

Parish Pump

APRIL 2024

OYEZ! OYEZ!
500TH ISSUE!



Great Job Boys!!!



Fred (10) and Ben (9) set a fantastic example by choosing to spend a day of their weekend picking up litter. As you can see they did a marvellous job! **Fred** says "to remind everyone to love where they live, look after the environment, and if you see litter...**PICK IT UP!**"



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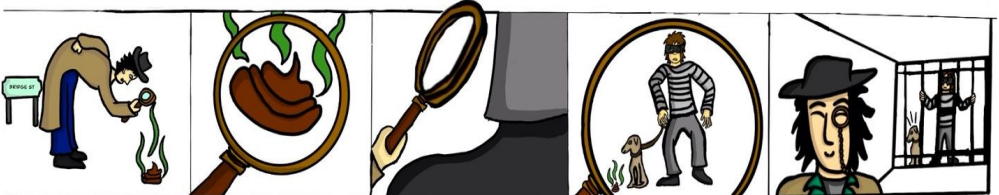
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Hello Everyone,

Welcome to our 500th Issue!

Please admire our Front cover, designed and produced by Harry aged 10, we can definitely see a resemblance to our Town Crier Ros and Junior Town Crier Harry. We were so thrilled with his design we have asked him to do next months too. Harry has also designed a topical comic strip (see page 2 to start the adventures of Detective Buddle), we look forward to having this as a regular feature each month. For more about Harry please see page 15.

Our 4 middle pages this month is from the first ever issue of the Parish Pump...then known as the 'Hatherleigh Parochial Magazine' in 1979 was, we think done by Rev. Norman Hilyer, and was also the founder of the History Society in 1981. The earlier magazines from the late 1800s were produced by the Vicars and was then just a church newsletter.

Please note the deadline will remain the same every month. It will always be on the 15th of the month, therefore avoids people missing the deadline.

Have a look on page 7 'for what's on in April'. If you would like your event here do send me an email or send us a message via our Facebook page.

Please read a message from our Advertising Officer on **page 9**.

Donna Lewis
Editor

Find Wally???



Can you find Wally in this months pump

Last month he was on pg 19

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Deadline for April Pump

Monday 15th April 2024

Please email all contributions to newhatherleighpump@gmail.com
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Parish Church Services

Sunday 7th April The first Sunday after Easter

9.30am	Family Service	Leigh Winsbury	Exbourne
9.30am	All Age Worship	Michael Winter	Meeth
9.30am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Tania Haycock	Northlew
11.00am	Holy Communion	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh

Sunday 14th April The second Sunday after Easter

9.30am	Morning Prayer	Michael Winter	Jacobstowe
9.30am	Holy Communion	Leigh Winsbury	Northlew
11.00am	Morning Service	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Sue Gibson	Meeth

Sunday 21st April The third Sunday after Easter

9.30am	Morning Prayer	Julian Sergeant	Northlew
9.30am	Morning Praise	Gwyn Thatcher	Meeth
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Leigh Winsbury	Exbourne
11.00am	Family Service	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh
7.00pm	Prayer and Praise	Donald and Sarah Miles	Hatherleigh

Wednesday 24th April

7.00pm	Celtic Evening Prayer	Leigh Winsbury	Jacobstowe
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Sunday 28th April The fourth Sunday after Easter

9.30am	Holy Communion by Extension	Michael Winter	Jacobstowe
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Derek and Elvira Chivers	Northlew
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Olive Winter	Exbourne
11.00am	Morning Service	Lay Team	Hatherleigh
11.00am	Holy Communion by Extension	Michael Winter	Meeth
6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh

Well hello April,

That came fast, hot on the heels of the earliest Easter I can remember. So here we are on the far side of all the Easter activity and celebrations; I do hope you managed to join in somewhere?

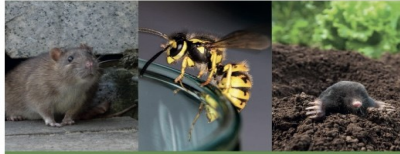


And what a celebration! Remembering what Jesus went through to set us free from sin, guilt and shame; buying us back from death with his own life, to give us back an eternity of peace and joy with him and proving it by rising from the dead!

Throughout the weeks of Lent, my churches have been journeying with the Israelite nation as they made their way through the wilderness after the miraculous escape from slavery in Egypt. (If you need reminding how this story goes take a look at the cartoon version 'Prince of Egypt'). We've been looking at the parallels between their journey and ours as we make our way through life. Here's the main thing; the big miracle has already happened; just as the Israelites escaped Egypt through the opening of the Red Sea, so we escape our doom through the opening of Jesus' arms on a cross. But that's just the beginning. The slaves had to learn what it meant to be a free people, able to rule their own land well and fruitfully, faithfully representing their good God to the nations around. Taking the slaves out of Egypt doesn't immediately take the Egypt out of the slaves, and they had to learn many lessons along the way. We have access to all the good things God has for us, but have we realised it? Do we live like it?

Learning how to live as a free, redeemed human in the good of God's love is what the journey of discipleship is all about. Only when we get a hold of this great adventure are we able to show others what God is like, and what a joy it is to be His.

With my love and blessings, Leigh.



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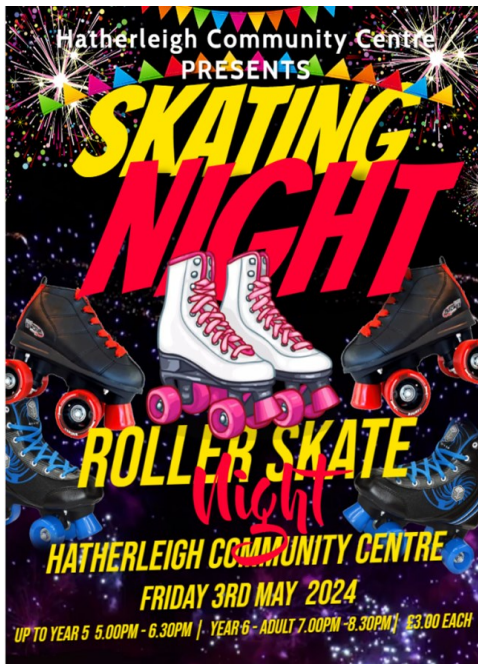
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What's On in Hatherleigh April 2024!

- 6th April 1.00pm** - Fundraiser Table Tennis - Hatherleigh Community Centre
- 13th April 7.30pm** - IBIZA NIGHT - Hatherleigh Community Centre
- 14th April 2.30pm** - Hummingbirds & Cream Tea - Hatherleigh Community Centre
- 15th April 7.30pm** - Hatherleigh Silver Band AGM - Bandroom
- 18th April 6.30pm** - Stand Sure Children's Choir - Hatherleigh Community Centre
- 18th April 8.00pm** - Stand Sure Adults Choir - Hatherleigh Community Centre
- 19th April 3.00pm** - Food Bank begins - Deacons House
- 19th April 6.00pm** - Easter Experience night - Hatherleigh Community Centre
- 21st April 11.00am** - Stand Sure Orchestra - Hatherleigh Community Centre
- 27th April 2-4.00pm** - Repair Café Hatherleigh Community Centre

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Hatherleigh Lower Moor Pond

Thank you to the numerous volunteers who turned out on a very wet March day to help with the Lower Moor pond work party. The pond now looks quite different. With willow and alder cut back from the edges to allow more sunlight across the water, it will improve the health of the pond and thus help the wildlife thrive, especially amphibians and invertebrates.



By clearing the scrub entirely from one side of the pond a flight path across the water has been created for feeding swallows and bats.



Regular visitors to the pond may have noticed the sad absence of the breeding moorhens last year. It is hoped that a new pair may find their way to the pond, but in the mean time, we ask that dog owners keep their dogs out of the pond. Hatherleigh Lower Moor is a VERY popular dog walking area, with many dogs visiting this pond over the course of the day, everyday!

Did you know?



Disturbance to a pond by a dog churns up the bottom sediment, making the water murky and the wildlife value of the pond declines.



Dogs jumping into the pond will disturb the nesting birds.



And worryingly, recent studies have shown that tick and flea treatment used on dogs are in fact polluting our watercourses, not just for a few days after treatment but for the entire life of the medicated treatment (up to 3 months). These insecticides cause devastating effects on our water invertebrates. Without these water invertebrates our ecosystems fail to support life.

Hatherleigh Moor Management Committee

Hatherleigh *Fundraiser* Table Tennis

@ Hatherleigh Community Centre

Saturday 6th April 1pm to 4pm

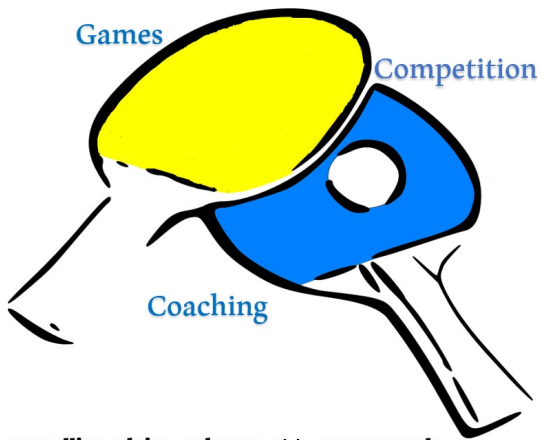
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A vibrant poster for 'IBIZA NIGHT' at Hatherleigh Community Centre. The central figure is a metallic, disco-ball-like robot character wearing headphones and pointing upwards with its right hand. The background is a dark, colorful scene with light beams and a crowd. Text on the poster includes: 'HATHERLEIGH COMMUNITY CENTRE PRESENTS', 'IBIZA NIGHT', 'PLAYING THE TUNES YOU LOVE! Turntable Dj Mixes', '13th APRIL 2024', 'DOORS OPEN 7.30pm', 'TOGETHER FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY!', 'DJ GINGA NINJA'S WHEELS OF STEEL & DJ STORM', and 'BAR - COCKTAILS - SHOTS'. A glowing green circle with '£10' inside is positioned near the robot's hand.

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A Message from our Advertising Officer!



The Pump is now printed into 1400 copies each month and distributed in Hatherleigh and some surrounding villages. It may surprise you, it certainly did me since taking over responsibility for the Pump advertising at the beginning of the year, that **each** copy of the Pump costs slightly under 50p to produce and print. These are our only costs, everyone involved in the Pump are volunteers. We are all aware of the economic environment over recent years that has led to pressures on all our finances, both personal and business budgets have been stretched to put it lightly. We are blessed at the Pump to have a loyal readership as well as a core of loyal advertisers. In hard times businesses have to watch their finances as we do our own and often any advertising budget can be the first to be cut. This is also true regarding the greatly appreciated donations that have been made. At the Pump it has always been the case that wherever possible advertising and features concerning our community groups, events and happenings have been published free of charge. We are all fortunate to live in communities where there is much going on, it's partly why we love where we live. In our balancing act, it is worth me explaining that our Pump magazine is made up of A4 sheets of paper, laid flat on the longest side and folded in half vertically. This creates the A5 size of the Pump we receive, each sheet folded creating 4 pages in our Pump. There are occasions where incorporating a free community Ad means that , a quarter or half page free Ad actually then leaves three and a half empty pages without income for (multiplied by our 1400 issues).

To enable us to produce the Pump the revenue has always come from advertising costs paid by our advertisers and the relatively small number of donations we have received. In some past years where there has been a surplus the Pump has even made donations to local worthy groups. This has meant that there is no financial cushion in the Pump finances. We have been actively trying to contact former and potential new advertisers to enable the future of the printed Pump to continue and we will continue to do so. We would encourage our readers to mention when using the services of one of our advertisers that you have seen their advertisement in the Pump then that would help them understand that there is a value to them from it.

Perhaps some may say '**why continue printing the Pump ?**' I believe that there is still some need for this to continue, not everyone uses the internet and social media ! I believe that there is still some need for this to continue, not everyone uses the internet and social media! There are still many people in our communities who avidly read the Pump each month as it's delivered and keep it to hand as a reference point for events and to search for products & services. We all hope that the Pump will continue for many hundreds of issues more, the balancing act will no doubt continue.

To all our loyal readers and advertisers a big Thank You for making it all possible.

Kevin Watts [Donation can be made to Hatherleigh Parish Pump 53-50-28 215061]



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- be nice, say hello, share the space
- follow local signs and keep to marked paths unless wider access is available

Protect the environment

- take your litter home - leave no trace of your visit
- do not light fires and only have BBQs where signs say you can
- always keep dogs under control and in sight
- dog poo - bag it and bin it - any public waste bin will do
- care for nature - do not cause damage or disturbance

Enjoy the outdoors

- check your route and local conditions
- plan your adventure - know what to expect and what you can do
- enjoy your visit, have fun, make a memory



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Church Shop/Charity Corner continues...

upstairs at the Salar Gallery with items to be sold for Hatherleigh Church, Hatherleigh Primary School, Farms for City Children and Farm Community Network including paintings, prints, china, books, movie cabinet, ornaments..

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Harry (aged 10), agreed to design our 500th cover, I think everyone will agree that he did a superb job. We were so pleased that we have asked him to do next months too, along with his new regular comic strip. Harry has also written and illustrated a book, which is now available to buy on Amazon!

Harry has struggled with reading and writing due to his dyslexia but has an incredible imagination for stories and a love for art. He aspires to be a young ambassador for dyslexia and to encourage others to recognise their strengths, not just their challenges.

Harry has produced this book in a dyslexia-friendly format using large, sans serif font and increased spacing between lines.



Do support Harry and buy his book on Amazon.

Hatherleigh

★ CARNIVAL · Est 1903 ★

We would like to thank everyone who came to support us at our AGM, it was a very successful meeting.

We are looking for our Carnival Queen and/or King for this year, applicants have to be 12 before or on Carnival day and live in Hatherleigh or adjoining parishes. Please contact Donna on info.hatherleighcarnival@gmail.com or **Cindy on 07756997392**. Closing date Tuesday 23rd April at Midday. As some of you may know, our **Colour Run** is back again this year by popular demand on Saturday 8th June. We are currently looking for sponsors for colour stations, colour extinguishers and many more things. Please contact Donna on hatherleighcolourrun2020@gmail.com. Keep an eye out on Facebook and around town for posters and more information.



Hatherleigh Community Primary School

As I write there are only two weeks to go before the end of the Spring term and beginning of the Easter holiday, the school is a sea of red today as children and staff are dressed in everything red for Red nose day.

It has been a very busy and productive second Spring half term with many events taking place in school. A highlight of the term has been the Spring concert which saw over fifty children play, dance and sing, including a first with Y3 playing steel drums. It was a lovely evening with a packed audience of parents/carers, family and friends in the Community centre; everyone was so impressed with the talent and skill of the children. School trips to happen before the end of term will include a visit to Rosemoor for Y1 & Y2 and Exeter museum and cathedral for Y5.



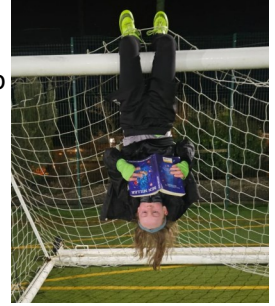
Devon County Cricket visited a couple of weeks ago and all children enjoyed a very active Cricket day including a whole school assembly and workshops for all classes.

Our Wildlife champions have been very busy surveying a water course on Hatherleigh Moor and participating in talks and workshops including a beaver talk from the Devon Wildlife Trust where they learnt about the benefits of reintroducing beavers to the Devon countryside and a talk from the Community Education Officer for South West Water on the water cycle.



Class assemblies have taken place where parents and carers are invited into school for the children to share with them the work they have been doing during the term.

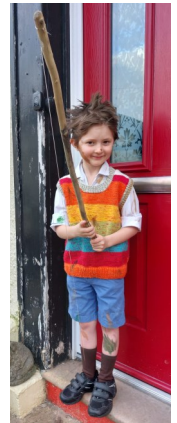
The ever popular World book day took place at the beginning of March with many children and staff coming to school dressed as their favourite book characters or on a book theme including one member of staff who dressed as an entire bookcase. Events included staff reading their favourite books to the children; a photo competition of unusual places to read a book and a competition where children designed and made a scene or character from their favourite book on a paper plate.



The PTFA continues to work very hard for the school organising fundraising events which will include an end of term Bingo night and Cake sale. Currently they are working with the school to fund a long term development of our outdoor provision. The school year is flying and I can't quite believe the Summer term is just around the corner; we are already looking forward to further trips, sports days, playtime on the school field and everything the Summer term brings.

As always, I would like to take 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.

Alan Monger





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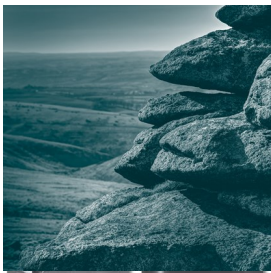
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Stand Sure Orchestra & Choirs (SSOCs), the

contemporary community music ensembles, are thrilled to announce their upcoming term focussing on the iconic sounds of The Beatles, with a concert taking place on July 20th. With a commitment to inclusivity and a friendly atmosphere, they welcome all musicians and singers, regardless of experience level (though the ability to read music for the orchestra is a must), to join this exciting musical journey. Unlike many orchestras and choirs, Stand Sure embraces the philosophy that music is for everyone. There are no auditions required to join. Whether you're a seasoned instrumentalist, a shower singer, or someone who's wanted to try their hand at making music, SSOCs warmly invite you to be a part of their vibrant community. This term they will be embarking on an unforgettable musical exploration of The Beatles In Concert. From the timeless melodies of "Hey Jude" to the beauty of "Here Comes The Sun", participants will come together to recreate the magic of The Beatles. "This term promises to be a celebration of camaraderie, creativity, and the enduring legacy of one of the greatest bands in history." Those that want to join the choir, but are hesitant because they think they'll have to learn lots of harmonies...panic not! The harmonies are optional! Any young people thinking it's too serious...fear not - it's great fun! In fact, no matter what your age, you'll be joining a group of music enthusiasts who just want to make music with other people. All musicians are welcome to join as well and SSOCs would especially like to hear from brass players, guitarists, keyboard players, drummers, bassists, and strings players. If you're a musician who can't commit to the regular rehearsals but would like to participate in the concert as a guest musician please do get in touch. The choirs will start on Thursday 18th April, 5 - 6pm for primary school ages, 6:30 - 8pm for secondary school ages, and 8 - 10pm for anyone over the age of 16 (with no upper age limit). The orchestra will start on Sunday 21st April, 11am - 1pm. All meetings take place at the Hatherleigh Community Centre. A termly fee is payable (to cover venue hire, music costs etc). More information can be found at www.standsureorchestra.co.uk or by emailing info@standsureorchestra.co.uk Don't miss this opportunity to be a part of something special. They can't wait to make music with you!





Hatherleigh Repair Café

Saturday 27th April

2 - 4.30pm

Hatherleigh Community Centre

Volunteers will be offering help with:

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Friday 19th April Peter Rabbit Experience Evening 6 pm

Up-Coming Events

Friday 3rd May Roller Disco 6pm (see poster for more details)

Saturday 11th May The Darkside of Pink Floyd (Pink Floyd Tribute Band) 7pm

Friday 21st June Roller Disco 6pm (see poster for more details)

Mondays

Adult Dance Fit 5.30 pm – 6.15 pm
Contact Jess Bailey 07746 892660

Badminton Club 7 pm – 10 pm. Drop in at any time throughout the time. Hall is also available to hire for individual badminton games. Contact Ruth Penberthy 01837 810967

Tuesdays

Hatherleigh Community Market
9 am – 1 pm Contact Debbie Kimber on 07538 547865

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Yoga 5.30 – 7 pm Contact Paul Beard 01409 231304

Wednesdays

Brownies 5-7pm Contact Alison Woodhams 01837 810108

Thursdays

Pilates 10 – 11.am Please contact Shirley Edwards on 01837 659990 to book a place. Please do not just turn up as numbers are limited

Thursday Club 2-4pm For older residents. Tea & Coffee, activities, Games, sing alongs, quizzes and more. £2.00 each

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St. John the Baptist Flower Rota - April 2024



Saturday	30 March	Set up for Easter
Sunday	31 March	Easter Flowers
Sunday	07 April	Easter Flowers
Sunday	14 April	Ms. Croom
Sunday	21 April	Ms. Croom
Sunday	28 April	Ms. Ford
Sunday	05 May	Ms. Ford



Claire Brussel Tel: 810319

The Night Sky April 2024

Clocks have now changed and nights are getting shorter. April is the month of the Lyrid meteor shower. This shower takes place on the night of the 22nd going into the morning of the 23rd. The best time to observe the shooting stars are between 11pm and 4am. This is because the Earth's night side will turn into the incoming meteor stream. Around 15-20 meteors per hour will be visible. The light of a full moon will mean that only the brighter fireballs and meteors will be visible.

April 8th is New Moon. This is a good time to see deep sky objects like galaxies and nebulae as the moon's light won't wash them out.

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Hatherleigh Science Week!

What a fantastic first Hatherleigh Science Week! All the talks were fully booked, and the "Market of Everyday Science" was both educational and fun for adults and children. A big thank you to all the people who put in their time and expertise to make it such a success, and watch this space for further Hatherleigh Science Group Events.....we have plans!



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The magical few hours of music and poetry took place in a packed church, uniquely lit for the occasion. Led by Sir Michael Morpurgo, the programme explored a wide range of thoughts, ideas and emotions, from joyous Vivaldi to the deeply moving reflections of Michael Morpurgo's poem 'Yew and Me' which he read over the quartet's performance of Max Richter's 'On the Nature of Daylight.' This was both hopeful and heartbreaking and you could have heard a pin drop when it finished. A riotous encore of 'All Around My Hat' was the rousing finale to the programme, played and sung by the quartet. Master of Ceremonies Mark Reddaway, our ringing Mayor, welcomed an audience that had flocked in from Devon, Cornwall and further afield and included the Mayors of Torrington, Okehampton and West Devon. The evening concert was attended by Charles Courtenay, Earl of Devon.

Our grateful thanks go to Carol Hughes, Clare and Michael Morpurgo and the Iddesleigh String Quartet (Kerenza Peacock, Steve Doman, Josh Michaels and Joe Roberts) who gave their time and exceptional talents for free. None of it could have happened without the many people who supported us with catering and serving food, lent us lights or equipment, designed posters and programmes, sold tickets, or donated and arranged flower displays. We also thank churchwardens and PCC for their assistance and Reverend Leigh for his support.

Last but not least, we offer thanks to our 400-strong audience for attending the concerts and leaving such generous donations in our collection buckets. We have been able to add around £6,000 to our fundraising, bringing the current total within striking distance of our goal.

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Wednesday Oct 10th

7.00 pm Evensong
7.45 pm Harvest Supper*

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OTHER SUNDAY SERVICES

Oct 14th 11.00 am Holy Communion
6.00 pm Evensong
21st 11.00am Family Service
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Nov 4th 11.00 am Morning Prayer
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SILLY SHEEP

The other Sunday a dozen sheep tried to gate-crash Evensong. But their stealthy approach among the gravestones was spotted. One church warden chased them back through a gap in the hedge. The other looked on admiringly at his colleague's skill.

It raised a smile or two in the telling afterwards. Not for the first time sheep have figured in someone's sense of humour. No doubt it was a solemn occasion when Jesus spoke of himself as the Good Shepherd. Then he turned to his disciples. Was there a twinkle in his eye? 'And you, my friends, are my sheep'.

Did they shuffle a bit, and glance a little self-consciously at one another? There they were, bronzed, experienced - sheep! Not too complimentary.

Sheep on occasions are stupid animals, apt to wander away and get lost. Sometimes they may be painfully clawed by brambles as they muzzle for pasture. They may even find themselves literally in a hole. A big ram in one farmer's flock found a gap in the hedge. The animal jumped through without looking where he was going - and down he tumbled to the bottom of a dry old well where the farmer used to throw his rubbish. The next sheep jumped right after him. And the next. And the next, until the well was full. The farmer had to drag them out as best he could and the ones at the bottom were almost smothered to death.

The same farmer's young nephew visited him later in the year. Frost covered the local pond. The boy went skating - and came home with his clothes wringing wet. 'Trouble was, the ice wasn't thick enough,' he grumbled. 'Then why did you slide?' 'Because the other boys did'.

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SILLY SHEEP (contd)

The lad was given a rub down, dry clothes, and a seat by the blazing fire in the kitchen. Then he heard the story of the farmer's sheep tumbling down the hole, one after the other. 'What silly creatures!' he exclaimed. Then his eye fell on his sodden clothes in a pile on the floor. He looked up at his uncle and laughed.

When Jesus likened his followers to sheep, he was thinking of course of shepherding in Palestine. Here in England the shepherd drives his sheep. Out in the Holy Land the shepherd is in front of the travelling flock and the sheep follow him. That is significant.

Most animals have some more or less efficient means of protection. The legs of an ostrich have a wicked kick and a stride that goes for speed. Other animals have tusks, fangs, bad odours, and so on. But a sheep has nothing. Even an old ram with its horns cannot put up a fair fight against a ravaging dog.

There is one thing, however, that a sheep can do to perfection - follow the shepherd. And that ability is its protection and safety, far superior to tusks, speed, teeth and the rest. Sheep following their shepherd go after one who meets coming events first.

Over in America they sometimes move house - quite literally, walls, roof and all. An elderly grandmother watching this operation for the first time was worried that the house would be shaken to pieces. But then she noticed a man who went in advance with a spirit level to see that the track for the rollers was true. She thought 'I shall never have another care about my way through this world. He knoweth the way that I take, and God is much more skilled than these house-movers.'

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In Switzerland a traveller asked a lad he met where Kandersteg was. The boy replied, 'I don't know - but that is the road to it.'

That is wisdom. In the end nothing matters but to keep on the Lord's road. It is only the silly sheep who think they know better.

PARISH PUMP is published on the last Sunday in the month.

There is no charge. But we shall be grateful for contributions towards the cost from those who appreciate reading it. Distributors will be happy to accept gifts for this purpose. There is also a box by the wardens' pew just inside the church. (This box is cleared daily).

Copy for the next issue should be in the hands of the Vicar by the tenth of the month before.

Why not post PARISH PUMP to old members of Hatherleigh Parish Church? And we in turn should like news of them. That, I believe, is what Parish Pumps are for!

N.H.

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21	Mrs S. Weardon
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11	Mrs Hedden

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BRICKS AND MORTAR

Or the equivalent...

the NEW VICARAGE is on its way up. This time next year it should be well and truly occupied and the garden taking shape. We are delighted that the Hatherleigh firm of BRYANT & CHANDLER won the contract.

Not such good news from the CHURCH TOWER. A damaged down-pipe had to be replaced recently at a cost of £200 excluding 19% VAT. At that height the work demanded steeplejacks in a cradle. And at that height an alarming discovery was made. Three cornerstones were fractured, and other stone was crumbling. None of this could be seen from the ground. Fortunately we now have an architect on the PCC, Mr. Robert Harris. On his advice, an emergency meeting of vicar and wardens decided to authorise the steeplejacks to use their cradle to deal with the stonework threatening to crown unsuspecting passers-by. The cost has not been cheap - we are faced with a bill for £450 + VAT. But we have the satisfaction of knowing that the future has been saved a far heavier expense, probably running into some thousands.

But all is not yet well. A proper survey of the rest of the tower is imperative and the diocesan surveyor is being asked to attend to this as a matter of urgency.

This lovely old church is our heritage - and our responsibility. Please make the need for financing these repairs known... horizontally and vertically. The claiming of Philipians 4:19 now will ensure Psalm 122:1 in the future.

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from the Church Registers

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1978	23 July	Nicola Jayne Bater
	17 Sept	Robert Alan Paxton
	19 Nov	Tanya Louise Parsons
		Mark Anthony Hunt
1979	18 Mar	Jesse Michael Richards
	29 Apr	Hayley Marie Spears

WEDDINGS

1978	29 July	Anthony William Drew and Susan Lillian Hooper
	19 Aug	Richard James Daw and Audrey Violet Simmons
	21 Oct	Derek Graham Bryant and Gillian Hough
1979	10 Feb	Paul David Bernasconi and Stephanie Anne Claydon
	15 Sept	Barry Francis Richards and Angela Lesley Lancaster

FUNERALS

1978	31 May	Jill Elizabeth Christian (50)
	2 June	Lily Mary Drew (63)
	21 June	John Heard (75)
	22 June	Dorothy Catherine Sanders (86)
	27 July	Janet Margaret Lawrence (52)
	30 Aug	William Henry Phillpotts (68)
	1 Sept	Lilian Oke (78)
	16 Oct	Paul Miller (28)
	20 Oct	Adola Kathleen Abell (81)
	25 Oct	Percy George Avery Pethrick (92)
	1 Dec	Suzanne Maud Roberts (84)
	13 Dec	Emily Kate Friend Warren (79)
	23 Dec	Percival George Weekes (81)
1979	23 Jan	Mildred Louise Gloyn (79)
	9 Feb	Edith Ethel Galley (84)
	23 Feb	Albert Thomas Friend Crocker (84)
	27 Feb	Beatrice Kate Pethrick (95)
	17 Mar	Thomas Orchard (59)
	20 Mar	Florence Emily Cockwill (77)
	10 Apr	Thomas James Hill (68)
	18 Apr	Sophie Orchard (58)
	20 Apr	Edwin Laurence Saunders (67)
	27 Apr	Roy Folland (50)
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We were pleased to be part of `Hatherleigh Science Week` in March and our choice of speaker for the evening certainly worked out well. Our speaker Dr Janet Few in her role as Mistress Agnes talking about her 17th Century herbal garden and remedies, had us all looking at the many plants we take for granted and that have been around for centuries, in a totally different way. Whether it was the descriptions of how poultices were made and applied or tonics for hair growth or the `maybe it will work-or maybe it won't` tinctures that Mistress Agnes told us about, we found ourselves having such a laugh that we came out of the meeting feeling good! Definitely great medicine.

Our next meeting is on Monday 8th April in Old Schools at 7.30pm and the speaker will be Tracey Norman talking about `Devon`s Forgotten Witches`. Visitors and Guests welcome £3.

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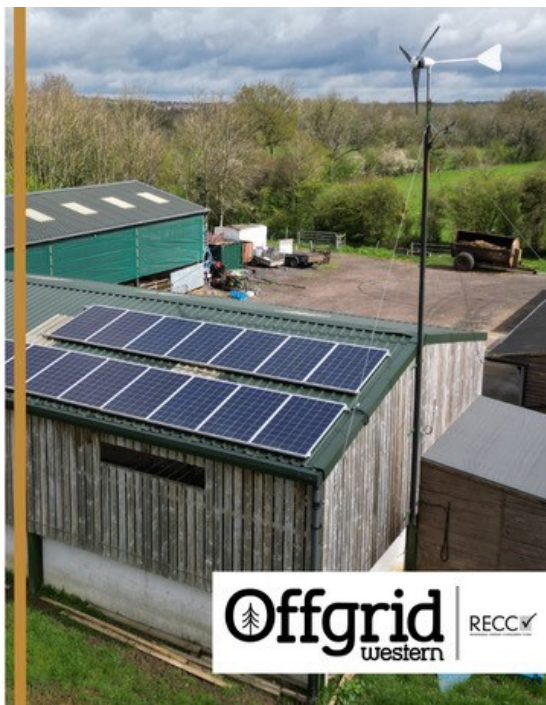
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The next meeting of the club is on Wednesday, April 17th at 7.30pm in Old Schools when we welcome back Alan French. This time, Alan will be demonstrating 'Success with Hanging Baskets', covering choice of container, liners and compost/feed/watering. He will also introduce a wide range of plants for more permanent container displays - not just any old petunia! As always, Alan will bring with him a good selection of plants

Looking further ahead, the club is hoping to put on an outing to Forde Abbey on Friday, May 3rd. The group price for this is £13 for the house and garden, with a minimum requirement of ten people. We will either drive ourselves on a car share basis (if we have enough volunteer drivers) or may organise a mini bus, depending on numbers. If anyone is interested, please let me know as soon as possible.

And also, **THE PLANT SALE** is on **Saturday, May 25th**, lots of lovely plants at VERY reasonable prices - let's hope the weather plays its part as it did last year, it does make all the difference.

Looking forward to seeing you at any of these events

Susan Gill



We had a very special time at the Riviera Centre in Torquay where we competed against 18 other bands in the First section ...only one down from the Championships! We were very well rehearsed and put on a memorable performance. A big thank you to Matt Green for his energy and efforts in directing us.

We are now looking forward to practising some new material ready for the season ahead. We have booked the Community Centre in Hatherleigh for our Spring Concert on Saturday 18th May, so please put the date in your diaries. We love to perform in unusual places and are

planning a further date on a Dartmoor Tor on 30th June. Another date for your diaries is the weekend of 26th/27th July when we are hosting another weekend of Bandamonium. Potentially there could be 12 different brass bands touring the area and each one playing at different venues.

If you have an event where you would like to have a band play, we would be more than happy to discuss arrangements, we have played at weddings and funerals and everything in between.

As always, our training band on a Monday evening runs from 6-7. Players of all abilities and ages are welcome to join us. Please do get in touch if you have any queries.

We have won a place to play in a concert in Reading on 28th September. There is an opportunity to listen to the Championship band – Flowers who will be playing on the same day. We are looking to hire a coach and take some supporters with us. If you are interested, please do get in touch.

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We'd like to invite you to another soup and sweet lunch on Tuesday 16th April starting at 12.00 midday so do please join us for that!



MAY DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - The Tamar Valley Male Voice Choir are holding a concert on Sunday 19th May at 6.30 pm. Do look out for the posters for more details!

April Dates for Your Diary:

Sunday 7th at 11.00 a.m. with Rev Dale Sutcliffe (from Mount Kelly college)
Sunday 14th at 11.00 am. Come and join in the singing with Rev. Chris Jackson.
Tuesday 16th – SOUP AND SWEET LUNCH 12.00 – 1.00 PM.
Sunday 21st at 11.00 a.m. with our very own, Professor Mike Winter
Sunday 28th at 4.00 p.m. All age, worship, and fun with the Sunday Club!

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A big thank you to the people who turned up on March 5th to make a start on tidying up the churchyard. We managed to do a fair few jobs and make plans for others....there is always more to do! Look out for our next working party day. We are hoping to create a composting system using wooden pallets. If anyone is looking to get rid of (or donate!) some, we would very much like to hear from you. 10 should do it so that we can build 3 sections and fill them on a rotational pattern. We keep some grass areas mown throughout the year and other areas are left to allow wild flowers and insects to thrive, this is part of the nationwide 'Living Churchyard' scheme. I will be trying to get to the churchyard more regularly on a Tuesday morning around 10am, this will begin after the Easter holidays. If you are able to help in any way to keep the churchyard looking its best, please let me know.

Jane Fawcett 07794793003

Hatherleigh Art Group

We meet on Wednesdays at 10.30am usually at 51 Market Street:

April meetings: 3rd. AGM & plan future programme, 10th. Topical subject, 17th.

Meeting to be confirmed, 24th. Life model - venue to be confirmed.

Please contact **Sally (01837 810377/940)** or **Alan (01837 810024)** for further information and confirmation of the meetings nearer the time.

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HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from the Council Meeting held on 12th March 2024. The next Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th April 2024 at 7pm in the Community Centre.

For more information see our website www.hatherleightcouncil.org/

Your 9 Councillors

Mark Reddaway (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Deb Laing-Trengove, Kay Walters, Donna Lewis, Richard Burrow, Sadie Harrison, Angela Capon, Clare Kemp

- There is 1 vacancy, if you are interested in becoming a Councillor please contact the HTC Clerk.
- Unfortunately the Medical Practice staff were unable to attend this meeting due to a personal matter so will be invited again to attend the next meeting to outline their plans for Hatherleigh.
- The School Head Mr Monger and Chair of Governors Mr Hill attended the meeting to outline their problems surrounding the School Entrance at drop off and collection times. After a discussion, it was decided for us to review the 2nd school entrance so that it could be used in the future and to explore a bus stop area on the school side for the school bus to drop off and collect pupils.
- It was decided to adopt the BT phone box near school. This could be used for visitor information, art work, History Society pictures or many other uses. All suggestions welcome.
- The Moorview BT phone box will be adopted and utilised to hold the Defibrillator from Map Marketing site. A huge thank you to Gavin Brooks for offering to facilitate this.
- Hatherleigh Market: The process to buy the Market for Hatherleigh continues at a pace. Kingswood homes have given an updated completion date of the end of May.
- The application to the Community Ownership Fund to enable the purchase is in progress and will be submitted by the end of April. We need match funding of £100,000 to access this grant.
- The amount of pledges have reached £66,200 please consider a pledge if you haven't already done so.
- A further public meeting was held on 9th March at the Community Centre which was very well supported.
- The Market is so important to the Town please support this initiative if you value keeping our Market. Space is short here so please go to the Friends of Hatherleigh Market website for up to date information www.fohm-cbs.org
- Millennium Corner: We wrote to DCC as owners to ask them to effect the repairs needed to make the area safe. We await their response.
- 20 is Plenty Campaign: The '20 is Plenty' competition received lots of wonderful entries. What talented children we have in Hatherleigh. The winning entry was sent in by Harry Winearls. Well done Harry. This will be made into posters to put up around town.
- There are still complaints of dog fouling. PLEASE can all dog owners be responsible and pick up after their animals and place it in the bins provided.
- There are still reports of blocked drains around town. Please report on the Devon County Council website.
- There are reports of blocked pavements around town by parking and planters. PAVEMENTS ARE FOR PEOPLE. Please don't block them. These have been reported to Highways Department.

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

Correspondence to the Council should be addressed to the Clerk and for inclusion at a meeting be received 4 days prior to the meeting date. Correspondence received after that date will be considered at the following meeting.

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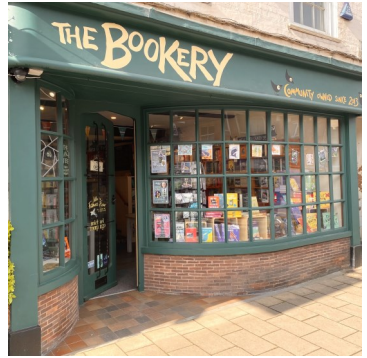






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grate a very large onion and add

add as much garlic as you like

a big glug of malt vinegar

a bigger glug of olive oil

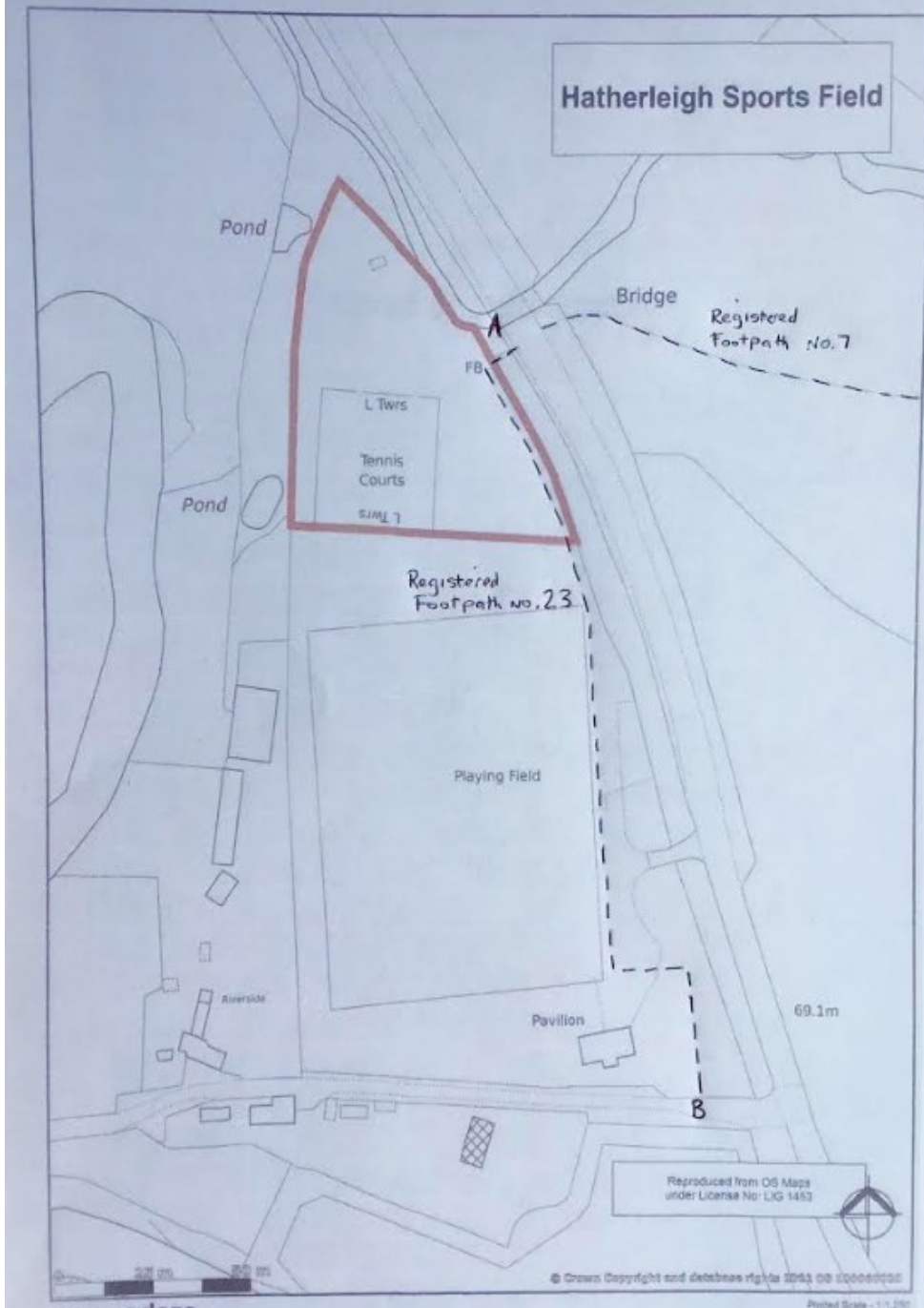
a heap teaspoon of sugar

lots of crushed black pepper and salt to taste

lots of fresh or dried oregano

Bring to the boil and simmer for 40 - 60 mins, stirring occasionally.





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Our intentions are to sell the land to Hatherleigh Football Club who have expressed an interest to purchase and then transfer all remaining funds held by Hatherleigh Sportsfield Committee to a charity with the same or similar purposes. The public have 4 weeks from this notice date to submit their comments in writing.

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The meeting held on Tuesday March 12 was the AGM and began with a talk by Rachel Stevens of Curworthy Cheese. She demonstrated how the cheese was made and put into the different types. She was thanked by Margaret Cleveland. Next the reports by the president, secretary and treasurer were adopted. Margaret Cleveland (president), Anne Leaman (secretary) and Sally Kenealy (treasurer) all retired. Presentations were made to them. The new president is Cherry Chidwick, secretary Liz Moir and treasurer is Hilary Winter and the new committee was introduced. Next a minutes silence was held for Kath Neno, who had recently died at the age of 101 and had been a member most of her life. Then followed tea and cakes to celebrate the 90th birthday of Exbourne WI. It was suggested that a meal out be had to celebrate the event some more. The ordinary meeting followed with a lot of flyers with forthcoming events discussed. The next Walking Group outing is to be on Thursday March 28 to Winkleigh Woods. The Spring Coffee Morning is to be held in Exbourne village hall on Saturday April 13 at 10am. It was hoped that this would be a success to raise much needed funds. The winner of the competition for something cooked with cheese was Karen Hunter and Flower of the Month winner was Anne Leaman. The next meeting is on Tuesday April 9 at 2.30pm in Sampford Courtenay Village hall. The speaker will be Janet Downer talking about 'Dark Deeds of Devon'.

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Exbourne Neighbourhood Plan Update

Whilst it may seem that all has gone quiet on the Neighbourhood Plan front there has in fact been a lot of research taking place over the course of the last year or so. This resulted in the Neighbourhood Plan Group (NPG) presenting a DRAFT Neighbourhood Plan to the Parish Council in October 2023.

The Parish Council is currently reviewing the draft document and hopefully it will make its views known to the NPG in the very near future. The NPG will then consider its views. Further discussions and amendments may be necessary.

The Parish Council delegated the responsibility of creating a Neighbourhood Plan to members of the community, the Exbourne Neighbourhood Plan Group, however the Parish Council is known formally as the 'Qualifying Body, which means that, before the draft plan can go out to the community for consultation, the Parish Council must approve the plan. In the meantime I thought it might be helpful if I reminded the residents of Exbourne what an NP is and what it has to contain.

Many of you will recall that WDBC, following on from Government requirements, indicated that Exbourne should have 30 houses during the plan period of 2014 – 2034. WDBC agreed to count the 9 houses at Cliston View (formerly Woodclose) thus leaving 21 dwellings to be allocated. In preparing the draft plan the NPG has drawn on the responses from our various consultations, including the Community Consultation Day 2017 and the Site Allocation Consultation of 2021, and therefore the draft plan has taken into account the community's preferences and views as far as is possible.

The draft plan is required by law to contain certain information; an Evidence Base with supporting documents, a policy document setting out aims and objectives and a document detailing the justifications for any site allocations. These documents will be available during the public consultation.

The draft plan not only covers where and how many houses should be built but also covers matters concerning the natural environment, the historic built environment, public open space and transport and parking.

The draft plan has taken a number of years to produce. It is a complicated piece of work as it needs to adhere to Government Policy and WDBC's own plan (the latter is the Plymouth & South West Devon Joint Local Plan – usually shortened to JLP).

More information can be found on the Parish Council web site under the heading of 'Neighbourhood Plan' at exbournewithjacobstoweepc.org.uk

You may find it helpful to look at other Neighbourhood Plans to see how other parishes have approached their plan e.g. Highampton, North Tawton and Bridestowe & Sourton. These can be found at www.westdevon.gov.uk/council-plans-policies-and-reports/policies/planning-policies/neighbourhood-plans Gaye Langham (on behalf of the ENPG)



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EASTER EGG HUNT: There will be an Easter Egg Hunt in the churchyard (weather permitting) or in the Church following our Easter Sunday Holy Communion Service at 11am on **31st March**.

All are most welcome to join us and we would really love to celebrate this special occasion with parents and children – do come and join us – coffee and biscuits will be served after the service.

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THANK YOU.**

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We now have a large selection of books on all subjects – from football to snooker, from gardening to cookery etc. all available in the Church to borrow or swap – please feel free to pause at your leisure – the church is open daily between 10am and 4pm.

FLOWER ROTA: All decorate for Easter if possible please.

7th APRIL - Hazel.

14th- 21st April - Pauline

28th April - Jane

BELL RINGING:-

A NEW LADY HAS MOVED INTO THE AREA & IS KEEN TO SET UP A TEAM OF BELL RINGERS FOR OUR CHURCH. If you are a regular ringer or are keen to learn PLEASE CONTACT MARGARET – Email mafitz@hotmail.co.uk

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Northlew St Thomas of Canterbury Church and Friends of St Thomas'

Every season has its own appeal. But Spring, with new life and the promise of crops to come has a slight edge I think. This is an apt time to thank the people who keep the Churchyard in such a peaceful and tidy condition. The grass is leaping up now, and will be for the next few months - soon a jungle if left to itself! Thank you to Roger and his Merry Men.

Not so long ago there were two general stores, a bakers, a butchers and a cobblers in Northlew. Today we mourn Cecil Sanders, who kept one of the busy grocers. The other was owned and run by Hilary and Bill Isaac. Both shops were a lifeline for the villagers and always busy. Not forgetting Lew Gratton who delivered bread etc. all around the district. He, and his wife Lilian, always open for kids coming to spend their choir pay on the way home from Fred and Enid's choir practise.

Cecil (age 95) passed away recently and will be very fondly remembered. He and Pam took on the shop at the top of the square from his parents and nothing was ever too much trouble. He would go around the warehouses in Plymouth and pick up all manner of Christmas presents for the Northlew kids - noticeably tin helmets for the lads war games. Often ably assisted by Jack Webber. Cecil was such a kind man to whom nothing was too much trouble and we offer our condolences to Sue, Tim, Rod and the Family.

There will be a Dragon Pie Supper on April 20th. St. George's Day is on April 23rd.

Pat Durston

Exbourne Village Hall

The recent Quiz and Puds Evening was attended by teams from Exbourne and beyond who exercised their brains and enjoyed a variety of delicious desserts. The event raised over £200 for Village Hall funds.

Wednesday 24th April: **Village Hall AGM**, 7pm. Come along and hear what the Committee have been up to in the last 12 months. All welcome.

Sunday 19th May: **Table-top sale**. The ideal opportunity to make some money from your clutter, so book your table and have a clear-out. Sellers £5 per table, buyers 50p. Refreshments available. For more information or to book a table email ianstjohn100@gmail.com.

Wednesday 22nd May: Cybercrime Awareness Presentation, 7.30pm. A one hour talk, presented by the Cyber Protect Officer from Devon and Cornwall Police, during which you will learn some practical strategies that will help safeguard you, your family and/or your business or charity from many of today's on-line threats. You will also be informed of some of the latest tricks to look out for including recent Telephone and SMS scams. This event is free but donations to Village Hall funds would be welcome.

Micro-Library will be on Wednesday 3rd & 17th April at 3pm.

The Village Hall now has a web page on the parish councils website at <https://exbournewithjacobstowepc.org.uk/exbourne-village-hall/>. This provides information about our fundraising events and the regular activities which take place in the Hall as well as details about how to hire the Hall for your own events. Information about our events is also posted on the Exbourne Village Hall Facebook group.

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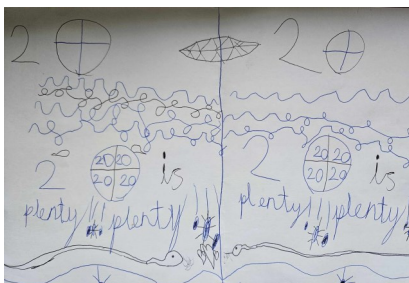
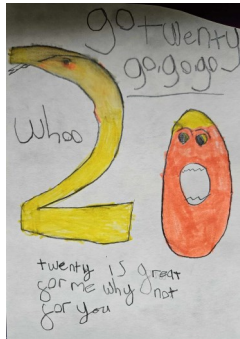
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Hatherleigh Town Council would like to thank all those who entered into our '20 is Plenty' sign competition.

The winning entry, chosen at our Council Meeting was 'The Highway Hero', designed by Harry aged 10.

Keep your eye out for the winning sign coming to our Town soon.



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Please email any submissions to the editor *please note we have a new email*

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