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MAY / JUNE 2019

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Since 2011 all UK companies are required by law to minimise waste by complying with the Waste Hierarchy, which sets out five steps for dealing with it, ranked according to increasing environmental impact: **Prevent** - reduce the amount of waste arising; **Re-use**; **Recycle** - turn it into something else usable such as compost; generate **Energy from Waste** by incineration or anaerobic digestion; and finally **Disposal** – usually to landfill. By taking responsibility for the waste we as individuals create and making sure our weekly black bag has as little in it as possible, we can all make our own contribution to sustainability.

I am a compulsive recycler prone to feelings of personal failure when consigning anything to the bin. Either I should not have bought the (probably over-packaged) offending item in the first place, or I should be better able to manage whatever waste arises from it. I will happily de-construct a cocoa container into its constituent cardboard tube; silvery lining that can't go in with the cardboard and doesn't seem sufficiently metallic to class as foil; useless brown plastic lid that no-one wants to recycle; tiny ring of foil around the top, which peels off nicely; and metal base which can be sawn off satisfyingly with the bread knife and stored until I next brave the recycling centre.

To add to my sense of a job well done, He who travels far in the cause of waste management willingly transports to appropriate far-flung facilities some things I cannot currently recycle in Cornwall, though the penalty of this strategy is having to accommodate inconvenient stockpiles that obstruct my bike.

Re-using still functioning items is another satisfying pastime for those of us who don't get out much. My ancient Nilfisk industrial vacuum cleaner had to be replaced recently, which was a cause of some angst. It was a hybrid of the best bits of two identical vintage but redundant appliances salvaged by my father-in-law from Council offices nearly 25 years ago. Perhaps he had an inkling that industrial strength suction would be the only recourse against years of house renovation and the formidable onslaught of messy children. During years of hard use, we had to replace the electric lead when both wore down to bare wire, and reluctantly succumbed to inferior plastic hosing when the original rubber version perished.

By 2018 my trusty steed was in a pitiful state. Despite trying every combination of the two sets of functioning parts plus new accessories my domestic flurries were thwarted by frequent interruptions to the electric supply as the lead repeatedly detached itself from the body of the cleaner. Worse, the junction between the replacement and original tubes was so mismatched I had to grip one in each hand hard to maintain a connection whilst exerting a constant downward pressure to avoid the bottom tube dropping off entirely, or else clean with just one tube, which meant shuffling about on my knees –a challenge on slate floors and liable to leave couriers very bemused.

To maintain my sanity, I adopted the most environmentally friendly option by reducing the frequency of vacuuming and opting for crisis cleaning instead. Things came to a head at Christmas when we attempted a joint domestic purge that Stalin would have been proud of. Sadly, my Nilfisk had other ideas, its death throws manifest as a disturbing pulsing, wailing sound signalling the end of the motor and an era.

To me, selecting a new appliance is not a joyous task. Money aside, my criteria are exacting: is it tough enough to survive what is bound to become an abusive long-term relationship, or will nasty Chinese components fail at the first hurdle and induce severe mental distress? We considered carefully and made our choice: proven, efficient German technology with a track record of success at Yetta. I confess I wasn't quite prepared for the awesome nature of my new arrival. A friend called in the afternoon of my first trial run and, embarrassingly, I was almost hysterical with joy. So much grime had been extracted with so little effort, I was flush with success. Now I do not baulk at the prospect of cleaning. I drag my yellow friend out for some passive-aggressive Hoovering, casually pointing the implement in the right direction and watching all and sundry shoot up the hose. This inevitably leads to unplanned casualties; pencils, socks, a highlighter pen, large chunks of plaster – pretty much anything is vulnerable, even the terrier. The unexpected positive to this is that I do not automatically consign the bag to the bin. I traipse outside, cut it open, rifle carefully through the fluffy debris to retrieve illicit and non-organic items, and consign the remaining matter to the compost. Less goes in my black bag, and (slightly disturbingly) more of the house ends up outside.

There are, inevitably, trade-offs to my new technology. Vacuuming no longer gives me a complimentary work out, but I'm sure I will appreciate this as I age. I worry slightly that since I am expending less energy my bionic cleaner is viciously chomping twice as much as old faithful, but since I spend less than half as much time lugging it about, I'm hoping the final balance is neutral. Whereas the body of the old Nilfisk was aluminium, most of my new appliance is unpleasantly plastic, and not at all conducive to home dissection and component recycling. I am therefore (perhaps naively) putting my trust in the emerging push for a circular economy, which will instead place the onus on the manufacturer to sort out a problem of their own making.

Pam Leppitt



COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S NOTES Hello, This month seems to have been all about climate change, climate emergencies and getting the attention of Government to deal with it. For a week protesters blocked bridges in London with little interest being shown from the Government until a 16 year Swede, Greta Thunberg, showed up. Single handed, she has started the children's protests which spread around the world and she brought the politicians to the table.

On 27th January Cornwall Council declared a climate emergency. The declaration requires the Council to prepare a report outlining how it can sufficiently reduce carbon emissions through energy and other Council Strategies, plans and contracts to ensure Cornwall is carbon neutral by 2030. And on the night that the 93 year old Sir David Attenborough set out the case for recognising climate change, Warleggan Parish Meeting did just that and resolved to recognise that there is a climate emergency. It was a great moment and now is the time to think what actions we can take, however small, to help the environment where we live.

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Thank you for your on-going patience and co-operation during this period.

(We have been asked to place this information for any patients whose GPs are at the above Surgery. Editor)

WARLEGGAN HISTORY GROUP

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RED IN TOOTH & CLAW

20.03.19 The sheep are almost ready for lambing. They've been in for a quick trim around the "business end" and are looking heavy. Maternity services are poised to spring into action when required, and commitments to anything beyond sheep welfare are reduced to the bare minimum for six weeks. The midwife's uniform (waterproof leggings and coat) is hanging up ready for use, and a new pair of wellies will be brought into service shortly. We are fervently hoping for good weather, and that local predators leave our new borns well alone. One of our lambs last year was lucky to survive a ferocious fox attack, he was bruised and shaking, with teeth marks in his neck. Life in the wild is tough, but this is an exhilarating time, it tests physical and mental strength. We love it.

28.03.19 My mum has taken to calling it a "Lambing Sabbatical" The time of year when it has to have a woolly coat and four legs to even get a look in, and it starts today. Family, friends, socialising, all other commitments fall by the wayside in favour of sheep pregnancy, birth and post partum care. This year we have a slightly smaller flock, and fewer first time mums, so we can hope that things will run smoothly. The weather also has a huge influence, so we pray for fine days and mild nights. There are some whopping great sheep out in the field, it would be lovely if they could go into labour and give birth without having to be caught/loaded/helped and housed, but whatever happens will happen in the next six weeks.

10.04.19 We've been battling a case of favouritism for a week now. One of the best ewes gave birth to a lovely set of twins, then promptly decided she only liked one. She hoofed it to the far hedge with her beloved offspring, showing a lam(b)enable lack of concern for the other. Her bleatant disregard for the conventional approach to parenting had her labelled as a "Baaaaad Mother" so she was put in solitary confinement. We tried to pull the wool over her eyes using various approaches from "The (non existant) Handbook of Sheep Psychology" Several days later, she still hasn't turned into the doting mother of twins. The temptation to give her a good roasting has been considerable, but there we are, just an udder day on the front line of lambing.

24.04.19 Watching the flock for signs of lambing is a major preoccupation at the moment. Lying stretched out and panting (the sheep, not the shepherd) is one clue that something is going on. There have been a few days when every single sheep in the field has been doing just that. Thankfully, this did not indicate an imminent tsunami of newborn lambs, just unseasonably warm weather, which has meant some hot and sweaty sheep, but an easy start in life for all the lambs born so far.

There was a sting in the tail (and ears, eyes, nose) for one little lamb who landed in the nettle patch, but he was soon up on his feet following mum, and looking unconcerned at the tingling sensations in his extremities.

If you've ever seen the "Where's Wally?" books, you will know the form, looking for a particular character mixed in with lots of others who look almost exactly the same. We have our own version, "Where's Woolly?" it can take quite a while to seek out a particular sheep/lamb/family within a large flock, but it's time well spent, and our ultimate goal is to nurture as many lambs as possible. So far, so good. **Diane Wells**

WHAT WOULD GRETA THUNBERG DO?

We all know that in the light of rapid climate change we have all got to change our habits and there is no doubt that there will need to be a huge shift in the way we run our economy. But the scale of the challenge is huge, where on Earth do we start?

Some years ago at the Ryder Cup it was noticed that some of the American team were wearing wristbands carrying the phrase "What would Jesus do?" It was unclear to many of us whether Jesus would have had an opinion on the right choice of club when stuck in a bunker but we could concede that he likely wouldn't have sworn and chucked his club at the caddy after the ball struck a tree and shot off into the water. And to be fair perhaps that was the point, it was a reminder to the individual to live up to a certain standard.

When it comes to climate change I would urge that we all wear a virtual wristband saying "what would Greta Thunberg do?" (Who could fail to be impressed by the poise and integrity of this remarkable school girl?)

When you go to turn on all those unnecessary lights "what would Greta do?". The quick flight to Paris for the weekend – take the train! The central heating, does it need to be on this long, do we need it at all in the Summer?! If it's an oil boiler or gas, can I afford to change over to electricity? Why am I buying electricity from fossil fuel generators rather than from Good Energy or Ecotricity who generate from renewable sources. Can I limit my car journeys and why indeed am I driving a gas-guzzler? (note to self). Why am I banking with HSBC or Barclays who invest so heavily in fossil fuels and deforestation for palm oil, why not change to Triodos the ethical bank based in Bristol? Why, oh why, am I mowing the bl---y lawn every week rather than leave it most of the time and let the wild flowers come through that will help the pollinators and so help all of us? We are losing insects and native birds and animals all the time so why on earth are we gardeners using pesticides and herbicides in our neurotic desire for neatness? – There are so many natural means of controlling potential pests.

I could go on but it will become a rant.

Better just to remember the calm integrity of Greta Thunberg and keep asking that question all the time "what would Greta Thunberg do?"

Andrew Lane

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FROM THE VICARAGE ...

Dear Friends,

I have spent some time over the last few weeks trying to put together a dark room. Not because I need that sort of space to recover from the ways of the 21st Century you understand, but because I want to print some of the old negatives of family life that I found at my father's house.

I imagine that some of you have at some point developed your own film and negatives. The process is quite simple - and yet amazing. In a specific environment, the negative is exposed to light. With chemicals at the right temperature, the creative fun begins, and ends when the final print is extracted from the 'fixer' and washed.

Our human development relies on a similar process. I am sure you can use your own life experience to recognise the processes that have shaped who you are, and perhaps what you are yet to become.

Christ is proclaimed as 'the light of the world'. Our 'exposure' to that light, makes a difference. That light, is that which brings out the depths of who and whose we are. It is that light that determines something of the way we turn out, along with the nurture of others along the way. Like the photographic print.

Philip

MOUNT CHAPEL NEWS

On Good Friday a full congregation enjoyed a wonderful concert by the Whitsand Harmony and on Easter Sunday the preacher, Tamsyn Gates, brought the Easter story alive and with the Chapel windows decorated depicting Easter scenes it added much to her with message.

We are pleased that Eileen is slowly improving following her recent illness and on 9th May we wish May a very happy 90th birthday.

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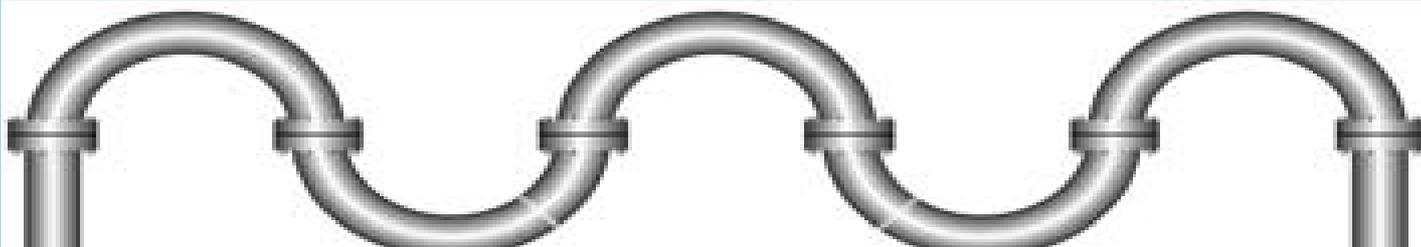
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PARISH MATTERS—NOEL'S MEADOW

At the well attended Parish AGM matters discussed included—

- ⇒ Speed of traffic through Mount village—we have applied for signs asking motorists to drive slowly and rumble strips.
- ⇒ Dog Fouling.
- ⇒ Light by Snooker Shack to be replaced with LED bulb.
- ⇒ Planning application for 5 houses on land to the rear of Noel's Meadow. There was a strong feeling against the proposal and the Parish submission to Cornwall Council can be summarised as :-

- (a) The proposed development is outside the settlement of Mount, does not represent infill or rounding off of the village. It provides no benefit to the community which could perhaps justify the development.
- (b) The existing development at Noel's Meadow was an exception site. This application represents incremental growth on the back of an exception site.
- (c) The Chief Planning Officer's Advice Note on "Infill/ Rounding Off" is not intended to facilitate continued incremental growth".
- (d) The present application appears to be an attempt to circumvent the Affordable Housing requirements under the "Cornwall Local Plan Strategic Policies".
- (e) The Parish Meeting being the body that has intimate knowledge of the requirements of the area considers that the conclusions of the Inspector on an appeal against the refusal of an earlier application for this site are totally misguided.
- (f) The Parish has strong concerns on the use of over 10 year old survey reports which concluded that there was no significant contamination of the site when arsenic contamination which was found during the construction of Noel's Meadow.
- (g) There are concerns on the effect of the development on the surface water drainage system in the area. Houseowners to the lower eastern side of the site regularly find that their back gardens are now much wetter than before the existing development took place. Any further development will only exacerbate this issue.
- (h) There are concerns at the ability of the sewage treatment works to cater for additional dwellings. Regular problems arise from acrid smells from the sewage plant set alongside the village. Any further development is bound to increase this problem without extensive works being undertaken to the sewage plant.
- (i) There are concerns at the potential danger of construction traffic driving through the existing Noel's Meadow development where a number of young children frequently play in the road. If planning permission were granted for the development a condition should be included that construction traffic use the existing temporary access direct from the site onto the adjoining road.
- (j) There are already serious concerns at the volume of traffic using the nearby crossroads in the village. If planning permission were granted for the development a condition should be included requiring the developer to meet the cost of proposed traffic calming measures in the village.
- (k) At the Parish Meeting a motion was approved that Warleggan Parish recognises a Climate Emergency. The proposed development does not represent a sustainable development in a village not served by any form of public transport.
- (l) Additional development in this village could impact on the Dark Sky Policy relevant to Bodmin Moor.



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WEDNESDAY	History Group 7.30pm 4 th Wednesday (unless otherwise stated)
FRIDAY – WEEKLY	Village Greens Friday Shop 9.00am – 2pm
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