. Most recently James Jenkins joined us in January but James has found his other commitments meant he was unable to commit sufficient time and so has resigned. Since then, we have appointed Sharon Bellamy who brings brings both skill and enthusiasm. The search for further directors continues, as we are still quite small in number.

The launch of the Veterans groups has been a great success, and their pop-up pub continues to grow members. The Coffee and Cake sessions at Ashtorre Rock have been popular and funding from Greenwich Hospital and support from Red Bus have transport for those from Greenwich Place and anyone else who requires assistance to attend. They held a fundraiser at the Social Club had around 150 attend where they were entertained by the Fates. They have also arranged events for the 80th celebrations of VE Day, including a traditional street party.

Memory Box continues to be successful, with the singing group being invited to perform at the library and at the May Day celebrations. They are also attending the Cornwall Dementia conference at the County Show Ground, where Rose Edwards has been invited to present on Dementia Friendly Saltash and CEPL12. The MB café celebrated its ninth year in April and continues to be extremely popular.

We have made some minor alterations to the layout of the Shop which will increase the floor area available for displays and we have already attracted some additional traders. We have also received a grant to make some alterations to the cooking area and main room of the Kitchen. This will allow us to improve the efficiency of the Kitchen and reduce our energy usage. The bookcases in the main room are being removed to provide more room around the tables to improve accessibility.

As you may have noticed we have moved the Fridge to be outside the Shop at No 4. We are looking at changing the time of the Tuesday opening to start mid rather than late morning. Posters and social media will keep everyone advised.

At the end of March, Saltash Sailing Club held the last of their series of quiz evenings to raise funds for the Commodore's good cause, which this year was the Community Kitchen. We mustered three teams to join in and took cake, freshly made by the Kitchen Volunteers. Slightly embarrassingly one of our teams took top spot after which the club presented us with a donation of £1,000. Our thanks to SSC for a great evening of quiz questions and the great donation which will go towards continuing the good work of the Kitchen. Between this and the funds raised by our crowdfunder, and the other changes made within the Kitchen have strengthened our financial position and made us secure for the foreseeable future.

We have a couple of events coming up: Pentillie Castle have kindly offered us an open day on the 18th of May at their gardens to raise funds for the Kitchen. This should be a great day out, an opportunity to explore the grounds and to support us. All are welcome. We also have a music event on Friday 20th June 7pm in the Saltash Social Club with Barber shop singers, an a capella group, the Burraton boys and a ukulele band, subject to confirmation. Look out for more on social media and posters in our windows and website.

As ever, we would not be able to do all of this good work without our fantastic volunteers. We have nominated three as hidden heroes and will announce more when the process is complete.

End Of Report

Chris Bailey.

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