

Report on *The Pill* for the Parish Council AGM

This last year has not been easy for anyone, and the Covid restrictions forced *The Pill* to go exclusively on-line. The advantage has been a significant reduction in costs, but against this must be set the loss of advertising revenue, as we felt it only fair to give our loyal advertisers a free year.

Nevertheless, we have been able to give a £600 donation to the Heritage Group for the U-turn Project, and for this current year we are only charging a nominal fee to our advertisers; the money we do collect will be given to St Petroc's, whose need is far greater than ours.

During this period of splendid isolation – though one can think of less flattering terms - Gillie as Editor and Mike as Secretary have shouldered the burden of producing *The Pill* on-line. Huge thanks to them for ensuring that the village's favourite publication has continued uninterrupted, and for adapting so quickly to our strange new world.

Not everyone has access to the internet, and it is far more difficult to read long articles on a screen, as we have all discovered. Also, reference pages, such as The Calendar on the back page of *The Pill*, are not so easy to access quickly when on-line.

I am therefore delighted to announce that, Indian variant permitting, we shall revert to printed copies for the August/September issue onwards.

Simon Funnell

Chairman

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