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St Elwyn's Bell Returns With a Ringing Good Story

After a long spell of silence, the bell of St Elwyn's Church is back where it belongs swinging happily in the tower and ringing out across Hayle with renewed vigour. And like all the best Hayle tales, this one involves determination, local heroes, a bit of rust, and a lot of tea.

The adventure began when Taylor's Bell Foundry worked their magic on the headstock, gudgeons and clapper, giving these hardworking parts the equivalent of a spa day. Once refurbished, they were handed over to Cornwall's own bell whisperer, Owen Borlase, who arrived with tools in hand to re-hang the bell with expert care. The PCC has been full of praise for Owen's skill and generosity, and rightly so Cornwall is lucky to have him.

Meanwhile, high in the tower, David has been waging a noble battle against rust. Armed with primer, red oxide paint, and a heroic sense of purpose, he scraped, brushed, and painted the frame until it gleamed. Not content with that, he repainted two tower doors and began repairs on the bell chamber door, proving once again that volunteers are the beating heart of St Elwyn's.

Elizabeth, who has been coordinating the whole project, summed up the moment the bell finally rang again: "The ringing movement is very smooth and the bell is sounding superb. It's been a very good day!" It has one of those quietly joyful days

when a church's history, community, and future all chime together. To celebrate this triumph of teamwork and elbow grease, St Elwyn's is throwing open its doors on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th May for a weekend of bell themed cheer. Cream Teas in the church and churchyard (jam first, naturally) The chance to hear the newly restored bell ring out in all its glory A special Evensong on Sunday 17th May, giving thanks for the restoration and all who made it possible It promises to be a warm, friendly weekend part celebration, part thanksgiving, part excuse for cake. Whether you're a regular, a neighbour, or simply someone who enjoys the sound of a well behaved bell, you're warmly invited to join in.

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Christians such as Cadbury (Birmingham), Fry (Bristol), and Rowntree (York), but the tradition of exchanging eggs as symbols of rebirth goes back centuries.

During Lent, the time leading up to Easter, some Christians often give up treats like chocolate to help them focus more deeply on God and prepare for Easter. The film 'Chocolat' based on the Joanne Harris novel tells the story of a French village where giving up treats has become over emphasised, creating a divided and uncaring community. Eventually this is overturned and the parish priest Père Henri says;

'I think that we can't go around measuring our goodness by what we don't do. By what we deny ourselves, what we resist, and who we exclude. I think... we've got to measure goodness by what we embrace, what we create...and who we include.'

For Christians, after the sorrow and reflection of Jesus' death on the cross on Good Friday, we gather to rejoice and give thanks that Jesus has risen. Easter is a time of renewal and new life when we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, who broke down barriers, healed the hurting and suffering and gave us hope. As we take part in

Easter egg hunts and other traditional Easter activities and welcome the return of spring, it's good to be reminded that light does follow darkness and new life is emerging all around us.



Happy Easter!
 Rev'd Debbie Harris
 Assistant Curate
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The Cafe has had a wonderful first quarter of 2026. We've had some fab entertainment and a variety of activities creating a lot of fun.

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September 7th & 21st

October 5th & 19th

November 2nd & 16th

December 7th (Extended)

Please note that May 18th and December 7th are extended sessions.

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Kind regards
Christine



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The heart of the community Village halls and community centres are sometimes easy to overlook, yet they are often the very heart of rural life. They provide welcoming spaces where people can meet, build friendships and access activities or services that may not otherwise be available locally. In Angarrack, we

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are fortunate to have a thriving Community Centre that brings residents and visitors together for social, recreational and educational activities.

The Angarrack Community Centre was established in December 2005, when its constitution was adopted and signed at a public meeting. It was created through a collaboration between the Methodist Church and village residents, who shared a commitment to preserving the building and ensuring it remained viable for modern-day use. Their vision secured not only the future of the former Sunday School building but also strengthened the future of the church. The building

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who have spent many months carrying out extensive renovation work. The roof was replaced, new windows were installed, rotten flooring was renewed and the electrics were modernised. Thanks to their hard work and determination, the building was successfully completed and officially opened in 2006. The main room was named in honour of Sid Perry, a longstanding resident and church stalwart, recognising his contribution to village life.

Today, nearly twenty years on, the Community Centre continues to flourish. Its day to day running and maintenance are overseen by a committee of volunteers who

give their time to ensure the building remains welcoming and well cared for. The centre hosts a wide range of weekly activities, including art classes, Pilates, yoga and craft groups, as well as a helicopter flying club. Coffee mornings, birthday parties and community celebrations are also often held there.

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Well, our seventh pantomime “Sinbad” had its setbacks I must admit. We sadly lost our new Director and another junior member, in January, through health and transport problems. Lin and I took over the task, with Lin also doing prompt, as our regular prompt is sadly busy over the show dates. Then on the 2nd of March, with 5 weeks to “Curtain Up”, we lost one of our principal players, due to family health problems.



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It also makes it harder for Lin to write suitable scripts.

So, if you feel the need to get out and meet people, have a bit of fun, why not come along, join us at the Hayle Day Care Centre on Monday evenings at 7.30. Our next meeting after the Easter show will be on the 20th of April. We're having a two-week break after Sinbad.

All ages are welcome from 7yrs to 90s. Juniors must be accompanied at all times by a parent or Legal

Guardian. Your first visit is free and weekly subscriptions after are £2.50 for adults and £1 for juniors.

Come along to have a look, you never know, you could well be one of our future stars.

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Our recent quiz night at the Quay House was well attended and we wish to thank all involved for their support. Although we are now small in number we are a very dedicated

team that supports and helps all local needs. Most recently we helped with the repair cost at the local bowls club with storm damage.

The Hayle Lions meet at Passmore Edwards Institute 7:30pm the second Tuesday of each month.

If you have any questions or queries please pop in there is always a warm welcome plus a cuppa and biscuits on offer.

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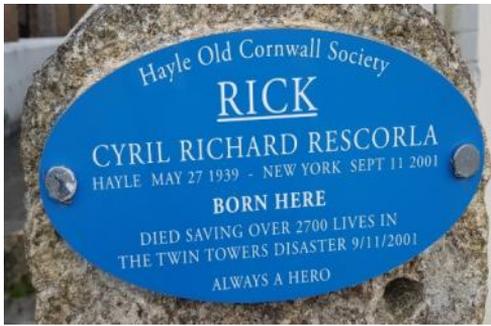
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Hayle Old Cornwall Society and Penpol School, plus the church to hold a special service in Rick's memory, this will be held on the Friday afternoon from approx. 1pm. We are hoping for Military personnel, maybe a band, and a choir on the day. Children will be coming down from Penpol, Bodrigny and also Hayle Comprehensive Schools.

A leaflet will be produced, with information regarding 9/11, plus some history of the town, these will be given out free with a badge to all the children to remember the hero from Hayle. We are hoping to get a road closure in place if we can and the event will be open to everyone. By June we will have

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the full itinerary of the day and be able to inform the town. We will give the Hayle pump all the information in good time so make sure you grab your Jun/July Issue 186 copy in good time. The Hayle Pump has made a healthy donation towards the day but if anyone else would like to contribute to help towards costs please send the monies to **Hayle Town Council.**

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Barbara Gorau will keep a record regarding the memorial service. All children attending will be given a leaflet and badge but there will be extra badges also available to purchase. Thank You. Trevor



ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR A WAY FORWARD?

The last edition of the Hayle Pump carried an article highlighting the anti-social behaviour in Hayle. The writer has my heartfelt sympathy and I can assure him/her that they are not alone in finding it shocking. They are also correct in suggesting unchecked misdemeanours lead to more serious behaviour, which is the basis of the Broken Window Theory (James Q Wilson/George L Kelling 1982) that suggests addressing minor neglect - such

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Here in St Erth, we too have been suffering from vandalism, graffiti, littering, dog-fouling, speeding and abandoned vehicles.

However, following the Annual Parish Meeting - when this behaviour was the focus of the discussions - a group of us got together to relaunch a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme with support from Devon and Cornwall Neighbourhood Watch, the local policing team, and with financial help from the Hayle Pump and the County Council's Community Chest Fund.

We launched at the end of October last year with six co-ordinators covering most of the village between us and are already beginning to see some results. We have built positive and proactive links with the parish council and the newly-revitalised St Erth Residents' Association (SERA) also establishing a good

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We are now working with SERA to launch an anti-dog fouling initiative and also hope to support a proposed Speed watch campaign to tackle the speeding issue. We also hope to stage a community policing meet-and-greet event with the support of the parish council. It's early days and there is still much to do to tackle these problems, but we hope Neighbourhood Watch can do its bit by:

- sharing intelligence of suspicious behaviour with the police and the authorities, thereby speeding up response times
- documenting evidence for the police to act against offenders
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I personally feel it is important to do something proactive to reclaim our environment from vandals. We live in a beautiful part of the world and everyone living here should be able to feel safe in and proud of our streets. (Name Supplied)



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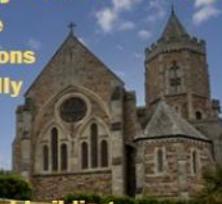
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There is a regular Mass at 10am every Tuesday morning.

Anyone is Welcome to any or all our events. Please, call in and see what we are up to.

Tina Morgan

Nature Notes

If you read my articles often, you will realise that I like birds!

I'm not a great expert, but I love to see them around, and watch their ways. You may remember that I cared for a herring gull and her one surviving chick, when her mate was killed on the nest during the night. That was in 2024. The gull returned last year with a new mate, and reared one healthy chick. I am delighted that the bird has returned again this

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Herring gulls start nesting about May, so nothing much really happening yet. Each morning I give my bird a few doggie kibbles soaked to soften them, and sometimes it comes to get them as I stand by the feeding station, other times it waits until I've wandered up the garden to empty my little compost pot. I've never tried feeding the bird from my hand – that beak looks a bit formidable – but I think she would probably take it. I've never tried touching her,

either, it doesn't seem to be the right thing to do with a wild creature. As the local resident gulls mostly disappear for the winter, presumably fishing at sea, it is always questionable if they will come 'home'. I was delighted that it did. I call it 'it' because I am not sure if it is Mum or Dad. I lean strongly to 'Mum'. The care the bird bestowed on her chick makes me think it is a hen, but gulls do share chick-raising, so I can't be sure. This is the 7th or 8th year that gulls have nested on my roof, and the third or fourth that this bird has been one of the pair. It became semi-tame during the time I fed her so that her surviving chick could survive. A bird cannot rear chicks without a mate, as the chicks are

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sitting-ducks, so to speak, for predators, and will not leave the chicks to find food. She used to call when it was mealtime, making sure I didn't forget, 3 times a day, and often in between if it saw me in the garden - to no avail! There is another gull that hangs around my house, and I sometimes wonder if it is last year's youngster, which, being an 'only child', got all the attention from both parents and thrived before my eyes. I don't feed it, but it tries to eat any bird seed spilt by the smaller birds as they come to my feeders.

I feel privileged to have the gulls in my garden and on my roof. They are beautiful and intelligent creatures. Generally speaking, we

are discouraged from feeding the gulls. There is no doubt but that they can be a nuisance, to residents and tourists alike. However, I excuse myself on this occasion only, due to sentiment! Please, do not feed the gulls, unless you, too, have a valid reason.

Tina Morgan

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The National Explosives Works at Upton Towans

are a fascinating feature of the dunes, and Friends of the Towans always enjoy working there.

Although nature has largely claimed the buildings at the site, it's not difficult to

imagine what it would have been like when the Explosives Works was a powerhouse of the First World War and a major employer in Hayle. Our main task during our recent visits to Upton Towans was to clear invasive plant species such as red valerian and

buddleia, but volunteers Mike Alexander and Les Stockton were also keen to uncover a blast Wall which was once part of the Explosives Works.

Mike first became aware of the existence of the wall from photos on a website https://www.qsl.net/2e0waw/upton_towans.htm created by Andrew Westcott, who has long been interested in the site.



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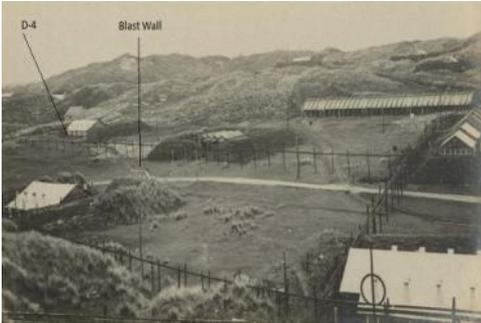
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To find the wall, Mike and Les used two photos – one taken by Andrew in 2016 and the other dated from more than 100 years earlier, in 1909.

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Neither picture suggested the scale of the wall, and it was a surprise to Mike and Les when they started uncovering it to discover that it is 30ft long, 5ft

The wall is made of large scoria blocks, much like the Black Bridge on Hayle Estuary. Scoria is furnace slag, and it's produced as part of the copper ore smelting process. The concrete block as the wall's base is similar to many found in the traverses – bunkers – around the Towans. The

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traverses were built at some distance from each other, so that if one building exploded, the power of the explosion was forced upwards and surrounding buildings were more likely to survive. In this case, two traverses were built close together which may have been an oversight – hence the need for the blast wall between them. The 1909 photo shows a nitrocotton drying store, to the left of the wall, which was destroyed in 1916. Two employees, James Cock and James Perry, were killed, even though they were not in the building at the time, so the traverse did not save them. Two others, May Stoneman and Cissie

Rodgers, died in the building and are buried at Phillack Church. The wall has witnessed a lot. Mike hopes to add the ongoing site project work to Andrew Westcott's website, and Les is planning some drone photography. The newly-uncovered wall has attracted the attention of passers-by while Friends of the Towans have been working on the site, and Mike is enjoying passing on what he describes as his still limited knowledge. The location of the wall is <https://what3words.com/strongman.intent.exclaim> To find out more about Friends of the Towans, leave a message on 07393 522875 or mail friendsofthetowans@gmail.com



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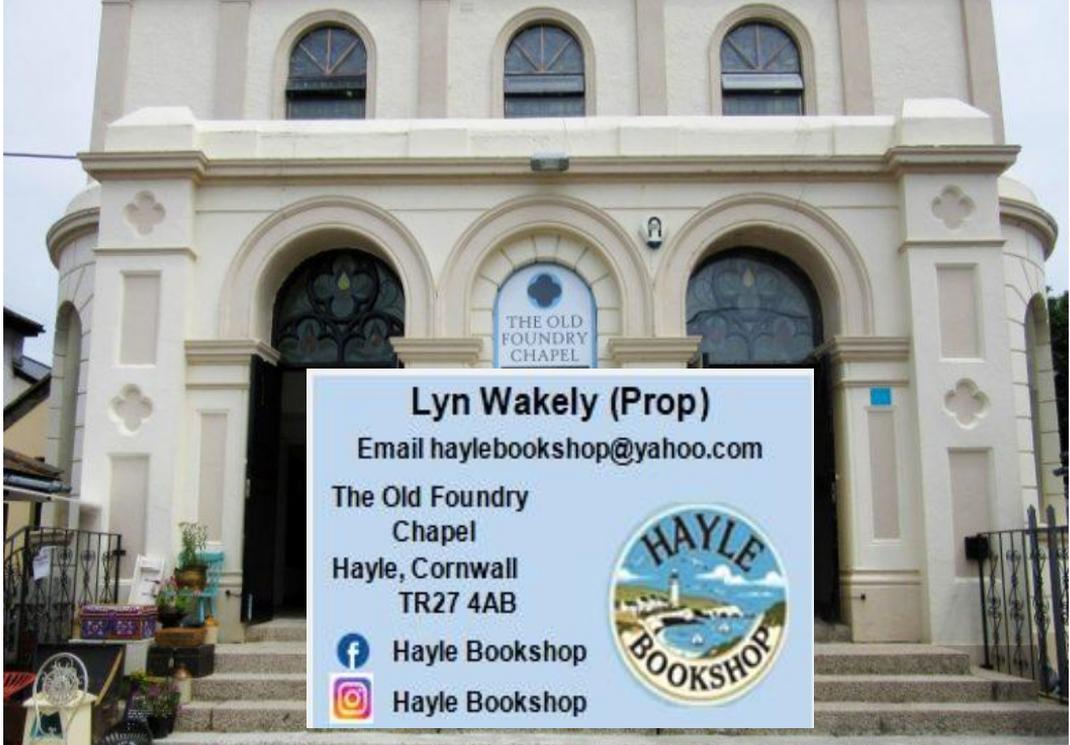


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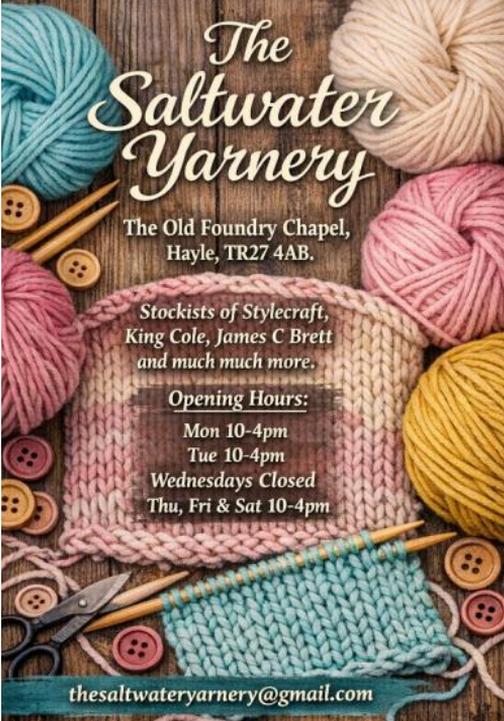
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Our events in April will start on Easter Sunday 5th April when we will meet to draw and paint the Spring Plants especially the Cowslips at Gwithian Green

en plein air. 10.30-1pm
Please meet at Gwithian Green Car Park at 10.15 am.
On 4th May, Bank Holiday Monday – Art Club will draw at Paradise Park from 6-8pm.
Our grateful thanks to Nick Reynolds who will also give us a short talk first.

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Council Corner
April and May 2026
West Ward
By Election
26 March 2026

A by-election for a seat in the West Ward of Hayle Town Council will take place on 26 March 2026. There are two candidates standing: Rob Heslington (Reform) and Caroline Mary Muskett (Independent).

Polling stations will be open from 7:00am to 10:00pm and are located at Hayle Football Club, the Scout Hut (near Penpol School) and Paradise Park.

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After 7 April 2026, Hayle Town Council will seek to fill all remaining vacancies by co-option. If you are interested in applying to join the Council, please find more information about the process on

our website: Election – Hayle Town Council.

CCTV – Additional Cameras Installed

We are pleased to advise that two additional cameras have been installed and are operational at Hayle Recreation Ground. These will complement the existing cameras and it is hoped they will help in tackling anti-social behaviour in the area. Our sincere thanks go to the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly for the £10,000 grant, which was match funded by Hayle Town Council.

Open Air Swimming Pool

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Council team has been busy throughout the winter, and as a result you will notice a number of positive improvements this season.

We will be promoting the new swimming pool website in the coming weeks, and advance bookings will be much simpler and easier for everyone. The Facilities Team has not only improved the garden layout but also built a new 'home' for the lifeguards. A new surface surrounding the pool is currently being laid, replacing the slabs that have been in place since the 1970s. Additionally, we have created an accessible changing room and secured funding for a new hoist. These improvements are designed to make the pool more inclusive and user-friendly.

We are grateful to Sport England and SUEZ for the grant funding which has enabled much of this work to be undertaken.

Precept 2026/27

Hayle Town Council has set a balanced budget focused on meeting the needs of our community. Careful financial planning in recent years has enabled the Council to continue providing important local services through devolution, with potentially more sites and services coming on board this year. These include the library, cctv, public conveniences, footpath maintenance and the management of open spaces such as Hayle Outdoor Pool, Hayle Recreation Ground and King George V Memorial Walk. We also continue to support local groups

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We are committed to raising Hayle's profile by introducing new events and projects. To deliver more for residents, we have budgeted for additional support within the Management Team, with the aim of securing increased external funding, improving facilities and expanding community and civic events. We have secured several significant grants during 2025–26 and aim to achieve even more in 2026–27. The creation of a Civic and Community Hub on the library site remains a key priority. The project has progressed to RIBA Stage 4 and is ready to build, subject to securing external

grant funding in the coming years.

To ensure the Council can deliver these services and plans, an independent organisational review was undertaken. This identified areas where additional resources are required, as well as opportunities to generate income. Changes to the staffing structure will be introduced in the coming year, while savings and new income streams will continue to be explored.

The budget also reflects increases to the National Living Wage and the outcomes of the job evaluation process.

Following last year's significant precept rise, the Council has worked to keep this year's increase as low as possible while continuing to support the community and plan

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2. Events Officer
3. Communications and Engagement Officer

If you, or someone you know, may be interested, please do not hesitate to contact the office for more information.

Diary Dates and Annual Awards

The Annual Electors' Meeting will take place on 16 April 2026, during which the Mayor will present the annual report. Residents are encouraged to attend and may put questions to councillors.

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Hayle in Bloom March 2026

Spring is with us once again and Bloom volunteers, along with council staff, have been active, particularly along Penpol Terrace, in Isis Gdns, Copperhouse and King George Vth Memorial walk. Ground has been turned, containers have been weeded and fertilised where necessary, bulbs have been ordered and planted out in some cases.

In the Chairman's report at the Hayle in Bloom (HIB) AGM in February, Nigel Powell said that (as Chair) he was delighted that the Bloom had achieved Gold standard overall, at the South West in Bloom (SWIB) awards ceremony in 2025 but, even so, he was determined to stick with his decision to stand down from re-

election to the position of Chair.

In the elections that followed, the results for the coming year (2026-27) were as follows:

- Chairperson : Nick Reynolds
Tel: 07979770931
- Vice chair: Angela Berry
- Secretary: Josephine Powell
Tel: 01736 752169
- Temporary Treasurer: Nick Reynolds
- Press secretary: Neil Mason:
neilmason49@yahoo.co.uk

As can be seen, we are much in need of a person to act as treasurer for the year (no need to get your hands dirty). If you are interested in this post, contact Nick on email

nick@paradisepark.org.uk



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Plans for the year 2026 were agreed as follows:

- Boats to be left in situ on Asda quay and, hopefully, repaired/reused
- Early evening working parties to be organised in April, May and June July
- participation in Hayle Carnival in June 2026
- Reach out to newcomers in Hayle, to publicise Hayle in Bloom and recruit new volunteers.

Leafletting a possibility

- Possible new route for SWIB judging
- Fishermen's boat on Millennium bridge to be renovated including plaque by fishermen's association by June 30th

Thanks go to the following this month:

- Hayle Town Council for their continual assistance throughout the year
- The generous individual donors, both big and small who, together, help to increase the possibilities of life within the Bloom
- Paradise Park for help and advice with many issues
- Olivia, Phil and Kieran for their help and advice on everything.
- The Green Waste Company for facilitating the removal and processing of our green waste

Hayle in Bloom meetings continue on the last Monday of the month except for bank holidays, recommencing on Monday 30 March at 7pm at Paradise Park (free car park behind the Bird in Hand pub) courtesy of Ali and Nick Reynolds.

All are very welcome to attend.
nick@paradisepark.org.uk.

To keep up to date with HIB news, please check out our website:
hayle-in-bloom.net.



Easter in Godrevy 
Godrevy team

Saturday 21st March
Easter Trail Crafting family fun
Meeting at **The Bridge** at 9:30am
Visiting **St Elwyn's** and the **Methodist Church** Finishing at **the Rec** for an Easter Egg Hunt **last entry 11:30**

Palm Sunday 29th March
All Together Service with communion
St Elwyn's 11am - 12noon

Procession with Palms
12.15 St Elwyn's to Phillack Church Hall for a bring & share lunch.

Holy Week

Compline (Evening Prayer) 6.30pm
Mon 30th March **St Elwyn's**
Tues 31st March **St Erth**
Wed 1st April **Gwinear**

Good Friday 3rd April
Walk of Witness 11.30am
Join with Christians Together in Hayle
11.15am meet **REC Café** 11.30am walk to **St Elwyn's Church.**
(Hot Cross buns & refreshments)

Reflective Services
An Hour at the Cross -
Phillack Church 3pm

Stations of the Cross
St Elwyn's Church 3pm

Maundy Thursday 2nd April
Communion with foot washing
Gwinear 6.30pm

Easter Eve
Saturday 4th April
Easter vigil and First Fire
Gwithian 7.30pm

Easter Day
Sunday 5th April
Sunrise Service 6.15am
Godrevy Sunset Surf - Car park
(TR27 5BT)

Communion Services
St Elwyn's 9.30am St Erth 9.30am
Phillack 9.30am Gwithian 11am
Gwinear 11am

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Hayle Pump Quiz 185

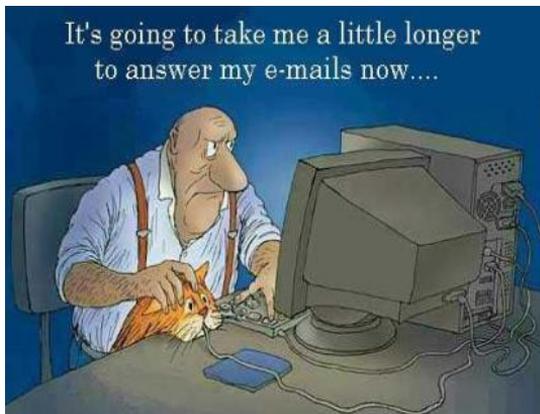
Cornwall Quiz Questions

1. Which river forms most of the border between Devon and Cornwall?
2. Which castle has a long association with legends related to King Arthur?
3. Name the administrative centre of Cornwall, which is also its city?
4. In May 2012, why did Land's End receive worldwide publicity?
5. Which scientist and inventor were born in Penzance, Cornwall, on 17 December 1778?
6. The iconic Tate gallery is in which Cornish town?
7. Scenes for which James Bond film were filmed in Cornwall, at the Eden Project?
8. Name the famous small tidal island in Mount's Bay?
9. The television drama Doc Martin is filmed in which village?
10. What is Brown Willy?
11. Mary Yellan, twenty-three years old, was brought up on a farm in Helford; who is she?
12. Which resort is widely regarded as the surf capital of the UK?
13. Which traditional fishing port is now famous for Rick Stein's Seafood Restaurant?
14. What is a Cornish split?
15. What is Cornish Yarg?

Answers to the 184 Quiz

1. Fawlty Towers
2. Only Fools & Horses
3. A Corner Shop
4. A Holiday Camp
5. A Prison
6. This time next year we'll be millionaires.
7. Dawn French
8. Father Jack Hackett
9. Her Neighbours & Friends (social circle)
10. During the War
11. Father Ted
12. Still Open all Hours
13. Black Adder goes Forth
14. Are you being served

The winner drawn at random for Quiz 184 is : Jenny Button



Club Listings

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Beachfit Outdoor Fitness on the beach in Hayle. Every Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri mornings. 07814 352945 beachfitcornwall.com for timetable.

Bodriggy Mental Health Group

Weds 1-4 pm, Day Care Centre Annexe

Bridge Club Every Mon. Carbis Bay Memorial Hall 2-5 pm. £2 inc. tea & biscuits. Graham 01736 762512

Cornish Crochet Corner first Friday of each month 2pm-4pm at Cornish Arms. No experience required. 01736 753237 Cornwall

Cornwall Penwith Guild of Weavers

Spinners and Dyers meeting at St Erth Old School Room next door to the church every third Sunday 1.30-5.00 pm. Everyone is welcome. Contact cornwallpenwithwsd@gmail.com or Kim Charman. 07582928507.

Cornwall Scale Modellers 2nd Wed of month, Hayle Day Care Centre, 7-10pm. friendly club, talks & display current models, tea/coffee, £2.30

Friends of The Towans Most Tues 10am-2pm with occasional weekends sessions. Sara Dowler, Volunteer Coordinator. 07393 522875.

Fun Bingo 2nd Wed of the month, 7pm Connor Downs W.I. Hall Rosemary Smith 07817 078520 roandrod@hotmail.com

Hayle in Bloom. Last Mon of the month (not Aug & Dec) Paradise Park 7pm. Find us on Facebook

Hayle Amateur Dramatic Society Hayle Day Care Centre, Mon eve 7.30 - 9.30. Call Ken on 07733 156530

Hayle Breezers Group Thursdays. 1.30pm Passmore Edwards Inst. April Hogarth 0781 376 707, Bob Scales 01736 751735

Hayle Art Society Passmore Edwards Institute on Tues 1.30-3.30 & Wed 7.00-9.00 Chris 01736 757720 or Penny 01736 756445

Hayle Christmas Lights last Thurs of a month (except Dec) 7pm at Hayle Day Care Centre Annexe. New volunteers are always welcome. haylechrismaslights@gmail.com.

Hayle & District Bowling Club. 1pm Mondays. Short Mat bowling indoors in winter, Outdoors Wed 12.30 07766 662 908

Hayle Friends Group for CHSW Hospice meets informally once a month under the chairmanship of Mary Trevarthen 01736 754342 trevarthenmv@uwvclub.net

Hayle Fundraising Group for Cornwall Hospice Care. Meetings held quarterly. Please contact Sue 07551924697 or Janet 07780355225 if interested in joining our friendly group.

Hayle Canoe Club - club nights from April- Sep. Wednesday at North Quay (opposite Gilberts) – on the water at 6pm. For further details email chairman@haylecanoecub.co.uk

Hayle Harbour Users Association 1st Mon of month, 7.30pm. Royal Standard Pub, R Lello 01736 757632

Hayle & District Lions Club. 2nd Tuesday of month, 7.30pm at Passmore Edwards Inst. Contact David Girling 01736 753811, 07766 662908, davidgirling60@gmail.com

Hayle Local Vocalz Mondays 7.30pm, Hayle Methodist Church LocalVocalzInfo@gmail.com

Hayle Memory Café 1st & 3rd Mondays 2-4pm at Hayle Rugby Club Christine 07513 221066

Hayle Messy Church Methodist Church Hall (Chapel Hill) 3:30-5:30pm 1st Sunday of month. Inc. free meal, no need to book. Pastor Sarah Flowerday 07739 547434

Hayle Model Boat Club Weds 7-9pm & Sunday mornings 10-12 noon, meeting at green chalet by Hayle swimming Pool. 01736 755516, or Les on 01736 754254

Hayle Old Cornwall Society. First Friday of month, Oct to May, at Hayle Day Care Centre 7.30pm. Trevor Smitheram 01736 756793

Hayle Penwith U3A at Hayle Day Care Annexe, Chair Joy McClean 07818 074469 hayle.u3asite.uk

Pilot Gig Rowing Club Rowing out of Hayle Harbour most Tuesdays and Thursday evenings
chair@haylegigclub.co.uk

Hayle Probus Club White Hart Hotel 2nd Thurs of month for lunch 1 p.m.

Hayle Railway Modelling Club Club Room. Unit 5, Praze Business Park. Praze-an-Beeble. Mon & Thurs 7pm Martin Scance 07977 550051
www.haylerail.co.uk

Hayle Surf Life Saving Club Riviere Towans Hayle TR27 5AF Email: hello@hayleslsc.co.uk

Hayle Tennis Club – All ages and abilities welcome. <https://cspark.at/>
hayletc hayletennisclub@hotmail.com

Heyl Towans and Tides WI Hayle Day Care centre annexe, first Tuesday each month 7pm. Contact Cheryl Hudson 07891 742280
heyltowansandtides@cornwallwi.org.uk

Hayle Twinning Association Meetings usually 2nd Weds of month, 2-3:30pm, contact Mike Stuckey (chair) 01736 697771 or email
mikeajstuckey@gmail.com or Maureen

Mason (secretary) 01736 438462
maureenmason2000@yahoo.co.uk

Heyl Town Band Rehearsals Weds 6:45-8:30, Coffee and a 'blow' session the second Saturday of each month from 10:30 to 12:00. Contact Lisa 07793 214227.

Kernow Petanque Tues 1pm for a few hours at North Quay Bouledrome. Richard Middleton 07936 420306

Kowethas in Harmony ladies choir Church Hall, St Erth, Weds evenings, 7.00-9.00pm. All ladies welcome. Contact Carol for more details on 01736 753496 or 07487 535531

Phillack Tower Bellringing every Tuesday at 7.30pm. Kevin Green 07799 370 558

Quirky Crafters Meets 2nd Wed of month at St Erth Church Hall, 2-4pm. Kathy Tilby 01736 759943

Resurgam Chamber Choir Monday 7-9pm St Elwyn's Church to sing mainly Sacred Music. New members welcome with good sight-reading skills. Sec: Yvonne Bates 07901 704553

Scrabble Club at Connor Downs 2nd Thurs of month at W.I. Hall. 2-4pm £2 for hall & refreshments.
carolinewindsor123@btinternet.com

Shore Surf Lessons for Locals Juniors, Ladies, Gents. All abilities welcome. Every Sat 10am-12pm & Wed 6-8pm. 01736 755556
shoresurfschool@gmail.com

St Erth Acoustic Singaround meets Tuesdays, Star Inn at 8pm. Contact Dave Cupples on 07732 754394.

St Erth Brownies Mondays, St Erth Church Hall. Julie Wass 01736 762123

St Erth Guides Tuesdays, Scout Hut in Hayle. Caroline Barton 07881 715764

St Erth Concert Band Rehearsals Tues 7.30 to 9.30pm in Methodist Chapel Hall. Enquiries 07394 617127

St Erth Rainbows Tues, St Erth Church Hall
st.erthandhaylerainbows@gmail.com

St Ives Camera Club Monday 7.30pm at St Anta Church Hall, Carbis Bay
stivescameraclub.co.uk

Table Tennis for Fun every Friday 2pm - 5pm Leedstown Village Hall. Info: Robert 01736 753951

West Cornwall Concert Band Mon 7-9pm at Camborne Wesley Church – email Kathleen Kessell at westcornwallconcertband@gmail.com

West Cornwall Footpaths Preservation Society Walks and footpath maintenance in West Penwith, www.wcfps.co.uk

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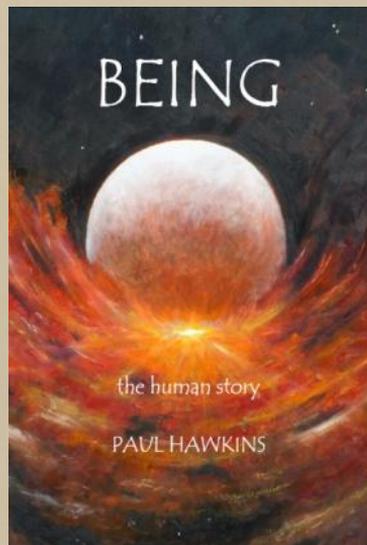
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