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Meetings Attended February 2022.

A quiet month for meetings this month with only one meeting attended.

Mayors of Cornwall meeting February 17th 2022.

Attendance for this meeting was well down this month as there seemed to be technical issues with people joining the meeting. Topics that were talked about this month were the precepts that local councils had agreed to for the coming financial year, and on this subject i was very pleased to promote Padstow as a council that was fortunate enough not to have had to set a precept again this year which i think was received with total surprise.

An update was given by the Launceston town mayor on the progression of the ongoing talks regarding their leisure centre, and he seems very positive that in the end there will be a positive outcome. The mayor of Newquay spoke how Newquay had been through this 4 years ago and were fortunate enough that a takeover bid was a success, and the leisure centre/swimming pool were now open a lot longer than ever before. This in turn is enabling them to offer a much wider range of activities and classes, which have produced a far larger membership resulting in greater profits. It was mentioned that this group are interested in the Wadebridge and Falmouth leisure centres which Newquay town mayor seems to think would be a very positive outcome for both towns. He also invited anyone to go down to Newquay and be shown around their facilities if they were interested. Some representatives talked about how their town regeneration plans were progressing and what funding was being given towards their programmes from the last of the European funding pot, and also government funding. Lastly the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations were mentioned by a few councils and looks like Cornwall will not be lacking in finding plenty to see and do over the extended bank holiday weekend in June, besides attending and getting involved as the plans get unveiled here in Padstow.

Kind Regards James O'Keefe (Deputy Mayor)