



BUCKFASTLEIGH ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

18 APRIL 2018 - KEY MESSAGES

1. Cllr Pam Barrett gave a **review of the year** highlighting all the different projects that the Council has successfully achieved and thanked the Councillors and staff for their work, support and commitment.

2. **Police** – Under the Town Council meeting that followed, it was noted that the Council continues to lobby the Chief Constable regarding the lack of police presence in the town and how this is affecting the community.

3. **Tourism** – feedback from the Tourism Committee included the events arranged to celebrate **Buckfast Abbey's Millennium celebrations** which were launched at Easter. Special mention was made of the filming of the **BBC Antiques Roadshow** to be held on 13th September.

4. **Promotional Tourism Leaflet** – we have commissioned a freelance designer to create a colourful and informative tourism leaflet to coincide with the Abbey's Millennium events which we hope will encourage visitors to enjoy the town and tourist attractions.

5. **Emergency Plan** – following the recent **practical flood exercise**, key volunteers will be invited to a meeting in June to revise the existing plan which we hope to have up and running by the autumn. The Environment Agency will also be hosting a stall at our **Heart of Buckfastleigh** event on Saturday 16th June.

6. **Elector Fund** – we received a letter of thanks from **Moorland Community Care** for the grant funding awarded from the Elector Fund to support their vital work to support elderly and isolated people in our community.

7. **Fundraising** - we agreed to pursue the options for hiring fundraisers with different skill sets to apply for grants to help support community projects including the continuation of the popular **Hello Summer** project.

Full minutes will be available on the website after the next Town Council Meeting.