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Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone had a lovely Easter, we have had some lovely weather. I'm sure many Children have enjoyed taking part in the Easter trails around town during their time off school.

A big thank you to those members of the community who gave up their morning to clean up the graffiti around town and at the skate park, it was very much appreciated.

Tuckers Plot talks about 'Beans' this month, check out her recipe on page 18.

Don't forget to also have a look to see who our 'Junior Blogger' is this month

Another big thank you to Christina Knights who has yet again provided us with an amazing seasonal front cover.

Please continue to support all our local shops and businesses.

Best wishes to you all!

Donna Lewis

Where's Wally???

Can you find him hidden somewhere in the pump?

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Sunday 2nd May – The Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 9.30am Morning Prayer (Michael Winter) Exbourne
- 9.30am All Age Worship (Sue Gibson) Meeth
- 9.30am Morning Prayer (Sandy Flack) Northlew
- 11.00am Morning Prayer (Michael Winter) Hatherleigh

Sunday 9th **May –** *The Sixth Sunday of Easter*

- 9.30am Morning Prayer (Sandy Flack) Jacobstowe
- 9.30am Holy Communion (Leigh Winsbury) Northlew
- 11.00am Morning Prayer (Sandy Flack) Meeth
- 11.00am Holy Communion (Leigh Winsbury) Hatherleigh

Sunday 16th May - The Seventh Sunday of Easter

- 9.30am Holy Communion (Leigh Winsbury) Meeth
- 9.30am Morning Prayer (Tania Haycocks) Northlew
- 11.00am Holy Communion by Extension (Michael Winter) Exbourne
- 11.00am Family Service (Leigh Winsbury) Hatherleigh

Sunday 23rd May – Day of Pentecost (Whit Sunday)

- 9.30am Holy Communion (Leigh Winsbury) Jacobstowe
- 9.30am Morning Prayer (Derek & Elvira Chivers) Northlew
- 11.00am Holy Communion (Leigh Winsbury) Exbourne
- 11.00am Morning Service (Lay Team) Hatherleigh
- 6.00pm Choral Evensong (BCP) (Leigh Winsbury) Hatherleigh

Sunday 30th May – *Trinity Sunday*

11.00am Group Service for the 5th Sunday (Leigh Winsbury) Hatherleigh

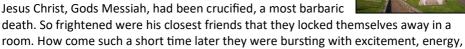
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Dear Friends,

Although we don't all know it, we are living through an amazing few weeks in the life of the world.



enthusiasm. Appearing to grab the very words they spoke out of thin air with an ardent desire to share about Gods saving Grace available to ALL of the world through the death of His Son.

Well – yes that is exactly what happened.

Jesus had told them he would arise from the dead, yet only when it became a reality could they sit aghast going 'yes it really has happened like He said it would'.

Other words Jesus said to them might have appeared, on the face of it, more difficult to obey when Jesus said to them 'Go into all the world telling folk of the Good News'. Good news – what good news – that Jesus Himself had come to break down the barrier which had been erected between humanity and God when sinfulness entered the world. Our determination to do our 'own thing' go our own way regardless of the consequences.

Yet, 11 frightened men – when filled with the Holy Spirit of God, following the commands of their leader obviously did go into the world spreading this Good News. We only have to look around us, see the countless number of churches, cathedrals, house churches spread throughout the world in which we live, to see how obedient those men were.

Surely that alone shouts to us all what a powerful and loving Creator God we have.

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Love, Sandy

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We are now taking bookings again for your event, party, wedding or meeting so please send us an email or ring the office for more details. Let's get this wonderful Community Centre up and running to its full potential again, as it is a great asset to our rural community.

For all enquiries please call 01837 810239 or email centre@hatherleigh.org.

Our current office hours are Wednesdays 9 am - 12 noon.

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Hatherleigh Community Primary School

The sun is shining and the Summer term has begun at Hatherleigh School, this not only marks the beginning of a new term but also the beginning of my third year as Headteacher, I can't quite believe two years have gone by so quickly.

They have been two amazing years despite the challenges of a Global pandemic and the continuing associated restrictions. Hopefully, the end is in sight and we will be able to resume being a whole school in the not too distant future.

The summer term has always been a very busy and exciting time and I am hoping activities and events such as day trips, residentials, sports day and the whole school walk will still be able to go ahead. It is also a slightly sad time as our Y6 children have begun their final term and will begin to look towards transition to High school.

Everyone is looking forward to an uninterrupted period of time in school where we can focus on teaching and learning and working together to meet the educational, social and emotional needs of our children and their families and enjoy some of the much needed school activities mentioned previously.

As always, I would like to finish by taking this opportunity to thank everyone in the Hatherleigh school community; children, parents/carers, school staff and the governing board for all of their hard work and support for the school during these challenging times.

Stay safe and well.
Alan Monger
Headteacher



Live, Love, Learn

'Let us spur one another to acts of love and good deeds.'

Hebrews 10:24

I have recently stepped into the new post as Principal of our village school and would like to thank the whole community, staff, pupils and parents for giving me such a warm welcome. The start of the summer term is always exciting for the children, with flowers in bloom, sunshine and plenty of outdoor activities to enjoy.

After such a year of restrictions and Covid safety measures, it has been delightful to see all children back in school again, enjoying their learning. Although measures are still in place, we are determined to enrich the curriculum and make the Summer term special for all in our school community.

Our family of schools in Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust are working more closely together for the benefit of all children's futures. Staff are working collaboratively across schools to share resources and good practice, to access excellent professional development and much more. There are many positives to draw from each other and our rural primary schools are really going to particularly benefit from this way of working co-operatively. To filter our Trust co-operative values down to everyone in our school community, we will focus on the values of DEMOCRACY and EQUALITY/ INCLUSION this half term. In our broad and inclusive approach. we offer a home for all and we accept all for who they are, and who they are becoming. Togetherness and trust are at the heart of these values.

Things to look forward to this term include having a re-vamp of our playground, more use of the playing field for outdoor learning and continued work with Reverend Leigh on our core values. It is an exciting time ahead for Exbourne C of E Primary!

Deirdre A Petersen Principal



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Junior Pump Blog

Our first Junior blogger this month is 7 year old Alicia-Rose, Alicia attends the local school.

Hello My name is Alicia-Rose I am 7, and i am 8 in May, I live with my mummy, my dog star, my cat Belle, my rabbit midnight and don't forget rainbow (my Teddy dog) and don't forget our fishes.

I loved my Easter holidays because my tadpoles had turned into frogs and there very cute, We did an Easter trail around Hatherleigh and thought it was funny because it started to snow! I loved finding my Easter eggs that the easter bunny hid around my house and i made yummy cakes with my mummy.

I went to made-well and we did the Easter trail, i saw all the animals and had great fun at the park, Ive been to a lot of parks in the holidays and lots of walks but my favourite of all was when i got to go to Crealy! I was finally aloud on the biggest ride and I loved it, the favourite bit was when my rainbow dog got to come on all the rides too. I also got to see some of my family and that made me very happy And last of, all me and mummy have been getting some tasty cakes from the market street cafe, they were very yummy.

By Alicia age 7 years.



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Hatherleigh Art Group

The relatively warm & dry weather allowed (up to six of) us to meet in my garden on the 14th April; the first time we have met in person since last Autumn! And on the 21st April we cleaned the 'Sheep' sculpture. We hope to continue working out-of-doors when dry.

Please contact **Alan** (01837 810024) or **Sally** (01837 810377/940) for further information.

'And then ... we went to Devon'

Newly published book by writer Brenda Kirkham: the ups & downs of family life in the early post-war years (1945-1952) including their times living at Grove Cottage, Hatherleigh. Find a copy (price £12.50) at the Salar Gallery now.

DON'T stay on-line for ever: there's a **REAL** world out here but it needs **YOUR** support **NOW!**This is more important than ever now that things are getting back to 'normal' & the Market development is still in progress so **PLEASE SHOP LOCAL!**

Hatherleigh pays tribute to George Tonkin

George Tonkin passed away peacefully in his sleep on 20th April. He will be sadly missed by his wife, Margaret and children Susan, Nic and Lisa.





St. John the Baptist Flower Rota - May



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Hatherleigh Open Gardens (& studios)

July 10th & 11th 1.30-5pm

Gardens (and studios) are still being offered (thank you) and still room for a few more. We hope to do home-made teas in a different garden each day. (We will only hold the event if Covid cases have disappeared or remain very low in this area).

Sally (01837 810377)

Hatherleigh Market

Finally, **Hatherleigh Market** fully re-opened on Tuesday 13th April. Car park behind the Co-op remains free from 9-1pm every Tuesday. Social distancing rules still apply.



Permission for pictures from Royston Stone Naylor





Julie Grey has been at the market each week in April selling how amazing cakes. All profits were being donated to Stand up to Cancer. If you would like to have a cake made by Julie please contact her on 07909522987 or email

Cakesbyjulie01@yahoo.com

Hatherleigh Methodist Church

Hello everyone,

We hope you are keeping well and enjoying this beautiful weather!

It has been so wonderful to have the Methodist chapel open once again for services. We enjoyed three services over the Easter period, one held



on Palm Sunday, followed by an Easter Sunday service. Then on Sunday 11th we held a family service at 4.00 in the afternoon which was a great success. So much so, that we would like to organise more Family/all age services. I am so sorry but we have not confirmed a date for May yet, so please look out for a poster on the chapel notice board for more information.

That said, Mrs Bridget Down is with us on Sunday 2nd May at 11.00 am. and she would like it to be a family friendly service. So, if any family wishes to attend, please book a table with me ASAP (cindy.jane@hotmail.co.uk)

There will be two further services in May - one on the 16th and the other on the 29th. Both at 11.00 am.

Please remember we abide by our covid health and safety regulations to help keep everyone safe.

Take care and we hope to see you soon!





The service started with the National Anthem, and a lit candle in honour of Prince Philip.

TUCKERS PLOT

Bean Going a Little Crazy?

If we have a little patch to grow veg we all seem to grow Runner Beans and Broad Beans but last year due to "lock down fever" I experimented with lots of different types of beans and peas which were surprisingly successful so why not give the more unusual beans a go too. You can eat them cooked from fresh or dry them for winter.



One of my favourites to grow is the Fabada Bean (giant Butter Bean)
Pictured. It grows like Runner Beans and produces lovely big fat beans, great for stews.

Blue Lake white beans, which can give an early crop of succulent pods to eat like runners and the later ones produce the white beans when the pod has got too tough to eat...... but don't stop there!...... Borlotti Beans, Butter Beans, Haricot Beans, Black Turtle Beans. Black Eyed Peas, Lima Beans, Mung Beans, Kidney Beans, Pinto Beans, Soya Beans, Chickpea, Rose Cocoa Beans will all grow in our climate and while you're at it why not do some Mangetout and Sugar Snap Peas and even lentils.

Before we brought back the Potato from The Americas and imported rice from The East we only had beans, peas and roots for our carbs so I say lets grow more pulses just for fun and some of the plants are really quite attractive. It's quite nice to pop a seed in and have no clue what the plant will look like!

If you are thinking "where on earth can I get the seeds from?!" I just used a certain supermarket's 10 dried bean mix... stuck them in and waited to see what happened! Any pulse you can buy dry to eat, you can shove in the ground and see what happens!

WARNING: Please remember that ALL beans contain toxins to a greater or lesser extent when fresh or dried so if using fresh beans, never eat the beans raw, put fresh beans in boiling water and boil hard for at least 10 mins (30 mins for Kidney Beans) and discard the water and then cook with them as you wish. If you've dried them then soak for 24 hours, boil as for fresh beans, discard the water and then cook your recipe with them. This applies to Chickpeas and Black Eyed Peas too but Mangetout and normal peas are fine to eat raw.

Best Burger Buns EVER

We all seem to be having barbecues now we can get together in our gardens so why not try this bun recipe; after all, if you have really good quality burgers then don't they deserve the best buns!



This recipe is for 8 largish buns:

350ml milk, 1 large beaten egg, 60g softened butter, 2 tbsp sugar, 2 1/4 tsp yeast, 1 1/2 tsp salt, 440g strong bread flour, Sesame seeds soaked in milk to wash buns before baking.

Shove it all in the bread maker on dough cycle if you have one or..... get mixing and kneading and rising.

When the dough is ready tear into 8 balls, flatten them out a little and give them a good slap to knock the air out. You want a shape as wide as the burger and flat all over before they rise.

Leave to prove somewhere warm on your slightly greased baking tray for 20-25 mins.

With your fingers get a little of the milky sesame seeds and smear over the top of each bun (this way the seeds mostly stay on the bun instead of pinging off everywhere!).

Cook in the oven pre-heated to 190 degrees for around 15-20 mins.

When you take the buns out and you are happy they are done, put them on a wire tray and wrap it in a tea towel to keep them soft and fluffy.

Split the buns and lightly toast/grill/griddle the inside when you do your burgers..... fill with burger and whatever other lusciousness takes your fancy...... oh! and it would be rude not to have a few fat chips with it too, wouldn't it!!!!!!..... yes!.... this is why I am the shape I am !!!!!

RUBY COUNTRY PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

The Ruby Country Photo Competition will be held as usual this year with the subject being RUBY COUNTRY RECOVERS FROM COVID . Please get snapping and send your entries in by the end of June. Both hard copy and digital entries will be accepted and will be displayed at the Hatherleigh Visitor Centre in mid July, The object is to get the photos for next years's RUBY COUNTRY CALENDAR, which I hope we will be allowed to sell them this year! If you would like one for this year we have plenty available still as we were closed for most of the sale period before Christmas. Entries should be sent either as hard copies to the Ruby Country Visitor Centre, 15 Market Street, Hatherleigh, EX20 5LE or by email to charlesdumpleton@yahoo.co.uk

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Now that we can get out and about a bit why not visit Halsdon Nature Reserve, which belongs to the Devon Wildlife Trust, The reserve provides the perfect place to see wildlife on a walk through oak woodland to the river Torridge and its surrounding river meadows. Halsdon's network of fracks tells of a past in which its woodland was exploited for timber. Today the nature reserve displays wonderful flowers in the spring, bluebells produce a blue haze beneath the woodland's green canopy, beautiful fungi in the autumn and is a nest site for many woodland birds. There is a hide which is the place to see wildlife and learn more about the nature reserve's history, including the ruins of a Victorian corn mill, the structure of which is now unsafe. To get the most from your visit without harming wildlife please remember don't pick flowers or disturb nesting birds. If you see anything particularly exciting please note it in the record book in the hide. Riding and cycling are not permitted on Halsdon but dogs are welcome in the woodland areas but not in the riverside meadows at any time. Please leave all gates as you find them, the terrain is uneven with some steep and muddy paths. Access to the river meadows is restricted, in the summer months access is by permit only, permits are available from the Devon Wildlife Trust, and in the winter months no more than two people walking together. There are two public car parks. The North entrance from the Ashwell car park is near a viewing point known as 'the top of the world' and the southern car park is located in an old quarry, one of the many mineral workings in this part of Devon. To get there by road turn right off the A386 towards Dolton, between Meeth and Merton, then after 1.4 miles turn left at Breaka Lane, next turn left at West Lane after .6 of a mile, after 1 mile turn left and the Halsdon Nature Reserve will be on the left.

DARTMOOR RAILWAY

Work started on the twenty second of April to prepare the old railway line from Okehampton to Exeter for reopening to regular passenger traffic. There are 15000 sleepers at Okehampton station to be laid replacing



eleven miles of track, using 24000 tons of ballast, Several bridges will have to be replaced, this will be done by laying new rail beds but leaving the external stonework alone, apart from repointing. The aim is to follow a three stage plan, The first stages is to get two hourly services running before the end of the year, The second is to expand to hourly services by the end of 2022 and the third is to open the line to freight as soon as a demand arises. This will happen initially using the existing Okehampton station whilst funding is being found to build the proposed new Okehampton Parkway station opposite the business park and Mole Avon. There are no plans to reopen the stations at North Tawton, Sampford Courtenay and Bow. There are eleven level crossing some of which are disused and others that will be fitted with signal lights and 'bells'.

The service will be running class 150 trains and once started will be a secure provision. About half of the trains will run to Exeter Central and half to St. David's, where they will connect with trains on the Barnstaple line, The aim is to have the first train of the day arrive in Exeter early enough for commuters using it to get to work at somewhere around eight in the morning and the last train returning between eight and nine in the evening. There will be a minimum of four bike spaces on each train and the car park at Okehampton station will be a pay and stay. If you want to follow progress you can do so by looking on dartmoorline.com

The line is reopening one hundred and fifty years exactly after the first opening and is the longest branch line to be reopened. The station is to be maintained as it is and will not be manned although it is expected that the buffet and the toilets will be open. Please use this line when it is open and support all those who have worked so hard to get to this point.

Hatherleigh Annual Parish Meeting



Tuesday May 4th 6.30pm Held via Zoom



Link details available on Hatherleigh Town Council May Agenda

The Parish meeting is separate from the Council meeting and is relatively informal.

This is an opportunity to share your views to the Council on community issues.

Hatherleigh Carnival



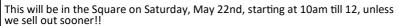
I'm sure, like me, many of you are eager to know if Hatherleigh can once again hold it's wonderful Carnival this November. Obviously with the vaccines, continuing research and constant improvements in the treatment of COVID and the notable drop in infection rate, life definitely

feels far more positive than this time last year! Despite this, there are so many other factors to take into consideration that the committee feel it's still too early to make a decision yet but will let everyone know as soon as a decision has been reached.

Hatherleigh has sadly lost an awful lot of well-loved residents in the past year, including our 2020 Honorary Carnival President Mr Gordon Reynolds, and our thoughts and warm wishes are with their families. We look forward to a time when we can all meet and celebrate again, but for now please stay safe.

HATHERLEIGH GARDENING CLUB: PLANT SALE

Emerging slowly from this latest lockdown, we have decided to celebrate, (as we did last year with our only event on the calendar), with a PLANT SALE.





No refreshments I'm afraid, but lots of lovely plants to suit all tastes and gardens. Come along and grab a bargain, we look forward to seeing you there.

And hopefully there may be more of a programme this year, including the postponed 25th anniversary Flower Show, all to be confirmed. Watch this space!

Susan Gill 01837 810893

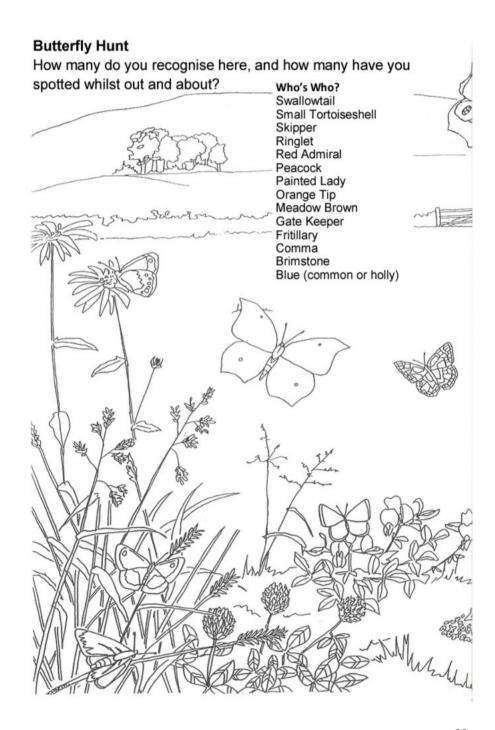
Happy 99th Birthday Gordon Causley.

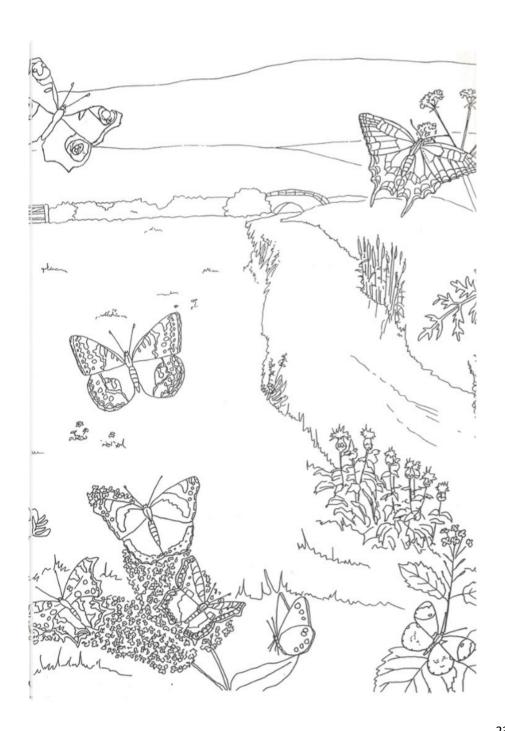
Many of you would of seen on Facebook, that keeping to government restrictions a few friends and family gathered outside Gordons House to wish him a very **Happy 99th Birthday**.



Hatherleigh's Junior Town Crier, Harry Lewis gave a short proclamation to help make this a very special occasion.









C.R.A.P—Community Roadside Action Party

Fed up of seeing our verges and roadsides strewn with rubbish, we've decided to take ACTION. The idea is that individuals or small groups 'adopt' a piece of roadside verge either near them, or on a route they often take, and show it some love by picking up the litter every so often. How often is up to you - once a week? Once a month? But if we all do a small bit REGULARLY then hopefully together we can make a **BIG IMPACT!**

C.R.A.P Safety:

- Wear high vis if possible
- Risk assess any stretches of road you are clearing-if its busy, don't bother.
- Wear rubber gloves be aware of covid risks and glass/sharp objects
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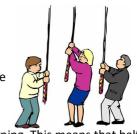
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Hatherleigh Bellringers

On Saturday 10th April a single bell was rung at noon to commemorate the life of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh. On the day of his funeral, a single bell was tolled just before 3 pm prior to the national one minute silence. Both times the bell



was rung half-muffled, as is customary on occasions of mourning. This means that half the bell clapper is covered so that on every alternate strike of the bell a softer echo is heard. Thanks to Rebecca Harrison for ringing on both occasions.

Until the restrictions on bellringing are clarified we don't know when the team will resume ringing for practise and services, but it is unlikely before June.

Isabella Whitworth

The Workshop Studio

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The Workshop Studio has had a makeover and will be ready as from 5th May, for Print Workshops, Art Classes and many other creative pursuits.

There will also be a Gallery for craft people and Artists.



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Saturday 9am - 1pm

Allowing for workshops to be run with the current Covid regulations.

Workshops and Art Classes dates and times will be announced in the Parish Pump and the Workshop Studio Facebook page.



Ascension Day, Hatherleigh, Year 2020

The day that Jesus left the Earth, ascending up to Heaven

Is the day we always celebrate in our small patch of Devon.

We call it 'Holy Thursday' though that's somewhat out of line

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To stop the youngsters visiting St Mary's Well that day

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With banners, Silver Band and all and Garland like a crown.

In the Churchyard all the children and the bigger ones as well

Would join hands and stretch all round the church in a circle of goodwill.

Girdling the Church as it is known, continues to this day

But in 2020 things have changed: we can't hold hands that way.

The church is closed, the churchyard too: no one can do the mowing

So glorious Nature has returned with beauty overflowing.

And grass that's full of daisies whichever way you look:

The Church is girdled once again, by Nature's holy book.

by Sally Vick





This is a well-known photo of the ladies of the parish "Girdling the Church" taken in 1976.

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Notes from last meeting April 13th held via Zoom. Next meeting will be our AGM and earlier than usual on Tuesday May 4th at 7pm.

The ANNUAL PARISH MEETING will precede this and start at 6.30pm also held via Zoom.

Your 10 Councillors are Clare Tyson (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Deb Laing-Trengove, Claire Gladstone, Peter Back, Kay Walters, Donna Lewis, Paul Bolland, Callum Entwistle and Ellie Holland.

The Parish meeting is separate from the Council meeting and is relatively informal. This is an opportunity to share your views to the Council on community issues.

Due to current restrictions meetings are held using Zoom, a remote meeting platform. The meeting and Public Session remain available. Check our website 'minutes page' for details of the Zoom link, code and password. Alternatively see the agenda on the notice board.

*A minutes silence was held as a mark of respect for the death of HRH Prince Philip.

Public Session: Mr Everitt joined us to express concerns over road safety at the junction to Moor View. We are trying to arrange a meeting with Devon County Council and will raise this issue along with price youngly stated concerns and another resident's concern received via email over safety concerns with the road/entrance area to Island Park.

Covid Volunteer Group: It was reported this will wind down as its need has gradually dissipated. The Mayor and Town Councillors would like to express thanks and appreciation for their support shown to our community.

Vandalism: over recent weeks the town has seen a spate of incidents ranging from arson to the graffiti attack. Thank you to the residents who volunteered to clean off graffiti. The police have been informed and gathered CCTV images and photographs. Any information however small please contact the police on 101 or Crime Stoppers 0800 555 111.

Hatherleigh Sportsfield Footpath: we were informed that the Sportsfield Committee and Football Club are working with Devon County Council to dedicate the route across the sportsfield as an officially registered public footpath from Longham Bridge to Passaford Lane.

Hatherleigh Market: is now back in full operation after easing of lockdown restrictions; the final 3 street names have been decided; a further meeting with developers to take place shortly; Town Council agreed to join the Market Association for support/advice.

Town Allotments: it was reported that the waiting list for an allotment at the Madewell site is growing. Investigations are now underway on how we can increase capacity for more town allotments.

Dog bin Littlewood Meadow: the broken dog bin on the path to the cricket club has been reported to the housing estate management company and is awaiting replacement.

Island Park Play Equipment: last month saw our annual inspection of play equipment by ROSPA. A number of maintenance issues were highlighted specifically the zip wire. Quotes from playground companies are being sought. Following a Routine Play Inspector Course we're pleased to say our street caretaker is now fully qualified.

Okehampton Train Services to Return:
Following the Government announcement of its investment to restore a regular train services at Okehampton Station, the Council have sent a letter of thanks to OkeRail for its

continued campaigning to make this happen.

Space is short here. A full account of meetings are available in the minutes on the Town Council website and notice board in Millennium Corner.

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Mini Meadows Challenge

Congratulations to everyone who has pledged a Mini Meadow patch, we can announce that our combined efforts as a community has dedicated around 21,000 m2 area for wildflowers. This is the equivalent to 5 football pitches in size.

We look forward to seeing photos of your colourful wildflower patches and remember to make a record of any exciting wildlife that visits your Mini Meadow http://www.dbrc.org.uk

Wildlife In Your Garden

There can be many advantages of having wildlife in your garden. One of the best creatures we can encourage to help gardeners keep slugs and snails at bay is the slow worm. They are commonly mistaken for snakes but in fact they are legless lizards. They are harmless and protected by British Law.

With an amazing escape mechanism they can free themselves from predators by shedding their tail, giving them time to wriggle away. These animals can live for up to 20 years and our local area is a rare stronghold for them. They have many predators and

suffer with loss of habitat. There is a number of things we can do to help them; allow a patch of grass to grow long for them to hide in or give them access to a compost heap, provide log piles for them to hide under or place a piece of wood or a strip of matting in a sunny corner that they can bask and hide under.

Other reptiles you might see in this area are grass snakes and common lizards.





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The nice weather and the easing of restrictions meant that the children have been able to resume football training and matches.

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It has been so good to continue with our Sunday Services, meeting together in love, praise and fellowship, so very special and uplifting for each and every one of us. A short A.P.C.M. was held following our Morning Service on the 18th of April and thanks were expressed to all who have supported the Church either financially or physically during this past very difficult year. We look forward with hope for better times ahead when we can start planning for coffee mornings, Flower Festivals and Fetes once again, and a huge party for all residents to meet together and enjoy.

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Sunday 9th May. Morning Prayer 11.00 a.m.

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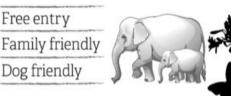
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