

## ***National Carers Week events across Cornwall***

*There are estimated to be 55,000 carers in Cornwall, which is approximately 10% of the population. These are people who care for a relative, partner, friend or neighbour, that may be unable to remain independent in their own home without support.*

*It is National Carers Week from 14 to 20 June and to raise awareness and identify carers in Cornwall, three of the main Cornish carers support services are working in partnership to hold some events. Carers Support staff from the Cornwall Rural Community Council (CRCC), Origo and Cornwall Community Volunteer Services (CCVS) will offer free impartial advice, information on a wide range of carer issues and signpost people to appropriate services.*

*Monica Thomas of CRCC said:*

*'This is a great opportunity for Cornish carer support services to be working in partnership and we hope that with our joint wealth of experience we can identify and advise many new carers who may have previously been unaware of the services and support we can offer.'*

*There are two events being held in **Truro** on Wednesday **16 June** at Truro Library and Truro Farmers Market both from 9.30am to 3.30pm.*

*Two events in **Penzance** on Wednesday **16 June** at West Cornwall Hospital and Morrisons supermarket both from 9.30am to 3.30pm.*

*There will also be two events in **Bodmin** on Friday **18 June**, at Sainsburys supermarket and Bodmin Library both from 9.30am to 3.30pm.*

*If you would like further details about any of these events please contact CRCC on 01872 243531.*