I attended an all members briefing on the new waste and recycling collection service which will go live next week, January 16th with food waste and recycling, the following week, food waste and Wheelie bins or seagull proof sacks. By now the majority should have received their new wheelie bins or seagull proof sacks and food waste containers. Although I have expressed concerns about the new system regarding flats and accessibility, plus properties used as holiday lets, my concerns fell on deaf ears. I sincerely hope that the new system proves to be a success otherwise I fear rubbish will be piled high on our streets and country roads. I also fear an increase in fly tipping. But time will tell.

I have attended an appeals committee hearing at New County Hall on Monday, where four school transport appeals were heard.

Yesterday I attended the Cornwall Airport Newquay Forum, I can report that since last years failed rocket launch 13 new space related business have located at Spaceport and they hope to announce a new launch partner in March. Spaceport has joined the new Spaceport Alliance, a joint venture with other spaceports. This is to ensure that should any craft need emergency landing they can utilise the facilities at Spaceport Cornwall and Vis versa. The Spaceport has also now been integrated into Cornwall Airport Newquay.

The airport has seen record numbers since April of this year to date with 365,281 passengers having used the airport. It is hoped that a new route to Stanstead will be operating soon. Cornwall Council has been actively looking for a new investment partner for the airport and it's hoped that an announcement will be made in the next few months. This will help negate the current annual Four-million-pound subsidy the airport gets form Cornish Taxpayers.

Tomorrow I will be attending the Community Aera Partnership meeting in Perranporth.

I have delt with questions and concerns from residents throughout the area covering many different matters in person, by phone and email.

I am sorry I can't be with you tonight as I am attending a family event which has been planned for some time. My wife and I enjoyed the Christmas and New Year in Virginia with our son and daughter-in-law. Still no sign of any grandchild, YET!!!!!

I Wish you all a very happy new year.

Best wishes Paul.