

## WELCOME!

Welcome to Par Bay Big Local's Summer Newsletter - keeping you up to date with what is happening around the Par Bay Area. We have focused on St Blazey this year, eg helping to make Fourways Youth Centre sustainable following cuts in funding by Cornwall Council. Other projects include:



We now have a group of Young Advisors who are based at Fourways and can be commissioned to provide a young person's take on local issues. St Blaise Town Council has already commissioned them to help with their Neighbourhood Plan. A Young Advisors Facebook page is being set up to keep you updated about their activities.

They are currently visiting various youth groups, helping with activities and games to gain experience in working with young people. They are also arranging to meet with a photographer to identify topics to film with his drone and planning work in partnership with a media student from Cornwall College, to develop a DVD highlighting the positive activities already taking place locally with Kernow Youth CIC.

The group are planning a Beach Day for the summer holidays, designing, printing and distributing posters as well as planning risk assessments and creating a letter for parents. They will attend a workshop run by Paul Squires (from UnLtd), to discuss potential links to training for approaching organizations

for commissioned work, eg Police, Local Councils and the Health service.

## Kernow Youth

Over the last few months, Laura Pellow from Kernow Youth has been running pilot Youth Sessions at Par Running Track once a week, offering activities, support and advice

The group has been running a tuck shop and has been busy planning activities on the beach



## Jobs and Income

### Job Club - Burrows Centre, St Blazey Gate

Par Bay Job Club was set up by trained Par Bay volunteers to support jobseekers in our community who don't have digital access or need help logging into the Job Centre website and finding their way around the internet. It has been running for over a year now and we are finding that it is also providing useful contacts with other agencies to support people in our area.

- **Positive People** have put on a 6 week course in the Burrows Centre. They provide mentoring, digital advice and interview training.
- **Matt Beer** from Reed in Partnership has joined the Big Local Partnership Group and will be helping local Jobseekers back into employment
- **Kerry Woodcock** has been providing debt management advice and assistance with completing forms alongside the foodbank in Par St Mary's.
- **Devon & Cornwall Housing** have made contact with a view to working together to provide support when benefit changes become operational next year.



Tasting the peas in the Beavers' garden

**UNIVERSAL CREDIT:** Will start in this area in February 2018. All applications will be digital from that point. In addition to Devon & Cornwall Housing, we are linking up with other agencies to provide assistance for those who need help. There will be more information available as we build up our information bank.

## Community Garden

The plants (and weeds!) are thriving in Glencliffe Community Garden and a growing number of residents are popping in to pick a cabbage or a few beans and leave a donation in the red box. Gifts of plants and other useful garden related items have been donated. Thank you for the anonymous gifts and for watering the plants. All are welcome to sit and enjoy the Garden, have a picnic, admire the Tywardreath Bee Garden and Bee Group bed. Why not pull up a few weeds before you go - every little helps!

## Community Hub Community Creativity Enterprise

Plans are well under way to consult with local people and stakeholders about the idea of bringing together a diverse range of creative activities under one roof through questionnaires and information events in the coming months.

The aim: Creating a financially viable and sustainable business case to achieve a long-lasting Big Local legacy for the benefit of the residents of St Blazey, Par and Tywardreath.