



# Community Association

## 2018 AGM Report

2017 was a great start to the CDCA.

Firstly, we were lucky in securing £100 from the Feock Parish Council Your Choice Funding towards our 2017 Christmas lights campaign. This money went towards buying a Christmas tree. We were then given money from the County Councillor responsible for this area, again, this went into the pot for Christmas Lights.

The Halloween trail was a massive success. Based at the Bowling Club, residents around the village were invited to decorate their houses and create pumpkins to display. We drew up a map which was available to buy on the night for £1 showing all the houses and pumpkins in the competition. We asked people to vote for the best pumpkin and the best decorated house on the night. I believe one of the reasons this was such a success is that it encouraged Trick or Treaters to just knock on the doors of those who had officially joined the trail and thus alleviating a lot of peoples fears about Halloween and trick or treaters. On the night we served hot dogs and soup. We had a bigger turnout than expected and raised a lot towards the lights.

We then took on the management of the village market following the previous administrations departure. Bob and Caroline have taken a lead role in this and I must thank them for all their hard work they put into each market and for bringing the market back to the vibrant market it once was. Long may this continue. We have continued with inviting charities to run the kitchen and raffle on a regular basis and also running this ourselves on odd occasions. The most successful being the Easter Market where Sophie created an Easter trail around the village, in a similar format to the Halloween Trail. This proved to be very successful and attracted new faces to the market. Debbies idea of doing breakfast at the market to encourage users to arrive early also proved very successful and we may look at doing this again in the future. And a big thanks to Shirley and Joy for all the work in the kitchen.

We have also run Baby Sales with mixed success, the first, in October being very successful, the second in February wasn't quite as successful. There are plans for another in the future if we can find a slot.

The open mic night in April was also a massive success and thank you to David for his work on this one especially in arranging the musicians.

Finally, the Christmas Lights, the main reason the CDCA was set up. What can I say about this but a massive well done to us all on the success of this. Who would have thought that we would have had so much support from the village and businesses, not just in terms of money and donations but to the people who come out to help with collecting lights, erecting and taking down lights, donating their electricity and helping us on the night of the switch on. I am, as I am sure the rest of you are, overwhelmed by the support and generosity. I hope we can continue and surpass expectations in 2018. Special thanks to Emma, Tamsin and Sophie for all the work on the fantastic grotto.

I would also like to thank Julian from the spar for everything he has done to help and support us. Without him we would not have raised as much as we have done. Your generosity has not gone unnoticed.

To David, your help and enthusiasm has not gone un-noticed. The milk churn you very kindly donated is amazing, thank you.

To Mark for volunteering to play at our events, you made a lot of peoples evening at the Christmas switch on as you were also requested as one of the musicians at the Social Night. I hope we are able to raise lot of money for Help the Heroes during the Wedding Celebrations in a couple of weeks as I know this is a charity close to you.

Finally, Officers, Tamsin, Sophie and Debbie. Thank you for all the hard work you have put in over the last 12 months. I'm sure it almost feels like a full time job at times and I don't know how you fit it all in around your jobs.

To everyone else, thank you for making the CDCA what it is and I hope you all stay on as part of the committee for at least another year. I apologise for any one I have missed.