

Chairman's Report

Saltash Town Council has once again had a challenging year with balancing the books, at the same time as providing extra facilities and amenities for the residents of Saltash. And being mindful of expenditure. I feel that the Council has been able to meet those challenges head on.

Saltash Town Council, last year took on running the Library, from Cornwall Council as part of Cornwall's devolution programme; and with the help of staff and volunteers is making excellent progress and headway. The Library is being used for many community activities, working with partners, as never seen before, and STC is gradually steering this building into a multi-use facility. There is more work to be done, but the enthusiasm is there to do so.

The Saltash Station Building is being beautifully restored, and again with good management should become an historic asset to Saltash. Our thanks should once again go to Councillor Richard Bickford and his team and stakeholders for seeing this work through, and we are almost there!

Our Public toilets at Longstone, Belle Vue, Alexandra square as well as Waterside are well used, and considered to be an asset to our town.

The depot at Longstone Park continues to be a most useful building for the Saltash Town Council in so many ways, as was predicted at the time.

Saltash Waterside on-going investment is showing that the Waterside is a more pleasant place for locals and visitors alike to enjoy including all seasons and times of Festivities and regattas, and the likes.

Such investment has also complimented other assets on the Waterside, such as eateries, youth and community facilities.

Saltash Town Council hosts various sub committees with the aim of boosting interest in Fore Street with various funding packages if and when applicable.

There is a new cabinet in the chamber to host the Saltash Regalia and other items of the old Borough. This will give a better platform for the community and visitor viewing.

Saltash Town Council is able to manage public funding opportunities for local organisations to organise events with some financial support. This has proved to be a meaningful exercise and good use of public money.

I have had a very busy year serving the community and I would like to thank my Deputy Mayor and Mayoress Councillors Pete and Brenda Samuels for their total support at all times, and indeed Councillors for their dedication to duty serving our electorate.

Councillor Gloria Challen