

Afternoon,

Firstly, THANK YOU to everyone who supported the clean-up yesterday! The debris collected was remarkable, and your efforts made a significant impact on cleaning up the Parish. We have 127 incredible people who have signed up to support the Parish which is phenomenal!

Continued Cleaning:

I have met with the Constable, Mike Jackson, this afternoon to discuss next steps. Mike was involved in the ongoing Strategic Planning meetings this morning with the wider Government Infrastructure and Emergency services team and he has been advised that the professional teams will now start working through the Parish to start to cutting down overhanging branches, fallen trees etc to start to try and remove or make safe remaining trees. This may result in more debris on walkways and roads however it is anticipated that the professional teams will clear this toward the end of the week.

During this work, we ask volunteers not to clear walkways/roads. We believe there may be remaining debris after this work and there

are many of you that are very keen and willing to continue to help and as such this will be reviewed on Thursday afternoon. I will then communicate if there is going to be a further effort next weekend to clear the remaining debris. This will not be as large a coordinated effort as this Sunday, but areas will be identified that need cleaning and then communicate this. Debris can be piled up as we did this weekend for Parish Staff to collect on Monday – the Parish can once again provide high vis / shovels / brooms / gloves. I will communicate further about this by email on Thursday and any plan will also be discussed at the ‘Beautiful St Brellade’ meeting on Thursday evening at Les Quennevais School.

If you wish to clean during the week, you can do this in area such as within residential areas / churches or if you have neighbours that need support but please flow the safety guidelines we sent out at the weekend. Please contact Mike Jackson (741141 / 07797 719 778) at the



Parish hall if you need equipment. Feel free to communicate any efforts on the WhatsApp app groups or directly to me on WhatsApp but please be mindful that we have large numbers of people on these groups and do not wish to inconvenience others in the group who may not be involved with large numbers of messages!

Ongoing Community Support:

Many of you have very kindly indicated on your form that you are keen to be kept updated on ongoing Parish Community engagement and support and we will add you to further communications on this as they go out – we promise not to bombard you!

Whilst I organised the Parish Clean Up as a fellow Parishioner and volunteer myself, I am on the 'Beautiful St Brelade' project with Deputy Helen Miles, Mike Jackson and the Parish Staff.

'Beautiful St Brelade' is focusing on how the Parish can build a stronger community, strengthen social bonds between parishioners, improve access to local facilities and inspire a renewed sense of community amongst St. Brelade residents. As such, every member of our Parish community has something valuable to offer, whether it's a talent, a resource, an idea, or a helping hand. This weekend was an incredible example of how our amazing Parishioners can mobilise to support one another and an incredible example of the potential of our Parish spirit and community!

We will be setting up a community volunteer scheme where Parishioners can sign up to support other Parishioners with shopping / befriending / light diy / computer skills etc but we are also keen to speak to parishioners who are just interested in maybe just being a friendly face in their neighbourhood, meeting others with similar interests or maybe someone who may be able to chat to others in their area to gain ideas or bring parishioners together. I am hoping to work with Parishioners and groups to identify parish-based initiatives to help residents make new friends, engage in parish activities, and foster a deep sense of connection, belonging, and wellbeing.

As such, for those of you who may be interested in this, I would very much appreciate it if you could complete a short survey (10mins) to share your existing strengths /resources and offer insights and visions for a more vibrant community within the Parish which will allow me to collate ideas for the Parish and bring together people with likeminded ideas / passions. You are not committing to anything by completing the survey but helping us to capture what we have in the Parish and what Parishioners want!

- For Parishioners of St. Brelade: Complete our online survey here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/TWL9fTrZvt>

- If you run a club/organisation/group within the Parish of St. Brelade: Share your offerings by completing our form: <https://forms.office.com/e/ZzkSQTtyA1>

Community Meeting

This Thursday, we're hosting a community meeting to discuss the "Beautiful St. Brelade" project and how to continue supporting each other after Storm Ciaran. Join us for an opportunity to share ideas and connect with fellow Parishioners. I would urge you to come along and share your ideas and meet your fellow Parishioners - by coming you are not committing to anything, but it is simply an opportunity to bring together people to discuss what Parishioners want for their Parish and how they may wish to support this (or not!). Feel free to come along, listen, share ideas and if you want to get further involved, please do!

The meeting is this **Thursday, November 9th, 7pm at Les Quennevais School - St Brelade**. Sign up for this event at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/743129910567?aff=oddtcreator> or call the Parish Hall on 741141 to book a space. Please do share with family and friends.

Thank you again for your help this weekend! I will communicate further re-ongoing clean up and I hope to see you on Thursday!

Kindest regards

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