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GOOD NEWS

WATER

Water Aid reports that for the first time in history just over 9 in 10 people in the world have clean water (but over 1000 children today will die still today and every day because they have to drink dirty water).

A GREENGROCERS FOR FALMOUTH

Falmouth has been without a greengrocers for several years. Now a new shop has opened called Mr Ragamuffins, selling fresh local produce and apparently the best tasting tomatoes ever, local produce being sold when possible. (good - the mushrooms I bought from Sainsbury's. recently came all the way from Poland)

SEA SHANTY FESTIVAL

Good free entertainment with the international Sea Shanty Festival was provided in Falmouth this weekend for locals and visitors. The streets and locations were packed with visitors and a good atmosphere prevailed throughout

THE BIG GREEN WEEK

Was celebrated locally by daily displays and events in the foyer of our local Library. Although it was pouring with rain we had quite a number of visitors to our Town Fair Trade Steering Group where four of us set up a colourful stall with posters, information leaflets, free tastings of Fair Trade Chocolate and cookies made with Fair trade ingredients. Informative conversations took place including with some overseas visitors. Other groups participating include marine conservation, council recycling service and sustainability groups.

FOR REFLECTION AND PRAYER

NOT SO GOOD, FALMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

We had a good Market on the Moor on Tuesdays in Falmouth, selling freshly caught local fish, Cornish honey, Cornish chesses, home smoked meats, a delicious array of pasties, cakes, biscuits and the best local saffron buns. This has been discontinued as the council is losing money on it. A big loss to those stall holders.

USE OF PHONE LANDLINES

Were supposed to be discontinued by 2025. But because of "vulnerable people" this has been delayed till 2027, discriminating against those who do not use a mobile.

GENERAL ELECTION

The Anglican Diocese of Truro (i.e. Cornwall) gives 5 critical questions to put to local MPs.

You have heard what they think

Now tell them what you think:

- *How are you going to reverse the continuing decline in wildlife?*
- *What is you plan to tackle the pollution in Cornwall's rivers and sea?*
- *What measures would you take to increase nature-friendly farming?*
- *What actions are you taking on the climate emergency?*
- *How ae you going to make sure everyone in your constituency is able to enjoy nature locally?*

Another set of questions will come next week. So far just 2 hustings are planned by churches for Cornwall, one in Launceston and one in Saltash.

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