

## **Feock Parish Council**

### **Planning Report for Annual Meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

It has again been a very busy year with the Planning Committee considering for consultee comment 150 planning applications (just 2 less than last year).

Of these 46 were applications for tree works, 6 were for the demolition and redevelopment of existing dwellings and 8 were for additional dwellings increasing the housing stock within the Parish. A further 5 applications (totalling 18 dwellings) were against policy and refused by Cornwall Council. The remaining 85 applications related to development (extensions/ improvements etc) of existing properties and amendments to previous approvals.

We are grateful to both Cllr Blake who has attended Cornwall Council's Central Sub-Area Planning Committee on a number of occasions this year to represent the Parish Council and also Cllr Kemp who represented the Parish Council at the Planning Appeal Hearing for the proposed 38 dwellings at land off Valley Lane, Carnon Downs and we are delighted to report that the appeal was dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate who agreed that the Parish Council's objection and Cornwall Council's refusal of the application was justified.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan is now firmly acknowledged by Cornwall Council's Planning Department as a policy document to be adhered to in determining planning applications and we are very grateful to those who gave their time, help and expertise in preparing the Plan. It has been acknowledged by professionals as excellent and this is echoed by Councillors who use it as their Planning Bible. We are compiling a list of potential additions which will make it even better for the future and will be looking to make its first review possibly in 2020.

The planning sub-committee put a great deal of effort into ensuring that our comments on applications are informed, consistent, reasonable and balanced.