

History Working Party Report 2022 – 2023

Members: Trudy Reynolds and Nick Foster (Parish Councillors); Andy Trudgian and Sue Facey (Charlestown History Group).

Both the Charlestown History Group and the Parish Council have been involved in ongoing projects promoting the historic features and information in the parish. Archive material is available for viewing at the Pattern Hall, Charlestown at certain times and the content on the Charlestown History Group website is increasing all the time.

The Charlestown History Group has taken the lead on work at Charlestown Battery including the successful raising of the flagpole on 4 March 2023.

The parish council is taking the lead on the other major project with the creation of an Information Board and Visitors's Guide for Charlestown. Consultations with businesses, residents and other relevant bodies have been undertaken and the Information Board is in the final design stage. The main board will be located at the top of the Harbour with a similar board in the main car park. In addition to giving factual information about the village it will also promote a walking route around the Harbour with the key historic features being highlighted by numbered QR code boards. It is hoped that the Board and QR codes will be installed before the start of the main summer season. Similar projects for Porthpean and Duporth will be undertaken next year.

Work is also ongoing on walking routes around the parish to encourage visitors and residents to explore Duporth, Porthpean and Trenarren. Relevant historic features will be highlighted..

Anyone with an interest in the history of the parish would be welcome to get involved and join the group.