

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – Report to Annual Meeting of the Parishioners of  
Saltash.**

During the last 12 months the Chamber has been active in many respects throughout the town.

The Chamber has a remit to support and assist its members who are in business in the town. Our membership includes single people working from home to some of the larger employers in the town and, like other small chambers, is involved in many peripheral activities to try and help businesses.

The Chamber is an active member of Town Team and thereby represents the business community on a forum which also has councillors thereon. The activities of Town Team are reported elsewhere.

The Chamber has also been responsible for organising the Christmas Festival which in 2022 was another great success bringing several thousand people into Fore Street on the first Saturday in December. One of its members, Scraptsore, sponsored the Lantern Parade and helped with the classes in the town's schools where the lanterns were made by the pupils.

The Chamber meets monthly and one of the issues that has concerned members in the last 12 months was the raising of the bridge tolls where we put objections into the consultation. Another issue has been the congestion at Gilston Road and Carkeel roundabout at peak periods. This is an ongoing issue but we are concerned that it will only get worse as more houses are built/become occupied at Treleddan. We continue to make our voice heard as we do with respect to parking issues on the industrial estates where poor parking causes issues for larger delivery vehicles accessing their delivery points.

Totally Local and Fiverfest were two retail trading ventures supported by the Chamber and some members have been considering ways to revitalise the Saltash Card which has proved popular in the past with the Saltash Community.

Peter Ryland

CHAIRMAN