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Rector's notes – MAY 2022

Now that the spring is properly here, we are well into wedding and baptism season. It often surprises me (in a good way) how such a good number of people still really want to have these church services. God is evidently still important to many people in their twenties, thirties and forties. I also find very often that at baptisms when I have a chance to explain something about faith to people of all ages, that a lot of people seem genuinely engaged and interested! What this interest far less frequently translates into is... regular church attendance. So, we do have some great 'warm links' with a lot of people, but plainly we need to think of other ways of drawing them properly into a faith community. Traditional models of worship are very precious to many of us insiders, and some people returning to faith are really happy to become part of these ways of worshipping – finding a real welcome, and growing in faith. But I'm sure we're going to need to think of other, new ways of engaging with people - alongside our traditional models.

Those who came to the On the Way update at the end of March heard about the deanery leadership team's determination to prioritise *sharing the good news of Jesus Christ* as a really significant part of the vision for our deanery in the future. One of the likely outcomes of that vision will be us becoming much more organised about giving each other confidence to speak for freely about our own faith stories. There are *loads* of ways to share our faith, and I'm sure there is much we can do to make that whole idea of sharing faith less daunting, and more natural. Knowing we are loved by God, and that he is actually interested in us, and has plans and purposes for our lives, whatever our age, really is wonderful news that is so worth sharing!

At the same time, we still have such great opportunities in schools too. Last month, I mentioned that two schools were coming into church to hear about '*Salvation – why does Easter matter to Christians?*'. Having cleared it with the schools first, as I explained the significance of Maundy Thursday and the Last supper, I offered the children the chance to come up to receive an unconsecrated communion wafer. Almost all did. For each one, as I put it in their hand, I simply looked at them and said 'God bless you'. I actually felt quite emotional as each child was blessed before God, and received (albeit an unconsecrated) symbol of the gift of Jesus' life. We have no idea what these moments mean for those children at that moment, or what they might mean in the future. But I do believe God doesn't waste any of these moments. May God keep blessing and drawing to himself people of all ages from the communities we serve.

***With my prayers and best wishes
Caspar Bush (Team Rector)***

THE HAPPY NEWS

It started off as a Christmas present and now a copy appears every quarter. The strap-line for the paper is:

A newspaper to celebrate all that's good in the world

And its web-site, if you wanted more information is:

www.thehappynewspaper.com

Here are just a few of the headlines and articles that are in the current issue:

190 YEAR OLD TORTOISE BECOMES THE OLDEST LIVING LAND ANIMAL

The tortoise, named JONATHAN, lives on the island of St. Helena in the South Atlantic. He spends most of his time sleeping and eating.

'WOOD WIDE WEB' TO BE MAPPED FOR THE FIRST TIME

Known as *the circulatory system of the planet*, or the 'Wood Wide Web' vast networks of fungi are to be mapped for the first time. This is in an attempt to protect them from damage, improve their stability and to store carbon dioxide.

170 YEARS OF TRANSFORMING LIVES

In 1852 GOSH opened in a 17th century town house. There were 10 beds, two physicians and became known as The Hospital for Sick Children. Since then it has become the pioneering hospital of today: eg. in 1883 it pioneered the 'no touch technique' of only using sterilised instruments, and in 2021 it opened the 'Sight & Sound Centre' for deaf / blind children.

ICELAND TO END WHALING BY 2024 Iceland is one of only three countries that still allows whaling. For social, economic and environmental reasons whaling will be banned in Icelandic waters by 2024.

ROAD RE-NAMED

Haringey Council has voted to re-name Black Boy Lane in Tottenham to encourage diversity. It will now be called La Rose, after the poet John La Rose, who founded the first Caribbean publishing company in Britain. He also founded the 'Black Parents Movement' in 1975

So, although the world is caught up in many dangerous and different situations, THE HAPPY NEWS shows that other great and exciting events are also happening!!

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ST STEPHEN'S TRELEIGH



The people of St. Stephen's Church were saddened to hear of the death of their dear friend Rose Waring. Our thoughts and prayers are with Terry and all the family at this difficult time.

There is a tribute to Rose on page 11.

The Informal Holy Communion Service held on the first Sunday of each month has been widely accepted and enjoyed especially when Caspar has erected the screen to enhance the service pictorially. Thank you Caspar.

Our thanks also go to Reverend Margaret and Fr. Peter for the peaceful Healing Service held on the 2nd Friday of the month at 7pm. There is no obligation to receive the Laying on of Hands and Anointing as the format enables one to just sit, listen and be still.

Easter at St. Stephen's Church started at 6pm on Maundy Thursday when Caspar presided over a rather small congregation but it was very moving service of The Lord's Supper and a few people presented themselves for the Footwashing. The service ended with the altar and sanctuary being quietly stripped bare while Caspar read verses from Psalms and Lamentations, this was followed by the Watch and a quiet departure from the church.

Good Friday brought the Cornish Mizzle and so the Stations of the Cross took place in the church rather than the Hawthorn Garden as was hoped. However, Jim led a very thought provoking service inspired by "Prayers of Life" by Michel Quoist which were interspersed by a verse from a hymn and a short prayer as he moved to each station. The people left in silence to further contemplate the Easter story.

The APCM will be held on Thursday, 28th April at 10.45am following the 10am HC Service.

Christine Cunningham

ST EUNY

The Easter Garden has been prepared and St Euny looks forward to celebrating this most important festival of the Church's year. This year the Easter Garden has been prepared by Liz H and contains the traditional three aspects: the mound with one or three crosses and the tomb. The practice of making up a garden to place in church is relatively recent in this country, apparently starting in the late 1920s as part of a drive to make Sunday School teaching more exciting. Models of bible scenes became popular after an exhibition in Sheffield in 1927 and references to Easter Gardens in Churches in Cornwall are found frequently in the 1930s.

Earlier than this, the enthusiasm for gardening at Easter time had been popular in Britain, seeds and tubers being advertised throughout the nineteenth and early twentieth century with many printed articles advising on the benefits of using the holiday for gardening. It was generally thought to be the weekend in the year best suited to planting seeds and preparing the garden for summer.

The idea of a special display for Easter goes back much longer than this, and was in common practice by the late middle ages. Most churches had their Easter Sepulchre up to the time of the Reformation. Being such an old church we might assume that this would have been the practice at Easter at St Euny. By the late middle ages every church was obliged to provide an Easter Sepulchre for Holy Week. These would most frequently consist of a wooden frame which could be decorated with carvings and decorated textiles. In more wealthy churches the Easter Sepulchres were made in niches or were created by bequests for table top tombs.

They were traditionally located in the north aisle. Decoration did not follow any prescribed style or character, so could cover any biblical story or chosen decorative pattern, although they were most commonly representation of the events of Holy Week and The Passion. The host contained in a pyx was placed in the Easter Sepulchre on Good Friday and watched over until early on Easter morning when it was removed to its usual position at the high altar. The Easter Sepulchre was integral to liturgy in Holy Week and in Easter Week and was usually removed on the Friday of Easter Week. This practice was one of the many removed at the Reformation.

We have no records of the church prior to the renovations of 1768 when the medieval church was transformed into the Georgian interior that we have today, so we have no certain picture of the church at this time and whether it had a permanent Easter Sepulchre in stone. It is, however, interesting to reflect that the 'modern' customs which we follow today could be seen as a continuation of ancient practices which have been in place since the 10th century or earlier.

Our regular Wednesday Open Café is having an Easter break and will resume on Wednesday 4th May. After more than a year of holding the Internet Café in parallel with the Open Cafe, CN4C have decided to stop this service due to the low take-up in recent months.

Linda Beskeen

St. Andrew's Pencoys with Four Lanes Methodist Church 'FLAPJACK'

Worshipping, praying and working together as 'One in Christ'

With the miraculous re-birth of the beauty of spring all around us, it is horrible to witness the brutal devastation and destruction of Ukraine and the wretched desperation of its people at what should be a gloriously hopeful time of year. Therefore prayers for Ukraine and its people continued at **the First Sunday Evening Event** on 3rd April when £250 was raised to support them through the DEC, with a review of the various charities supported since 2012, and we thank everyone who has given so generously on each occasion over the past decade. The next Event will be held on **Sunday, 1st May** at Christchurch Lanner at 6pm.

The weekly Benefice Holy Communion service remains on Zoom from a live church service at 9.30am or 11.15am, details of which are in the weekly sheet or online from www.redruthchurch.org.uk). Flapjack services and events during May will be:

Sunday, 1st May: Flapjack Holy Communion at Four Lanes Methodist Church, 11.15am Light-house (Young people's project, parents and carers welcome) from 3-5pm.

Wednesday 4th May, Flapjack/DCC Meeting, 4pm at St. Andrew's Pencoys.

Sunday 8th May April Flapjack Family Event at St. Andrew's Pencoys 11.15am followed by a said service of Holy Communion at 12.30pm.

Sunday 15th May: Methodist Morning Service 11.15am at the Methodist Church; sung Holy Communion at 6pm St. Andrew's Pencoys.

Sunday 22nd May: Flapjack Holy Communion with hymns at St. Andrew's Pencoys, 11.15am and Teatime Celebration in Pencoys Hall from 4 to 5pm.

Thursday, 26th May Ascension Day Service 6pm at St. Andrew's Pencoys

Sunday, 29th May: Breakfast Service 9.30am at the Methodist Church and **Benefice Holy Communion** service at St. Andrew's Pencoys, 10.30am.

Tuesday 31st May: "Thy Kingdom Come" Prayer stations at St. Andrew's Pencoys.

The FIRST SATURDAY QUIZ will hopefully re-start in the Hall on **7th May**, but please check the weekly pew sheet for updated details or contact Fr. Peter (07903 807946). If you would like to compete, please come along to Pencoys Hall for 7pm. There is no need to bring a full team unless you wish to. The charge is £3 per person.

A new social event, a Games Evening starting with "Fun Prize Bingo", will begin on **17th May** in Pencoys Hall and continue on each third Saturday evening monthly, possibly including a cake raffle, from 6 to 8pm, with light refreshments, at £3 per person. The Community Pantry in the church porch continues to thrive, and we thank those who contribute. Do please help yourself, or someone who needs them, to perishable goods before they deteriorate.

From "The Little Book of God's Love": "A joyful heart is the normal result of a heart burning with love Be kind and merciful; let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness: kindness in your face, in your eyes, in your smile and in your warm greeting." (Mother (St.) Teresa of Calcutta)

Jill Tolputt

CHRISTCHURCH LANNER

Thank you if you were able to be part of the EASTER TRIDIUM at Christchurch. Black Jack (the miniature horse) led the Palm Sunday procession and left a gift in the church!! The Seder Picnic proved to be enjoyable and the Saturday New Fire did not raise the alarm. Easter Sunday gave us the launch of the new Christchurch 105 Service with a new Mass setting and new hymns you'd love it!!

**ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, THE LORD IS RISEN, HE IS RISEN INDEED ALLELUIA
FILM CLUB RETURNS!!**

The popular monthly FILM CLUB returns on FRIDAY MAY 27. Doors open at 6.30pm and the film starts at 7.00pm. There is a membership charge of £5.00 and it is £2.00 to watch the film including ice-cream. Previous films have included: **"Bait" "Passport to Pimlico" "Cinderella" "The Imitation Game" "Red Joan" "Fishermen's Friends" "Stan & Ollie" "A day at the races" "Finding your feet"** and lots more since the club started in January 2018 with **"Mama Mia"**

PLATINUM JUBILEE DATES

Although it is a little time away, Christchurch ae planning for their Jubilee celebrations. So for far the following events are in the diary note there are some slight changes

MONDAY MAY 30:

Margaret's Jubilee Tea-Party in the hall, 2.00pm – 4.00pm



TUESDAY MAY 31:

**Jubilee Juke-Box Sing-a-long Concert, 7.00pm.,
Church (new event!!)**

WEDNESDAY JUNE 1: A film of the coronation, 7.00pm



THURSDAY JUNE 2:

A civic service to celebrate the platinum jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II, 7.00pm with Bishop Hugh



Thank you also for your continued support for all our events.

ST ANDREW REDRUTH

St Andrew's is preparing for a season of festivity with many exciting plans for the coming months.

On Sunday 1st May at 7.30pm the Cornwall International Male Choral Festival returns to St Andrew's for one of their regional Gala Concerts. This festival celebrates the long tradition of male choirs in Cornwall, with a planned schedule of 40 events across 30 venues in Cornwall, most of the concert venues being churches or chapels. More than 50 choirs from the UK, Europe and Canada will be participating, giving more informal daytime singing events at a number of well known Cornish attractions, St Michael's Mount, Pendennis Castle, Trebah Gardens and Healey's Cider Farm amongst them. Our evening concert will include Four Lanes Male Voice Choir, Raddbandafélag Rekjavíkur from Iceland, Turomance and Minehead Male Voice Choir. Tickets can be purchased in advance via the Hall for Cornwall website and will also be available on the door.

An innovation for St Andrew's will be the Celebration of Flowers, Weddings and Baptisms which will be open in the church during the day from 10am to 4.00pm from Thursday 12th May to Saturday 14th May inclusive. This is a wonderful opportunity to encourage anyone considering a church service to consecrate their marriage or enter their children into baptism to come and find out more about the process in an informal welcoming atmosphere. If anyone knows someone who might be interested, please do encourage them to come along. The St Andrews's Arts Festival returns in person this summer, starting on Saturday 18th June, Murdoch Day. The programme is almost complete and will include most of the familiar events and some new aspects. Again, all offers of help and support will be welcome to help this to be the success we have enjoyed in previous years. It has been a great encouragement to people of all degrees of faith to familiarise themselves with our church building and congregation through a variety of activities.

Our toddler group continues with a strong group of regulars. If you feel that you could offer some time to be on a rota of helpers for Thursday mornings, term-time only, from 9.00am to 11.30am, please do contact Fran Thurston.

The spring plants flowering in the garden at St Andrew's lift the spirit and are a welcome reward for the work done by the 'Green Team'. Thank you.

A Reminder: the healing service held monthly at Treleigh is for the whole Benefice. It is a beautifully calm and reflective service with individual prayer and blessing. It is open to all and a special offering to non-churchgoers who may find the great comfort this brings to all who attend. The regular time for this is the second Friday in the month at 7.00pm at St Stephen, Treleigh.

Linda Beskeen



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FROM THE REGISTERS

FUNERALS

06 April 2022	Beverley Lowdnes	St Euny
12 April 2022	Rosemary (Rose) Waring	Treswithian Crematorium

WEDDINGS

02 April 2022	Dean Paul Paddam and Leia Marie Moscato	St Stephen Treleigh
09 April 2022	Kenneth James Stevenson and Marion Ann Young	St Stephen Treleigh

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

It is good to note that weddings are now coming back to our churches after the lockdowns and Covid effects.

We look forward to many more as the year progresses



Remembering Rose Waring

On Tuesday 12th April we said farewell to our dear Rose in a very moving Memorial Service at Treleigh Church. Rose and Terry's connection with Treleigh goes back over thirty years to when their children, Stacey and Martin attended the Sunday School and where Stacey was later married and where Rose and Terry had their Ruby Wedding blessed. In 2016, Rose and Terry became regular attenders at Church and were confirmed by Bishop Tim.

Alongside her great love for line dancing and horse riding, Rose was a great supporter of Church activities, serving tea after services, selling jewellery at the Summer Fetes, delighting to colourfully dress the part at fund raisers, such as the Sixties' Night in aid of the Hall Fund, and attending Lent and Advent Study Groups. Rose always brought a sense of fun to the Ladies' Group outings, particularly enjoying the Christmas lunches and the many trips to garden centres for a little retail therapy! Rose and Terry also particularly enjoyed short breaks away in Scotland with friends from Church.

Rose had a gift for putting everyone at their ease; as a Teaching Assistant at Treleigh School and in her later work within the NHS with vulnerable young adults, she became a vital source of support and wise encouragement to so many and was greatly missed on her retirement.

During the first COVID lockdown, Rose set up the Treleigh Ladies' Messaging Group, determined to find a way for everyone to keep in touch when not being able to meet in person. The value of knowing that everyone was all right at the end of each day, with 'Goodnight and God bless' pinging around the area, was a delight to Rose and a blessing to all. The Messaging Group became, and still is, an immediate prayer chain for the needs of the wider community. Rose would also meet with us in the Morning Prayer Zoom, sometimes from her hospital bed. We are delighted that Rose's sister, Tricia Stratton, joins our Benefice Zoom Services every Sunday from her home in London.

Throughout her lengthy treatment for cancer, Rose astounded everyone with her refusal to become angry at her condition, preferring to make the most of her time and energy enjoying life with Terry, her family and friends. We remember Terry, Stacey, Martin and all the family at this very sad time.

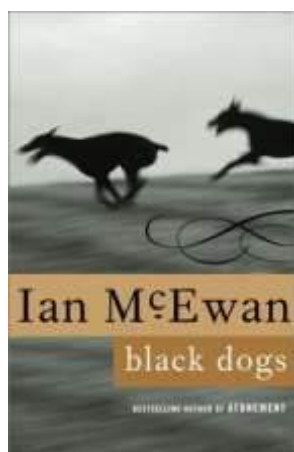
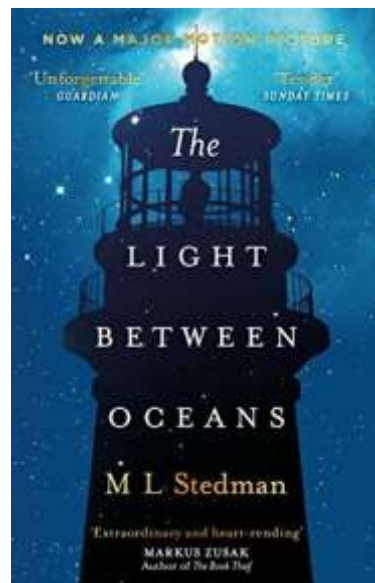
In her own, often-used words, we will always 'love you muchly', Rose.

Trish Knights

Book Club

The Book Club will meet next on Friday May 6th at Margaret Saville's when we will be discussing our April book 'Light Between the Oceans' by M L Stedman.

Australia 1926. After four harrowing years fighting on the Western Front Tom Sherbourne returns home to take a job as a lighthouse keeper on Janus Rock, nearly half a day's journey from the coast. To this isolated island where the supply boats comes once a season and shore leaves are granted every other year at best, Tom brings a young, bold and loving wife Isabel. Years later after two miscarriages and one stillbirth the grieving Isabel hears a baby's cry on the wind...



The book chosen for the May read is 'Black Dogs' by Ian McEwan. Two young Communist Party members, June and Bernard, meet in London in 1946. They fall deeply and quickly in love. They marry. On their honeymoon in France, June has a life-altering experience, discovers religion, and ultimately renounces her allegiance to the party. Five years later, June and Bernard Tremaine separate, but they never divorce, and never become romantically involved with others. Belief waning more slowly, Bernard stays a party member until 1956.

McEwan introduces June and Bernard as young lovers. Readers meet them again some forty years later when their son-in-law, Jeremy, spends time with both June and Bernard as he interviews each of them for June's memoir. Jeremy himself becomes a character in this novel and in the mock memoir within it.

Religion versus rationality. Your memory versus mine. Love versus daily existence. Sacrificing an individual for the good of the masses. So goes **Black Dogs**. Set against the fall of the Berlin Wall, the novel travels back in time to Europe after World War II and shows how that war and its demons changed the path of one family. Metaphorically and literally, the black dogs of the title roam the landscape of this novel—Europe and the Tremaine family.

Sue Pearce



Easter Day at St Stephen Treleigh

The Easter Sunday service was a joyful occasion presided over by Reverend Margaret and commenced with the lighting of the Paschal Candle outside the church where the people had congregated in sunshine and to the sound of birdsong.

After the candle was carried into church our voices rang out with the hymn of Jesus Christ is Risen today, Alleluia!

During the service we were able to renew our Baptismal vows around the font with the Holy water being sprinkled on us all.

The Easter garden and the Easter chick eggs were blessed and these were distributed to the congregation at the end of the service.

During the distribution of Holy Communion we were privileged to have Steph sing for us, accompanied by Lynn on the keyboard

Christine Cunningham

Thank you to Rosemary for typing out my articles each month and to Jason for providing the excellent pictures for the cover page.

Michael Tangye

Pentecost (Body, Mind, and Spirit) Trinity

by Sheila Gannaway

Our God, of Body, Mind and Spirit,
Creators Mind, the Holy One;
To save mankind, from Adam's sin
In body, sent your only Son.

When Christ, in Body Ascended,
To Your side, from whence He came;
Sent Your Holy Spirit, to our hearts,
To guide us, in His name.

As Counsellor, He comes,
Not just to guide or lives, and make us strong;
But, like a loving parent,
He is there to tell us, when we're wrong.

May we, be like the first Apostles,
Intoxicated, with Your Love;
Our hearts aflame, with Holy Spirit,
Descend upon us, like a Dove.

With Peace and Joy and Love
Your many gifts for all, our hearts to fill;
This Peace, that brings it's own reward,
Of knowing, that we do Your will.

As we receive, fruit of the Spirit,
Freely share, with all we see;
Then ask ourselves,
"can I see Christ, in them?
Can they see Christ in, me?"

Your Holy Spirit, gives us power,
To fill our hearts, each day anew;
Our God, of Father, son, and Spirit,
We believe, and trust, in You.

EXCERPTS FROM A DAILY JOURNAL 1985

by Michael Tangye

January 20 1985 'I was told today of a cottage situated within a row below the road level at Rounding Walls, Illogan Highway, which is haunted. Lights within it suddenly go off or on, along with the television set. Footsteps are heard moving past the enclosed area at the rear of the cottage. Although there are no 'smokers' in the dwelling rooms can suddenly be filled with the strong smell of pipe tobacco'.

Feb 17 'chatted with elderly Mrs Harris, a pleasant lady of Falmouth Road. She showed me a photograph of her son Donald Harris, the Redruth renowned bass-baritone who died aged 27yrs with a brain tumour, Blessed with an outstanding voice he was obviously destined for greatness as a soloist in the Sadler's Wells Opera Company. I heard him sing only once, when a school boy at Trewirgie School during World War 2, when he came home on leave from the Royal Navy. The whole school assembled in the main hall where he, dressed in his naval uniform, sang several solos. Such a voice that he would have joined the list of outstanding Cornish soloists.'

July 19 'Walked to Wheal Peevor. I looked at the great engine houses, the buddles lying below the bed pillars of Californian Stamps; scratched in the cement of one I noted, "Mason Thomas Woolcock, Pink Moors, St Day," probably carved in about 1912. I recalled days of boyhood when the towering engine-houses became desert forts of the French Foreign Legion, or medieval castles to be attacked and defeated in our play. To the west of the three engine-houses remains the lower section of another engine-house of which I did a drawing in 1961 when complete. Sadly most of it was demolished in 1967 by a Canadian Company intending to re-work the mine, which did not materialise. The blacksmith shop which served as a church, before the church was built on its present site at Treleigh in 1865-66, still remains.

At the site of the Great North Downs Mine only three tiers of a stack remain. The various mining spoil heaps are being levelled and removed and replaced with top soil for the building of a golf course, the associated club house of which has been built. Soon there will be no remnants left of this formerly large mine which is said to be still rich in minerals. At Wheal Rose many shafts, as at North Downs, are being filled and capped.

It was here during the last war that the American soldiers built an assault course—trenches, gun emplacement trenches, dug-outs etc prior to leaving from the Fal to their slaughter on the now sadly recalled Omaha Beach on D-Day. So many sand bags were left that we called the area that. It provided an area where we, as boys, fought less harmful battles in our play.'

Sept 4 'Had a conversation with Dr Clahane en-route to Treリス hospital. I asked him had he ever operated on any patients at home, which was at one time done. He said that when he came to Redruth in 1935, he and fellow Irishman Dr O'Donnell, both practitioners and surgeons, were called to an elderly man at Lanner who had a strangulated hernia. They told him that he would have to be taken to Redruth Hospital for an immediate operation. Whereupon the old man insisted that they do it on his kitchen table.

This they did, with fellow Dr MacDonald using open ether as was then the basic form of anaesthesia. The operation was successful and the old man made a full recovery.

They also did tonsillectomy's in homes, and regularly extracted teeth at the surgery, where most refused an injection of cocaine as an anaesthetic. It was at that time traditional for the family doctor to pull teeth' Tough people in tough times!



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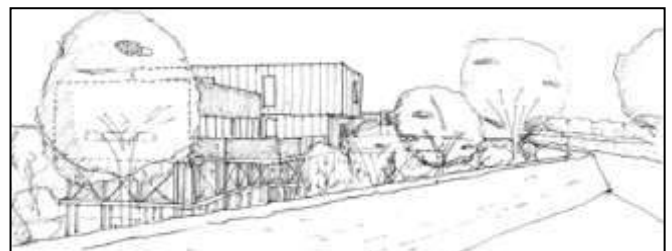
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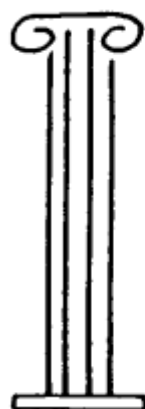


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