PPFA

The Ponsanooth Playing Field Association is a organisation consisting of a group volunteers who look after the playing field for the benefit of the residents of Ponsanooth and wider Parish.

The PPFA work for the Parish Council to keep the playing field open and maintained. In legal terms we are a registered charity and work within the legal rules set by the Charity Commission that govern our constitution. In similar terms to other charities that work within the Parish a number of volunteers who work on the PPFA are also trustees whose role is to protect the interests of the Charity.

The PPFA is run by a Chairman, Ash Pearson, who is supported by a Vice Chairman and Treasurer who is myself, and a Secretary Jon Trower. We are elected to these positions in AGMs which take place every October.

The PPFA has been in existence for 35 years now and I can read our what the PPFA's official purpose is, which is set out in our governing Scheme:

"The object of the Charity shall be to provide or assist in the provision of facilities for the inhabitants of Ponsanooth and the neighbourhood thereof for recreation and leisure time occupation in the interests of social welfare with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants"

In practice this means ensuring the grass is routinely cut, the play equipment is kept in working order, as well as run a number of fund raising events and organise activities on the field such as Streetgames.

Our main income is gained from fund raising events which include our annual Fair Day, as well as popular Posh Frocks and Wellies event, and also other events such as Harvest Festival and Race Nights which take place in the Hall. We also gain an income from the Pre School who operate from the Krowji but these arrangements are changing such that instead of a rental income from the pre school that money will be paid to the Parish Council as landlord/tenant, with a precept type income coming back to the PPFA.

This year as well as our normal fund raising events we have hosted the Kings Coronation weekend and we are also working with the Parish Council to develop a community garden on the land behind the Krowji. The Parish Council and PPFA work closely together to support our mutual objectives and ensure that the playing field is a cherished asset in our Parish. A very good example of this is the funding of Streetgames by the Parish Council which the PPFA is grateful for. The PPFA is also taking control of a second play space which is located on Trevonnen Road ensuring that area is suitable for residents too.