## Agenda 4. Milly Southworth

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Dear all,

I am not doing my usual update this month as I am conscious that we are in the period of heightened sensitivity.

Cornwall Council has been very quiet, due again to the election period so no controversial decisions have been made.

That said, the day to work of being a Councillor has continued with casework still coming in and being dealt with. With issues being raised over local authority housing repairs as usual, and concerns over the raise in Council Tax this year.

I also met with the local Policing team and Highways at Polscoe Corner at the start of the B3274 after we asked the Police to attend a recent Sheviock Parish Council meeting as we have been increasingly concerned about the accidents on that bend. I am pleased to report that the Highways Safety team has commissioned a safety study for this area where they are looking at what can realistically be done to mitigate some of the risk in that area. This will then provide evidence for safety feature funding for the area, or perhaps for the next iteration of the Highways Scheme.

The other news is that the Tamar Tolls have increased by 20p a crossing for tag users and 60p a crossing for cash users. I was pleased to see the committee and MPs have agreed to push for the RPI increases which will mean that tag users will see costs increase at a slower rate than for cash users.

Finally, regardless of the outcome of the election on 1st May, I would like to thank all clerks across the division for your brilliant work during the last 4 years – it has been an absolute honour to get to know you all, and work so closely and cooperatively together. And a huge thanks to all Parish Councillors as well, you all volunteer your time willingly for the betterment of your parishes and I am extremely grateful for all you do.

For those of you not standing again, enjoy your retirement from your local councils – I know many of you will continue to be involved and volunteering in other aspects as well.

All best wishes, and thank you again.

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