

March 2019



In this edition:

An invitation to become a Parish Councillor, employment opportunities, an update on the CLT and a brief history of the Parish Council and much much more.....

Useful Information

DOCTORS

Doctors Surgery: 01647 24272 or 01647 24025 Patient Participation Group, Contacts: Jean Martin 01647 24586, Caryn Tripp 01647 24582 Surgery (No Appointment Necessary) 8 – 9.30 am Monday to Friday. Out of Hours: Ring 111 IN EMERGENCY RING 999

MINOR INJURIES UNIT

Okehampton Medical Centre, open Mon - Fri, 8.15 am - 6.00 pm

POLICE		EMERGENCY SERVICES		
For all non emergency contact	ct please ring 101	Electricity	0800 365 900	
			Gas	0800 111 999
Crimestoppers:	0800 555 111		Water	0344 346 2020
			Highways Agency	0300 123 5000
Neighbourhood Watch:	Jean Martin	01647 24586	Streetlights, potholes etc:	0345 155 1004
				csc.roads@devon.gov.uk

SCHOOL, PRESCHOOL, YOUTH and OTHER ORGANISATIONS

Cheriton Bishop Primary School	01647 24817 (termtime only)	Federation Head:	
Head Teacher: Mrs Alex Waterman		Fed. Chair of Governors: Alexis Saffin	
Secretary: Mrs Linda McCracken		PTFA Chairman: Emma Benjamin	
Cheriton Bishop Pre-school		Beavers: Rachel Barclay	01647 24575
Play Leader: Christine Grist	01647 281205	Cubs: James Morris	01647 252375
Young Farmers: Louise Putt	07792 518439	Scouts: Ollie Milverton	07706 695928
Walking Group: Dennis Milton	01647 272844	Group Scout Leader: Kevin Unsworth	01647 24773
Jon Whitehead	01647 281454		

Farming Community Networks (FCNs) helpline 0300 111999 or Joanne Jones 07897 540278

LOCAL CHURCHES

Anglican Team Ministry: Rev. Martin Wood, The Rectory, Church Lane, Cheriton Bishop01647 24119 (Tues-Sun)Church Wardens:Alan Greenslade01647 24002, + 1 VacancyCrockernwell Methodist Minister:Rev. David Easton, 21 Dunsford Road, Exeter, EX4 1LG.01392 255791Church Secretary:Mrs A MacDonald 01647 24446West Down Chapel:Derek Coren01647 24264

HALLS & MEETING ROOMS

VILLAGE HALL Bookings: Tim Gorringe 01647 24789 SPALDING HALL Bookings: Jean Martin 01647 24586 If no reply after 24hours ring Paul Mitchell on 01647 24405

Acorn Community Support Office: 01647 252701

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Parish Councillors			Mid Devon District Councillors	
Chairman	Tim Vooght	01647 24593	Derek Coren	01647 24264
Vice Chairmen	Chris Carter	01647 24774	Peter Heal	01363 884277
	David Tripp	01647 24582		
Councillors	Kim Bastyan	07966 478054		
	Phil Dicker	01647 24450	County Councillors	
	Peter Endacott	01647 24580	Nick Way (CheritonBishop)	01363 777903
	Dennis Milton	01647 272844	James McInnes (Crockernwell)	01837 861364
	Oswald Chung	01647 272823		
Parish Clerk	Mrs Diane Sheph	erd	Member of Parliament	
	01363 85051	Mob: 07903171897	Mel Stride MP (Central Devon)	
	clerk@cheriton	bishop-pc.org.uk	Write to: House of Commons, Londo	on, SW1 1AA
		olebrooke, EX17 5JH	,	,
	www.cheritonbish			

Crockernwell

Crockernwell Ward Parish Councillors:

Bill Savage, email: bill.savage@drewsteigntonparish.co.uk Ysanne James, email: ysanne.james@drewsteigntonparish.co.uk

Clerk to Drewsteignton PC: Lucy Bruckner 07538 130973, 2 New Park, Bridford, Exeter EX6 7LJ, email: clerk@drewsteigntonparish.co.uk

West Devon Borough Councillor: Paul Ridgers 01822 813600, email: cllr.paul.ridgers@westdevon.gov.uk

LOCAL SERVICES (Paid advert)

CHIROPODY HOME SERVICES Mrs Julie Chatfield NMChs SRCH 01647 24382

Welcome to the March edition of our parish newsletter.

This months issue is full of invitations! Residents of the Parish are invited to throw their hat into the ring for the Parish Council Elections which will be held later this year. To find out more please see page 7.

An invite to the Annual Parish Council Meeting

Also on this month is the Annual Parish Council meeting. This gives residents an opportunity to meet our Councillors in an informal setting and discover what they have been doing on our behalf. There is also the possibility of passing on our thanks for all their selfless endeavours in maintaining our community and making it a great place to live. It will be held at the Spalding Hall on the 11th March.

Options for administering the Pre-School

The successful and well attended pre-school is run by a committee of volunteers who are overstretched and under staffed and the time has come to review the way it is run. There are a number of options to be reviewed and some decisions to be made. Please see page 17 for more details.

Former Headmaster, Mr Alan Conridge, has passed away

Long time residents of Cheriton Bishop will be saddened to learn that Mr Alan Conridge, former Headmaster of the Primary School, has passed away. By all accounts he was a much loved and respected Head who created a wonderful, welcoming atmosphere in the school. Details of his funeral can be found on page 26.

Local Plan Review Hearing

As many of you will know a section of land between Hescane Park and The Old Rectory has been earmarked as a potential site for new housing. The Hearing to review the Local Plan was held on Friday 15th February at the Phoenix Chambers in Tiverton. I will update you on what was discussed and agreed as soon as I have some further information.

If you own a dog, do the right thing!

Finally I have been asked to say a few words about Dog Dirt. If your dog defecates on the pavement, please pick it up! This helps keep our streets clean and minimises the risk of inadvertently taking it home!

Well that's all for now folks! Please continue to write in with your suggestions and comments.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Andrea Wood, Editor

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Cheriton Bishop Website

For more information about Cheriton Bishop, Crockernwell and the surrounding area please visit the Cheriton Bishop Website: www.cheritonbishop.org.uk

Regular Meeting Dates	
Art @ Caribarn Studio, Pitton Barton Contact: Sue Bloomfield 24840	usually every last Friday of the month 9.30 - 12.30
Baby Clinic Contact: The Surgery	Clinic held every 4th Wednesday of the month 2- 3pm @ CB surgery
Beavers (6 - 8 yrs) Contact: Rachel Barclay 01647 24575	Every Thursday during term time
Camera Club Contact: Andrea Wood 01647 272786	Monthly in the Spalding Hall
Cheriton Bishop Baby and Toddler Group Contact: Find us on Facebook	
Coffee Mornings at Crockernwell Contact: Mrs A MacDonald 24446	Every second Saturday in the month
Cubs (8 -10 yrs) Contact: James Morris 01647 252375	Every Thursday during term time (after Beavers)
Gardening Club Contact: Janet Jeffery 24414	usually the third Monday evening in the month during Autumn and Winter
Parish Council Contact Diane Shepherd 01363 85051	every second Monday evening in the month
Pilates (paid advert) Contact: Adele 07976 427941	every Friday morning, 8.55am and 10.00 am during term time
Preschool Contact: Christine Grist 281205	Mon, Wed, Thurs 9-3, Tue 9 -11.30, also "Lunch Club" until 12.45pm on Tues. All during term time only
Scouts (10 - 14 yrs) Contact: Ollie Milverton 07706 695928	Every Monday evening during term time
Short Mat Bowling Contact: David Tripp 24582 or Pat Hill 24201	Every Wednesday evening 7.30 - 9.30pm, Sept - May
Spiritual discussion Group Contact: Penny Gare 24639	Monthly
Walking Group Contact: Dennis Milton 01647 272844 or Jon Whitehead 01647 281454	For daytime walks see the CB Walking Group Facebook page
West Country Embroiderers Contact: Elaine Clark at <u>elainejclark@hotmail.co.uk</u> website: wcecheritonbishop	Every first Tuesday afternoon in the month
West Down Bible Study & Prayer Contact: Derek Coren 24264	Every Monday evening Oct - May
Young Farmers Contact: Louise Putt 07792 518439	Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings

March	Activity	Location	Time
ТВА	Walking Group	YFC Car Park	10.00am
5th	WCE Embroidery Group	Village Hall	1.45-4pm
5th	Tedburn St Mary WI	Tedburn Village Hall	7.30pm
6th	Acorn Trip to Sainsburys	Exeter	
7th	Acorn Lunch	Red Lion, Tedburn	12.30pm
11th	Annual Parish Meeting	Spalding Hall	7.00pm
11th	Parish Council Meeting	Spalding Hall	7.30pm
18th	Cuppa and a chat	Spalding Hall	2 - 4pm
18th	Gardening Club	Spalding Hall	7.30pm
20th	Acorn Trip to Sainsburys	Exeter	
21st	Camera Club	Spalding Hall	7 - 8.30pm
23rd - 24th	Spring Embroidery Fair	Village Hall	All day
26th	Mobile Library	Stanbury's Orchard, Glebelands, Hescane Park	14.35/15.05/15.
30th	Acorn Outing to <i>Jungle Book</i> musical	Teign Valley Community Hall	2.30
31st	Mothering Sunday / CLOCKS SPRING FORWARD !		

Forthcoming Events in 2019:

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3rd April	Submission of Nomination Papers for Parish Council Elections
4th April	Steve Knightley at Higher Eggbeer Unplugged for Age Concern Exeter (see p. 25)
6th April	Village Spring Clean, Stone Cross, 9.30am
6th April	Spring Show, Village Hall, 2.30pm
10th April	Rescheduled Open Day at Castle Drogo 11- 3 pm
2nd May	Parish Council Elections
11th May	CB Parish Church coffee morning and plant sale
19th May	Vintage Afternoon Tea event in the Village Hall for World IBD Day
25th May	Gardening Club Mini Show & Cream Tea

The Mobile Library

Dates for 2019: Mar 26, Apr 23. Please contact Clir Derek Coren, your local councillor and let him know that you value this service and would like to see it continue in the next financial year.

	Arrives	Departs	
Crockernwell			
Stanbury's Orchard	14.35	14.55	
Cheriton Bishop			
Glebelands	15.05	15.35	
Hescane Park	15.40	16.10	

Cheriton Bishop Parish Council Information

The minutes of the February meeting have not been made available in time for publication however to give you a flavour of what was discussed at the January meeting, a summary of the minutes is included below as well as the agenda for the February meeting. To read the full minutes please go the website www.cheritonbishop-pc.org.uk

Summary of Minutes from Cheriton Bishop Parish Council meeting held on Monday January 14th at 7.30pm at Spalding Hall, Cheriton Bishop.

Report from Cllr Way (DCC): Cllr Way reported on meeting with Highways to consider extending the 20mph zone to the Four Cross Ways. This has been rejected but further investigations will be done. He also reminded Cllrs about the Boundary Review.

Report from the Chair: The Chair reported on a proposal re: erecting signs encouraging vehicles to slow down around the school. Cllrs discussed the way forward regarding funding and using personalised signs on private land. Deliberations continue.

Report from Councillors: Cllr Milton enquired about the re-allocation of the last two properties on the Community Land Trust site. Cllr Heal undertook to enquire.

Mid Devon District Council: Planning Applications:

1.	Reference: 18/01948	Proposal: Outline for the erection of 5 dwellings		
	Location: Land at East of Hill View	Applicant:	Mr P Nikells	

It was resolved to **object** to this application because it was outside the village boundary and it represented over development on a site that had not been identified by the Council for development as set out in the MDDC Local Plan. In addition the access to the site was considered to be unsafe

2.	Reference:	18/01680	Proposal:	Erection of 2 storey extension to existing detached garage
3.	Reference:	18/01685	Proposal:	Change of use of agricultural land for the siting of 3 safari tents, formation of car park and the formulation of the site

Location: Crooked Chimneys Cottage and land adjacent to Applicant: Mr and Mrs Knott

It was noted that MDDC had approved the above planning application with conditions as filed.

4.	Reference:	18/01460	Proposal:		ulness for the continued use of dwelling house not built in anning permission	
	Location:	The Annexe,	Polford Cottage	Applicant:	Mr and Mrs Badham	

MDDC notified that the above application has been refused.

5.	Reference:	18/01725	Proposal:	Removal of c	condition relating to agricultural tie
	Location:	Thorne Cro	ss Farm	Applicant:	Mr R Toms

MDDC notified that the above application has been withdrawn:

Cllrs Tripp, Carter, Milton, and Chung have agreed to look at planning applications online in advance of the Council meeting to support the Council's discussions.

The budget for 2019/20 was approved.

A grant of £1800 has been offered by DCC towards the cost of a salt spreader for the Parish. Cllr Endacott will purchase the spreader and invoice the Council. Additional monies to be added from Council reserves.

Checkers Store – Nomination as Community Asset: Cllrs Tripp and Milton will work on completing the nomination form.

Section 106 monies: The Clerk will write to the Diocese of Exeter re: purchasing the Village Green

Roads and Footpaths in the Parish: Cllr Dicker referred to the Bridleway between Wolfgar and Yeoford Road and reports of a firearm being discharged nearby which were being investigated.

Correspondence:

Regarding a complaint received re: the publication of the minutes and agenda in the newsletter, it was resolved that the agenda should be sent to the newsletter to be published in the next edition together with the draft minutes from the previous month to enable parishioners to see what had been discussed at the last council meeting.

Agenda For February Meeting of CHERITON BISHOP PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Diane Shepherd, Squirrel Lodge, Colebrooke, EX17 5JH. Telephone: 01363 85051/07565 350457 clerk@cheritonbishop-pc.org.uk www.cheritonbishop-pc.org.uk Chair: Mr T Vooght

You are hereby invited to attend a Meeting of Cheriton Bishop Parish Council which will be held on Monday February 11th at 7.30pm at Spalding Village Hall, Cheriton Bishop for the purposes of transacting the following business.

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 members of the public are welcome to attend.

Diane Shepherd

5th February 2019

- 1. To receive and accept apologies
- 2. To receive Declarations of Interest: To receive declarations of personal interest and disclosable pecuniary interest in respect of items on this agenda
- **3. Public Participation:** To receive public comment on items on the agenda. A maximum of 10 minutes is allowed for this item.
- 4. Minutes of the Cheriton Bishop Council Meeting held on the 11th January 2019: To approve and sign as a correct record
- 5. Report from Cllr Way (DCC): For Information Only
- 6. Report from the Chair: To consider a report from the Chair. For information only
- 7. Report from Councillors: To consider reports from Councillors. For information only
- 8. Report from Cllr Heal (MDDC): For Information Only
- 9. Report from Cllr Coren (MDDC): For Information Only
- **10. Mid Devon District Council: Planning Applications:** MDDC has asked for observations on the following planning applications:

Reference:	18/01948
Proposal:	Outline for the erection of 5 dwellings
Location:	Land and buildings East of Hill View
Applicant:	Mr P Nikells

11. Mid Devon District Council: Planning Decisions: MDDC has **approved the** following planning applications with conditions as filed:

Reference:	19/00001
Proposal:	Prior notification for the erection of an extension to an agricultural building
Location:	Land at Down Farm
Applicant:	Mr J Dennis

Reference: Proposal: Location: Applicant:	18/01925 CLU for the existing use of a dwelling and ancillary/garden area for a period in excess of 10 years Brambles Mr and Mrs Palfry
Reference:	18/01784/32
Proposal:	Conversion of barn to ancillary accommodation
Location:	Venbridge Cottage
Applicant:	Mr and Mrs Lancashire

12. Mid Devon District Council: Planning Withdrawal: MDDC has notified that the following application has been **withdrawn:**

Reference:	18/02026
Proposal:	Prior Notification for the change of use of an agricultural building to 2 dwellings under Class Q
	uwenings under Class Q
Location:	Coxland Farm

- 13. Checkers Store Nomination as Community Asset: To consider re-nomination application
- 14. Section 106 monies: The Council to consider suitable open space projects including purchase of the Village Green. The Clerk to report
- 15. Revised Standing Orders: To approve revised Standing Orders
- 16. Devon Air Ambulance: Cllr Endacott to report
- 17. Annual Parish Meeting: To agree arrangements
- 18. Boundary Review: Cllr Way to report
- 19. Speeding Signs: Cllr Way to report

To note the following receipts:

- 20. **Roads and Footpaths in the Parish:** To consider issues relating to roads and Footpaths in the parish including verge cutting by MDDC
- 21. Correspondence: To consider the report circulated by the Clerk

22. Budget and Accounts:

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Newsletter	£356
To approve the following payments:	
Diane Shepherd (Salary February)	£296.94
HMRC (PAYE February)	£74.23
Diane Shepherd (Travelling)	£23.40
Phone rental (January)	£6.53
Clarity	£103.07
Vision ICT (web support and hosting)	£150
Mason Kings (Spreader)	£3600

23. Items for the Next Agenda: To identify items for the next agenda

24. Public Open Session. For Information Only

25. Date and Time of Next Meeting: March 11th 2019 at 7.30 pm

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING A PARISH COUNCILLOR?

All EIGHT Parish Council seats are up for election this year. Nomination packs can be obtained from Mid Devon District Council now online at <u>www.middevon.gov.uk</u> Telephone: 01884 255255

Nomination papers must be delivered in person by 3rd April

As a Councillor you can become a voice for your community. Councillors care about their community and represent the hopes of the parish that they serve. Parish Councils are the most local part of the democratic system and are closest to the community. Why don't you stand and see what difference you can make to your local community?

For further information please contact the Clerk, Diane Shepherd on 01363 85051/07903 171897

Parish Councillors can make a real difference

Child Road Safety Plea Drivers! Please take extra care when passing pedestrians, particularly children. Many children walk the lane leading to the school or up to catch a QE bus. They walk to Beavers, Cubs and Scouts in the late afternoon and evening. There are no pavements on Church Lane. When you drive past, children have to walk tucked into the edge of the road which often means they are walking on an uneven surface (broken tarmac/concrete/edges of driveways). At any moment they could trip and fall onto the road – please don't squeeze past Slow Down them, wait until they are in a safe place before you pass. Please think about your speed. Young children have not developed the ability to accurately judge the speed of an oncoming vehicle so are likely to cross the road when it is dangerous to do so. No matter how often a child has been told about road safety, it is entirely possible that the moment a thought enters their head to overtake their friend or dash off after something they will act upon it. They are children, YOU have to be able to stop. Just because the speed limit is 20/30/60mph does not mean that that is the appropriate speed to pass pedestrians/dogs on leads/horse riders etc. On a related note, please turn off your engine if you are parked on the road or layby while waiting for school to finish; the exhaust fumes are unpleasant for residents and walkers alike.' Thank you for your considerate driving.

Cheriton Bishop Council Village Clean UpCouncil Village Clean UpCoun

Gardening Club

As spring slowly arrives we come to the last of our winter talks on March 18th, 7.30pm in the Spalding Hall. We look forward to welcoming a speaker from the Woodland Trust. Those who go walking around Castle Drogo will be aware of the work carried out in the gorge, with tree felling and scrub clearing, and it will be interesting to hear of the reasoning behind the changes.



We are planning some outings this summer – look out for future announcements in the newsletter. Following last year's successful Cream Tea afternoon and mini-show we are repeating the event on Sat. 25th May.

The first of our main shows is on April 6th, with the Spring Show. Last year this was cancelled because of the snow, but it is slightly later this year so we hope this will not reoccur. Show schedules will be available from the red box in front of the Village Hall at least 3 weeks before the show, and the hall will open from 2.30pm in the afternoon. What a delightful way to spend the afternoon, looking at beautiful spring flowers, followed by tea and homemade cakes! There is no charge on the door and all are welcome.

Janet Jeffery



A patchwork owl

West Country Embroiderers, Textiles & Mixed Media

Tuesday 5th March - 13.45 - Cheriton Bishop Village Hall DAY SCHOOL - 20th March - Print, Collage and Stitch with Doug Anderson

Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th March - Spring Embroidery Fair

March promises to be a hectic period for our members. This month our meeting focuses on mounting and exhibiting work. Jenny Bone and Alan Dilly will be on hand with card, mounts and inspiration to help

members display their work for our forthcoming Fair. A few weeks later, we welcome Doug Anderson for a Day School following an inspirational afternoon workshop last year. We will have the opportunity to experiment with mono printing, heat transfer & simple relief printing to create a palette of personalised embellished fabrics for collage.

Our Spring Fair is an opportunity for everyone to exhibit work showing a wide range of techniques. There will be demonstrations and several stalls have been booked. The stage area will be taken over by toys, old and new! Throughout the day, our 'cafe' will be offering snacks, bacon butties, lunches and delicious cakes. Why not wander up to the Hall and while away a few hours and enjoy a coffee and chat or lunch. Everyone is welcome.

Annual membership is only £25, please contact me if you are interested in joining. elainejclark@hotmail.co.uk or telephone me at home on 0164724218.

Native vs non native

For hundreds of years Britain's botanists have led the way in discovering and documenting plant species from around the World and then transferring them back here for propagation. We are now so used to seeing exotic plants such as Bamboo and Eucalyptus growing in our gardens that we forget they originated in countries thousands of miles from here.

Unfortunately we didn't inform our native wildlife that we were replacing their habitat wholescale. Hence, our wildlife is struggling to adapt. This is because their lifecycles, foodstuffs and habitat preferences have evolved over tens of thousands of years, and it'll take another millennia for them to readjust to the new habitat we have created for them!



Take for example the

Marsh Fritilary butterfly. This rare little butterfly only lays its eggs on the Devil's Bit Scabiosa plant. It's whole life cycle revolves around this lovely little native plant. However, this plant has been displaced from our

gardens in favour of new more dazzling species. This has led to the near extinction of the Marsh Fritillary butterfly. But Scabiosa wasn't just valued by the Fritillary butterfly, in days gone by, herbalists used this plant to treat skin conditions such as scabies and exzema hence its name!

If you would like to do something for nature this Summer perhaps you would consider planting a few of the following wonder plants in your borders?

Devil's bit Scabiosa has a preference for damp habitats, but will grow in dryer places as well. It is unfussy, equally happy in sun or shade, or in calcareous or acid soils and it is a good source of food for butterflies and bees. The leaves are eaten by general plant feeding insects and the seeds are eaten by sparrows and finches.

If you are lucky enough to have a hedge in your garden, perhaps you would consider threading a native **honeysuckle (Lonicera periclymenum)** through the branches. This plant is important for night flying moths, which are its main pollinators. And by creating a habitat for night flying insects, we enable the survival of night flying mammals, such as bats. By day Honeysuckle will attract Hummingbird Hawkmoths and long tongued bumblebees and the berries will sustain robins, blackbirds, song thrushes and blackcaps.

The **Michelmas Daisy** is already beloved of gardeners due to its late flowering habit providing lovely Autumn colour. However it also provides a useful source of late season nectar for bees, hoverflies and butterflies especially the Small Tortoiseshell and Small Copper. The seeds are eaten by goldfinches and, if left uncut overwinter, the dead standing stems and seed heads will be used by hibernating insects such as ladybirds. If you can tolerate a few 'weeds' in your lawn, border or hedgerow perhaps you would consider the **cow parsley** which is beloved of hoverflies and soldier beetles. The large seeds are enjoyed by sparrows and finches as well as voles and dormice. It is a food plant of the Single Dotted Wave moth and other non specialised plant feeding caterpillars.

The **Dog Rose (Rosa Canina)** is an amazing plant. It can provide a safe nest site for birds due to its prickly nature, its flowers provide nectar for butterflies, such as the Gatekeeper,



bees and other pollinators. Its leaves are food for several moths and its fruits, known as hips, are winter food for thrushes, greenfinches and other birds and also mice and voles. Now that's what I call 'value for money'!

And of course the much maligned White Clover. An utter blight on a well manicured lawn, but it is the **main food source** of the Common Blue caterpillar, the Garden Dart, the Hebrew Character and Silver Y moths. If clover is already present in your lawn just refrain from mowing a small patch of it during its flowering season (June to September) and look out for the profusion of butterflies that will surely follow.

Unfortunately many of our local hedgerows have been utterly debased. Flailed at the wrong time of year with blunt implements which denude them of any useful shelter over Winter, strip them of the hips and berries which are a vital food source for our birdlife and eventually the eviscerated stumps will give up and die allowing them to be replaced with less bothersome wire fencing.

If you would like to give our birds and mammals a helping hand then you can do no better than plant a hedge of native shrubs in your garden. Choosing hedging plants to maximise their usefulness for wildlife involves a bit of thought, a good rule of thumb is a mixture of 75% hawthorn, 15% field maple and 2% holly and native privet for a splash of evergreen winter leaf colour, dogwood for the red colour of its stems, guilder rose and dog rose. Use around 5 plants for each meter of hedge and help the hedge to establish by planting the seedlings so that they all slope along the line of the hedge in the same direction at about 45 degrees.

Finally if you are thinking of planting trees in your garden, the native **Holly Tree (Ilex aquifolium)** is a real winner. This slow growing evergreen will delight in every season and won't cause offence to the neighbours by stealing their light and subsiding their foundations.

References: RHS, Wildlife Gardening. Chris Baines RSPB Handbook of Garden Wildlife Peter Holden and Geoffrey Abbott.

Jobs for the Garden in March

By March, herbaceous plants can be cut back to give the fresh young shoots room to grow. Those seed heads left all winter for the birds will now be soggy and rotting away. They make an ideal base for the compost heap before grass mowings make up the next layer.



Some plants can be divided now, such as astrantia and asters, campanula and coreopsis. Bamboo doesn't like being divided in winter, but in Spring it will flourish. If you buy bare root plants now they will establish quickly too; a good option if you want to

plant a new hedge. I have just started using mycorrhizal fungi (available from most garden centres) on plant roots at planting time. It is a little controversial whether it helps the plant to establish or not, but apparently it is most likely to help on poor soil where manure has not been added. A handful sprinkled on bare roots speeds up the plant's ability to absorb nutrients from the soil.

Don't be afraid to move plants now, just before they start to grow vigorously. If a plant or tree is languishing in the wrong place, now is the time to give it the opportunity to flourish.

This is an exciting time of year for seeds. Don't get carried away germinating too many seeds that need to be kept frost free for another 2 months or so, such as tomatoes and cucumber. Only put in as many seeds as you can properly care for, but enjoy watching them emerge and flourish!

By Sally Rix

Are you pregnant and considering extra post natal support?

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CHERITON BISHOP PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

11th MARCH at 7.00 PM in the SPALDING HALL

Agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting

- 1. Apologies for Absence
- 2. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 21st May 2018
- 3. Chairman's report. The Chairman to report on the activities of the Parish Council in the past 12 months and the activities planned for the next 12 months
- 4. Opportunity to ask questions and raise any issues
- 5. Date of Next Meeting 9th March 2020

All members of the Parish are invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting. The Parish Meeting is an opportunity for parishioners on the Electoral Roll for Cheriton Bishop to raise any matters of concern to them that relates to their local community. An opportunity for you to meet your local Parish Councillors!

A cuppa and a chat at the Spalding Hall!

on Monday 18th March 2019 between 2pm and 4pm

Everyone is welcome!

Choice of hot and cold drinks and biscuits

Need a lift from your home? Ring Jean on 01647 24586 beforehand

There is no charge but we do put out a pot for any donations towards the cost of hiring the hall



ACORN Lunch

Thursday 7th March 12.30pm At Red Lion Pub, Tedburn St. Mary

£8.95 per person or £9.95 to include Tea or Coffee

Choice of Main Course and Dessert as follows:

1 Fish, Chips & Peas 2 Steak & Ale Pie, potatoes and veg or 3 Chicken Korma & Rice4 Lemon Meringue Pie 5 Ice Cream or 6 Jam Sponge & custard

<u>Please telephone Jean</u> with the numbers corresponding with your choice before <u>4th March</u> on 01647 24586 and let her know if you need a lift.





Cheriton Bishop Community Land Trust

Residents will hopefully have noticed the eight new houses just up from the Surgery. Tenants received their keys on 21st January, and moved in that week. When the Trust began work nine years ago its first priority was that the new houses should be an ornament to the Village, and I hope people feel they are. They make houses available at affordable rents for members of the community.

These houses are owned by the Village. They are let on a long lease to Hastoe Housing Association, who manage them for us,

but at some point in the future there will be an option to buy them back. The CLT receives an annual ground rent from Hastoe to be used for sustainability purposes in the Village, after the annual fee to the FCA has been paid.

For the moment the CLT has no plans for further development and Trustees are unlikely to meet more than once a year. However, the Trust needs to stay in existence, both as the legal owner of the houses, but more importantly to take action should community assets like the pub or the shop come under threat. Our Village hall is currently 86 years old, and though it is good for its age at some stage there will be need for a new hall. We have a Village Green for the time being but it is rented and does not belong to us. At some point it may be possible to purchase this or another piece of land near the village centre which can serve for community recreation. In the Parish Plan Questionnaire some interest was expressed in finding land for allotments. So the Trust needs to keep a watching brief. The present Trustees are not youngsters, and will not last for ever. We need people who have the good of the community at heart, who are in the Village for the long haul, who will be prepared to become Trustees and to take action should the need arise. If you feel you could do this please contact Tim Gorringe or Gill Westcott on 24789.

Brief history of the Parish Council in Cheriton Bishop (1894-1994) : Part 1

'History and the origins of the first Parish Council'

I am always intrigued by the workings of our Parish Council, what is their purpose, their history and how they adjust to the 21st century, catering to the needs of the community in the constantly changing and challenging world in which we live. I am sure some of our readers would also like to know, particularly the new residents of Cheriton

Bishop & Crockernwell like myself. I hope this article will give you a better understanding and appreciation of how our parish council operates for the benefit of the community. Also it gives us an insight into what life was like in those early days and, as a newly elected parish councillor, I thought this would make an



The development of the modern Parish

Councils (as we see them today)

Following the enactment of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, a parish council has been able to alternatively style itself as a "village council", "neighbourhood council" or "community council". They have powers which can include the following:

> Support and encouragement of arts and crafts
> Provision of village halls
> Provision and maintenance of recreation grounds, parks, children's play areas, playing fields and swimming baths
> Provision and maintenance of cemeteries and crematoria
> Maintenance of closed churchyards
> Cleaning and drainage of ponds, watercourses and ditches
> Control of litter

- Provision and maintenance of public toilets
- Creation and maintenance of footpaths and bridleways
- Provision of cycle and motorcycle parking
- Acquisition and maintenance of rights of way
- Provision and maintenance of public clocks
- Maintenance of war memorials
- Encouragement of tourism
- They may also provide the following:
- Bus shelters
- Signposting of footpaths
- Lighting of footpaths
- Off-street car parks
- Provision, maintenance and protection of roadside verges

A Parish Council consists of the chairman and no fewer than six elected Parish councillors, and a quorum of the main council committee is at least one-third of the members. The minutes of the meeting are taken by the clerk, and are ratified at the next meeting of the council. They must also be displayed in a noticeable place in the parish, and for many councils, they are now also displayed on the internet. The term of office for parish councillors is four years, and council seats are elected *en bloc* through a first past the post system like some other UK elections.

The Local Government Act 1972, recognized the role of parish councils in development planning in their parish, and gave them the right to be informed

interesting article for our newsletter, unlocking the mystery of this organisation.

But in order to fully understand the working of the Parish Council in the UK one must go back to the origins when it all began. A Parish Council is a civil local authority found in England and is the first tier of local government. They are elected corporate bodies and are responsible for areas known as civil parishes serving the local residents. For example, a parish council serving a town may be called a town council; a parish council serving a city is styled a city council; and a parish council serving a parish is a parish council. These bodies have the same powers, duties and status as a parish council. Their formation is defined in the 1894 Act of Parliament and subsequent legislation. The ancient historical parish system in Europe was established between the 8th and 12th centuries and in England was already old by the time of the Norman Conquest. These areas were originally based on the territory of one or more manor areas which in some cases derived their bounds from Roman or Iron Age estates. Parish boundaries were very conservative, changing little, and after 1180 'froze' so that boundaries could no longer be changed at all, despite changes to manorial landholdings, though there were some examples of sub-division. Civil parish councils were formed in England under the reforming Local Government Act 1894 to take over local oversight of civic duties in rural towns and villages.

and consulted on applications for such

development. However, the original proposal to grant a general power of competence to councils was not carried through, and the doctrine of *ultra vires* remained. This meant that the constraints of *'ultra vires'* limited the activities of parish councils to only those things for which they had been given statutory powers.

The formation of Cheriton **Bishop Parish Council** started one winter's night on Thursday 13th December 1894. The then schoolmaster in Cheriton Bishop, George Saunders, summoned eight new councillors in the village for their first meeting of the parish council. These gentlemen were a John Lambert-Gorwyn, Charles Guscott, Henry Harvey, Samuel Shilstone, John Haydon, William Hole, William Saffin and William Gorwyn Haydon. These men were the first parish councillors in the



Meeting of the first formation of the parish councillors on the 13th December 1894.

(Sketch courtesy of Jenny Grist 1994 (then parish clerk)

the council was asked to contribute to a collection for 'Generals of the War in South Africa'. On the whole things seemed to be moving along nicely. But, in the Autumn of 1905, a letter was sent to the parish council from the rural district council that demanded immediate action. There was an outbreak of Typhoid Fever at Crockernwell, which was thought to be caused by pollution of the wells.

A joint meeting was held with Drewsteignton Parish Council together with the District Medical Health Officers, Dr Body and Dr Young, and the Inspector of Health, a Mr Pridham. An inspection was made of the sewer and a meeting took place at the Royal Hotel in Crockernwell and the minutes were recorded.

*Special acknowledgement to Mrs Jane Guscott, who kindly loaned me some research materials for this article, and Ms Jenny Grist's published article called '100 years of Cheriton Bishop Parish Council 1894-1994'. Thank you both.

village. Over the years generations of councillors succeeded each other and went about their business of taking care of matters such as the 'state of the path from the church' or 'trimming the hedges along the roads'. The council occupied itself in setting up such matters as technical education, bee keeping or poultry keeping. By1900

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NEDCare looking for 'Champions' in 2019

NEDCare - the not-for-profit home care service for North East Dartmoor - is looking for a Community Champion in each of the towns and villages it supports.

"A Community Champion is someone who could spare a few hours a month to help us to do things such as organise the occasional coffee morning, let us know what services local people really need, or just to make sure our leaflets and posters are up in the right places," says Director, Julia Darby.

NEDCare launched the call for Community Champions following a successful day talking to more than 300 visitors to WellFest, the all-day wellbeing event hosted by Wellmoor at Moretonhampstead Parish Hall on 9th February.

Other highlights of the year so far include a sterling performance by NEDCare's 4x4 volunteers, who made sure NEDCare carers could get to their clients despite the heavy snow at the end of January. "They're real heroes. I can't thank them enough," said Julia.

Fundraising work continues so that NEDCare can support people who need care at home, but can't afford it - typically those whose care is managed by the local authority. Legacy information is now available for anyone who might consider leaving a gift in their will.

For more information, contact Julia Darby on 01647 279211 or email info@nedcare.org



At

Holy Trinity Church, Drewsteignton Saturday 23 March 2019 6pm – 7pm

Doors open at 5:30pm

Tickets £10.00 (includes a glass of wine & nibbles)

Tickets available from Drewsteignton Post Office, The Drewe Arms and Amy's Florist, Chagford

Tickets are limited - Buy early to avoid disappointment





Cheriton Bishop Primary School News



WINTER FUN

We had a couple of lovely snowy days at the end of January with lots of snow – we even had to close the school for a day! Lots of fun though for all involved.

CAVE DRAWINGS IN CLASS 3

Class 3 have been learning about life long ago. As part of their art work they looked at original cave drawings and then created some of their own in their sketch books and then on the playground. Well done Class 3!

INTERNET SAFETY

Tuesday 5th February was Internet Safety Day. In assembly and in the classrooms we discussed how to 'keep safe' when using the internet. This sparked lots of interesting conversations.

FOREST SCHOOL – YEAR 4

The children in Year 4 had three sessions of Forest School during this half of the Spring term. Each week a snack was prepared at the campfire – popcorn making, pancake making and toast. The children created dens, they constructed hurdles, bird feeders, mini habitats. They used materials from the natural environment to create art, such as leaf printing and necklaces.

CLASS 1 STORYTELLING

The children in Class 1 have been using puppets to tell stories. This is a great way to develop speaking and listening skills and come up with exciting story ideas whilst having loads of fun! Well done Class 1!

UNDERGROUND EXCITEMENT

The children in Class 2 had a lovely time visiting both the Royal Albert Memorial museum and the underground passages.

Children particularly enjoyed running through a tiny passage – only 1 metre high! One child said 'It is so fun and even Mrs Waterman (Academy Head) ran with us! The underground passages are interesting too'.

ANCIENT MAYAN LIFE

Class 4 have been learning about the Ancient Mayans. They learnt about Maya writing, known as glyphs and made a super codex—a folding book on bark paper. As the Mayan civilisation was the birthplace of chocolate, the children made Mayan hot chocolate which includes chilli and cinnamon, rather delicious!

PTFA – SPONSORED BUNNY HOP

On Monday 25th March at 2pm the Easter Bunny is challenging the children to a sponsored hop! There will be a circuit set up in the playground and children will be collecting sponsors from friends and family.

LIBRARY LAUNCH/WORLD BOOK DAY

This year World Book Day is Thursday 7th March and we plan to open our new library. The children are invited to dress as a book character, we will have a visiting author in school and there will be an opening ceremony!

Term Dates for Spring 2019

18th – 22nd Feb Wed 7th March Fri 15th March Mon 25th March

Fri 5th April Fri 5th April Tues 23rd April Half Term Library Opening, World Book Day Red Nose Day PTFA Sponsored Bunny Hop Easter Assembly End of Spring Term Start of Summer Term

The Future of Cheriton Bishop Pre-school

Please see below the letter which has been put together by the Pre-school committee. It is basically outlining possible options looking to the future of our Pre-school.

The current committee have identified a critical issue with the current set up of Cheriton Bishop Preschool. We have an extremely popular and successful Pre-school however, it is committee run and therefore legally dependant on an active and available committee in order to operate. The current committee is at minimal levels legally and over stretched. A number of experienced and active members of the Pre-school committee have resigned over recent years due to the demands of the roles, and their children moving on to primary school. This has led to a loss of expertise and time commitment. The current Secretary, Chair and Treasurer are also keen to leave the committee by the end of the academic year. No new committee members came forward at the last AGM, despite repeated attempts to recruit new members.

The current committee and staff have brainstormed a number of options and discussed the pros and cons of each. These options are hopefully not exhaustive, and we would like staff, parents and members of the community to help us to add to options and evaluate options in order for us to make the right decision about the future.

Option 1: Recruit more active committee members. However, this has been repeatedly attempted over recent years and has been failing. The committee officers are required to commit considerable time to their roles and need to have considerable knowledge of education and employment.

Option 2: Transfer to another organisation. Scoping meetings with the MAT have been successful and this is an option agreed to be worth exploring further. (This is the Multi Academy Trust, which Cheriton Bishop Primary School became a part of 12 months ago.) There are clear advantages to this as the school could investigate the creation of a fully integrated foundation unit further easing the transition from Pre-school to primary school. This currently appears the most viable option as it would enhance existing links with the school. There would be efficiency savings for both e.g. policies and practices are currently duplicated. Pre-school could benefit from The Link Academy's existing HR, Marketing and Finance personnel as well as buying power. The

Pre-school could keep a PTFA solely responsible for fundraising



Learning through play and making new friends

enabling the Pre-school to invest in tools, toys etc as they saw fit. Staff would be protected by TUPE legislation. Basically, the Pre-school would initially run on a day-to-day basis the same as it is now, with the school taking over the committee's current responsibilities, and staffing would be unchanged. There would just be the potential to look into a foundation stage unit in the future.

Option 3: Sell the Pre-school to a private buyer. This has not been discussed in great detail as there is no known buyer and the uncertainty of this option has made it unpopular with staff and committee.

Option 4: Change the committee responsibility to a CIO, Charitable Incorporated Organisation. This was discussed at the AGM. However, it was deemed too similar to the current set up and would not add any advantage as committee members' roles and requirements would be the same, only the existing liability removed. This is not currently deemed a viable option as the element that remains the same is the element that is currently risking the Preschool's future.

If you have any comments, questions or suggestions the committee invites you to email cheritonbishoppreschool@outlook.com. Any emails received will be discussed by the committee. The committee is made up of volunteers so responses may not be immediate as they will be discussed and agreed before replying.

A slightly more detailed version of the above information can be found on our website – cheritonbishoppreschool.co.uk – go to 'parent information' and click on 'committee news and events'.

The committee encourages emails to be sent by 3rd March 2019. At which point a public consultation meeting will be arranged and communicated to discuss the situation further.

We would very much appreciate hearing your thoughts.

Cheriton Bishop Pre-school Committee.



What's on in March 2019

www.acorncommunitysupport.co.uk

Cheriton Bishop Lunch Club - Lunches are held on the first Thursday of each month, this month it will be March 7th at the Red Lion. If you would like to come along and meet new people please phone; Jean Martin 01647 24586 or ring the Acorn Office on the number below for more details.

Minibus trips to Sainsbury's from Cheriton - Dates are Wednesdays March 6th & 20th. Help is provided in store. We will also help carry your shopping too! The fare is just £5 return.

NEW! Acorn monthly Cheriton Bishop Outing - Date & venue to be confirmed! £5.00 per person for a return trip. Call the office for more information.

Teign Valley Memory Café - This month it will be Thursdays March 14th & 28th. Meetings are held 10.30 - 12.30 at Strawberry Hill, Dunsford on the B3212 - look out for the sign.

Coffee Morning at Teign Valley Community Hall - The Bowden Room, Teign Valley Community Hall, Christow, 10.30-12. Please drop in for a tea or coffee, a slice of homemade cake & meet up with friends, everyone welcome. This month it will be Tuesdays March 5th & 19th.

Dunsford coffee morning - Village Hall, Dressing room. Wednesdays March 6th & 20th. 10:30 - 12:00 pm. All welcome.

What else do we do? – We have a fantastic group of volunteers who help to provide transport to medical and wellbeing appointments, we can deliver prescriptions, we can also loan equipment to assist you in the home.

Acorn Office: 01647 252701 for further information.

CHERITON BISHOP'S ACORN OUTING

We thought we'd try something a bit different this month for our outing and go to a musical show at Christow.



"The show is a version of the classic *Jungle Book*, with a twist. It's a musical with song and dance - to the music of The Beatles. It is set in 1967, the Summer of Love, and we have lots of "hippie" animals. It is funny and touching. The play runs 2 hours with a 20 minute intermission. It starts at 2:30 at the Teign Valley Community Hall. There will be tea, coffee, snacks and a licensed bar."

There is a matinee performance at 2.30pm on Saturday 30th March. The Tickets cost £5 each, and the minibus cost will also be £5. We'll need to know numbers [so we can buy the show tickets] at the latest by the morning of Friday 8th March so BE QUICK! It's first come first served and there are only 11 seats on the minibus!

Please phone the Acorn Office to book your seat and ticket on 01647 252701 [do leave a message on the answerphone if necessary and they will ring you back]. Once they know who is coming they will draw up a plan for times and places for picking up and let you know.

March marches on

March seems to bring new energy to our year. It often feels that January is still in the shadow of Christmas or perhaps even paying for Christmas! February feels like glimmers of hope and changes. But in March it really starts to change, in terms of light and day length. As we move past the 20th March the days become longer than the nights and it should, in theory, start to warm up as we approach summer. As it warms up, the trees and plants spring back into life. In the early calendars, March and spring signified the beginning of a new year. There is a sense of the movement from the death of winter into the new life of spring. You can see why people regarded spring as a new beginning.

From a Christian perspective, March sees the beginning of Lent. It starts on Ash Wednesday on 6th March. The 'Ash' in Ash Wednesday refers to the sign of the cross made in ash on the forehead of a person wanting to show a turning away from wrongdoing and coming back to God. Where does this originate from? In the Old Testament, several characters like Job and, in the story of Jonah, the King of Nineveh wear sackcloth and ashes as a visible sign of turning back to God. The use of ashes is only recorded in the 10th and 11th centuries for admitting the penitent in readiness for baptism or for readmittance into the church at Easter. By the Middle Ages, the Season of Lent was seen not about getting ready to join the church but as a focus on Jesus' sacrifice for our sins and our renewed commitment to living the Christian life. It was at this time that the whole church, not just new or returning disciples, used Lent as a time to prepare for Easter. We are encouraged to prepare by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy word. I



would encourage us all to try and get realigned with God and use this time of getting ready to adjust our lives into God's way.

This year Mothering Sunday and British Summer Time coincide on the last day of March. This has two significant consequences, firstly it marks approximately the midpoint of Lent, so you still have three weeks of your Lenten observance; keep going - you will be just over half way to Easter. Secondly, if you are making breakfast in bed for Mum, you will have to remember to change your alarm clock and get up an hour early! It is sometimes all about the sacrifices we make for someone else that we love that is really important. Jesus leads the way in self-sacrifice and he points us back to God's love for us.

Rev. Martin Wood. The Rectory, Church Lane, Cheriton Bishop EX6 6HY 01647 24119 (Tuesday to Sunday) revwood163@gmail.com

SERVICES AT ST MARY'S CHERITON BISHOP

AND OTHER CHURCHES IN THE NORTH KENN MISSION COMMUNITY

March 2019

Sunday 3rd

9.30 Whitestone 9.30 Holcombe Burnell 11am Tedburn St Mary Pathfinder 3pm **Cheriton Bishop** 6pm

Wednesday 6th

10.30 Pathfinder

Sunday 10th

9.30 Holcombe Burnell 9.30 Whitestone 11am Cheriton Bishop 3pm Tedburn St Mary Pathfinder 3pm

Thursday 14th

10.30 Pathfinder

Sunday 17th

9.00 Tedburn St Mary 9.30 Cheriton Bishop 11am Whitestone Pathfinder 3pm 6pm Holcombe Burnell

Thursday 21st

10.30 Pathfinder

Sunday 24th Cheriton Bishop 8am Tedburn St Mary 9.30 11am Holcombe Burnell 3pm Pathfinder 3pm Whitestone 6pm Cheriton Bishop

Thursday 28th

10.30 Pathfinder

Sunday 31st 10.30 Whitestone Holy Communion

Mothering Sunday Team Service

We invite everyone, including children, to attend all of our services.

Please note that the Spalding Hall is open for the use of the toilets during service times.

Sunday before Lent Holy Communion Holy Communion Informal Worship Holy Communion **Evening Prayer**

Ash Wednesday Holy Communion

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Parish Communion

Family Service

United Service

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Evensong

Family Service

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Lent 3

Parish Communion

Lent 1

Lent 2

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BCP Communion Revd Prof Tim Gorringe Parish Communion Revd Martin Wood **Family Service** Tea and Fellowship Prayer and Fellowship

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Church News from the district

Churchwarden's Ramblings

Many thanks to the kind person who donated money towards the replacement of our sign board which had been damaged by the winter weather, we are most grateful for their generosity and now have a shiny new board.

The Lent course will be held on Wednesday evenings at Pathfinder Church starting on13th March and will run over 6 weeks. It will follow the Pilgrim Course looking at the Commandments; you don't have to be there for all of the sessions as each week can be treated singly. No need to book, just turn up, but if you would like help with transport please give me a call.

The Mothering Sunday service this year will be a Team event and will be held at 10.30am at Whitestone on Sunday 31st. If you would like a lift please give me a call.

We now have settled on Saturday 11th May for the church Coffee Morning and Plant Sale. As mentioned last month we would be grateful if you could sow a few extra seeds and donate the results to the sale.

Alan Greenslade Tel: 01647 24002

Keep Calm and Obey the Rules

Lent Course 2019

The Lent course will follow the Pilgrim Course looking at the Commandments. How should Christians behave and how should we live? It explores that question through one of the core texts of the Christian faith: the commandments. The course will run for six evenings on a Wednesday at 7.30pm at Pathfinder Church.

Date and Time	Theme
Wednesday 13th March at 7.30pm	Priorities
Wednesday 20th March at 7.30pm	Reverence
Wednesday 27th March at 7.30pm	Rest
Wednesday 3rd April at 7.30pm	Respect
Wednesday 10th April at 7.30pm	Righteousness
Wednesday 17th April at 7.30pm	Reliability

Holy Trinity, Yeoford

We look forward to welcoming Revd. Matthew Tregenza and Antonia this month. Please let me know if you would like to join a Lent Group this month, if there is enough interest there could be one in Yeoford.

Messy Church will be in the Village Hall on Saturday March 30th at 3-30. Everyone is very welcome.

Cafe Company on Mondays from 9-30 till 11-00am at the Church.

March Services: Sunday 10th March Family Service 10 am Sunday 24th

Sunday 24th March Holy Communion 9-30am

Carol Price Tel: 01647 24468

West Down Evangelical Chapel Services

Yeoford Road, Cheriton Bishop, EX6 6HG Telephone 01647 24264/24660

March 2019	11.00am	3.00pm
3rd	Morning Worship	Family Service with London City Mission
10th	Morning Worship	Family Service with Rev Maurice Harrison
17th	Morning Worship	Family Service with Mr Philip Symonds
24th	Morning Worship	Family Service with John and Jane Wibberley
31st	Morning Worship	Family Service with Rev David Cole

Prayer and Bible study meeting Monday evenings at 7.30pm On 18th David Hayman will be with us.

Friends and Neighbours meeting March 21st 2-4pm. Everyone welcome to join us for tea and chat



Job Vacancy - Community Care Manager

Acorn, a registered charity operating in the Teign Valley and the Cheriton Bishop area, has a vacancy arising for the post of Community Care Manager to commence in the summer 2019.

The role requires someone who is able to work constructively within our team and work compassionately with our elderly clients to ensure they access the social, emotional and practical support that Acorn can provide. In addition, the Community Care Manager will

need to signpost clients to other services where appropriate. The role involves working alongside our Office Manager, liaising with professionals at the GP surgery and our many supportive volunteers, and reporting to a Board of Trustees. The role is broad, varied and interesting and requires a dynamic, confident individual who is able to work on their own initiative.

The role is a part-time post of 17.5 hours per week (flexible hours) based at Christow Surgery and the annual pay scale is in the range of $\pounds 8,190 - \pounds 9,555$ per annum ($\pounds 9.00 - \pounds 10.50$ per hour).

Computer literacy is required with competence in word, excel and email, along with excellent interpersonal and communication skills. Must hold a valid driver's licence and be prepared to travel within Cheriton Bishop and the Teign Valley. A background in nursing/care-giving preferable but not essential.

For further details or an application form please contact: Jo Clunie, Chair of Trustees on 01392 491047 or email joclunie@btinternet.com

The Closing Date for applications is the 14th April 2019.

What's happening nearby...

A Night at the Opera

Saturday 6th April 2019

The Chagford Singers with the Dartmouth Orchestra bring you Puccini's Messa di Gloria and opera choruses from Verdi, Donizetti and much more.

Bring your friends and reserve the date for an evening of fun and verve. Jubilee Hall, Chagford. Doors open 7pm for 7.30. Tickets £12.50 (concessions £5 for under 18s and students) from Sally's, on the door and online from <u>thechagfordsingers.co.uk</u>

For more information please see our website or call Toria on 01647 221228

TEDBURN ST. MARY W.I.

On the 21st January, seven of our Members went along to a Meeting at Longdown Village Hall, along with a 100 other W.I. Ladies all eager to learn more about the filming of the epic story of "War Horse". Many of us will have read the book, seen the stage show, or the film, written by Michael Morpurgo. The inspiration for the film came from his listening to First World War Veterans' conversations in a Devon Pub. They spoke about the closeness, love and respect, between a man and his horse.

Paul Rendell, who has been a Dartmoor National Park Guide for over 20 years, told us about his conversations with Steven Spielberg, the Actors whom he met, and how he kept a close eye on the film set, revealing where some of the scenes were filmed, and how Joey and Arthur really did plough through that rocky field at Ditsworthy, Warren House!!! At our next Meeting, on March 5th, we will be welcoming: Clare Maudling who will be letting us know about the "Post-War Re-Building of Exeter", to which we are all very much looking forward.

We always welcome new members to our W.I. and, if you would like to join us, our meetings are always held at 7.30pm. – **EVERY FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH** – in the Tedburn St. Mary Village Hall - so please, just come along and join us

For any further information about us, please contact: Jean Wise (President) on: 01647 61101 or Jane Burrow (Secretary) on: 07814 659526 or Di Awcott, in Venny Tedburn on: 01363 773512



Latest update from Castle Drogo

Hi everyone

It is only a few weeks now until the castle reopens for the new season and we have been busy painting, plastering, moving collection items and getting ready to welcome everyone. The big day is Saturday 9 March and the castle is then open 7 days a week until the end of October. We are really looking forward to sharing the ongoing representation of the castle which will continue throughout the year as the final parts of the building conservation work completes.

For the past few years, we have had a second hand book shelf in the café which raises money for conservation projects at Castle Drogo. It is with great pleasure that I can announce that all monies raised this coming year will go towards restoration of the stained glass windows in the Chapel and replacement benches for the garden.

If you have any spare books (decent quality please!) please do drop them off with the visitor centre team. We especially would like children's books as they fly off the shelves as quick as we put them on! We would also like travel, gardening, and crime/thriller but would welcome all genres. If you have loads (i.e. 10 boxes) we may be able to help with collection too.

We are also looking for a couple of people to join the book team. The role is to check stock levels and display, and we would especially like help on Sundays. You can easily tie it in with other volunteering too so, if you have been thinking about being one of our brilliant storytellers in the castle, you can easily do both. Please get in touch if you would like to find out more.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the book shelves through donating books or buying books over the past few years. The biggest thanks must go to the brilliant team of volunteers who manage and organise the bookshelves and have been instrumental in making it such a success.

Daula

Community Engagement Officer, Castle Drogo 01647 434130, paula.clarke@nationaltrust.org.uk



Rural micro businesses - help shape future support programmes!

Devon County Council is looking to engage with rural micro businesses (fewer than 10 employees) and sole traders to find out what might be preventing them from boosting their productivity and what could help.

The 'Engaging Rural Micros' project initially aims to speak to over 100 micro businesses in Mid and North Devon, through short surveys, conversations, focus groups and other research.

The project findings will inform the design of a new trial to help prepare businesses to embrace development opportunities. Businesses involved in the research will be able to express an interest in taking part in the trial.

To take part in this research or find out more use the contacts below before 31st March:

- Email: Rio.Bayley@devon.gov.uk about taking part in surveys, business case studies, and focus groups.
- Call: 01392 380753 to chat to the team, or take part in a quick survey-style telephone conversation.



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As a long-serving troubadour of the folk and acoustic music scene, master songwriter and storyteller Steve Anightley has spent much of his life on the road, collecting songs, stories, anecdotes and observations - with the odd disaster along the way. Steve once again takes to England's highways and byways to present 'Roadworks' - a show which builds on the success of his sell-out 2018 solo tour 'Songs and Stories'. This is a strippedback, one-man show that's infused with wit, warmth and alchemy, beautifully illustrated by his trenchant songs of history, love and conscience. Anyone who's ever wondered what's its like to be a touring musician will love this rare insight into life on the road.

THURSDAY 4TH APRIL

TICKETS £25

including booking fee, available from www.higher-eggbeer.co.uk

Includes a meat or vegetarian curry from Baobab Cafe

Higher Eggbeer Farm Cheriton Bishop, Nr Exeter, EX6 6JQ Advance tickets only. Over 16s. All profits to go to Age Concern.

Obituary:

Alan Conridge (3rd Sep 1938 – 4th Feb 2019) Former Headmaster of Cheriton Bishop Primary School

It was with sadness I read of the death of Mr Alan Conridge in the newspaper this week. It seems he died peacefully on the 4th February.

Many of us will remember him as "Sir" when he was the Head Teacher at the primary school. I am not sure when he arrived but he was there in 1984 when I arrived in the village with my 3 sons who all were taught by him into the 90's. He was a kind gentleman who commanded respect from pupils and parents. At that time there were about 40 children in the school and along with his fellow teachers Miss Stanbury and Mrs Brimacombe, who was part time, it was a happy place. They achieved good results and I do not recall any child not wanting to go to school. He retired early and lived in Exmouth with his wife and family. Miss Stanbury has told me that they did lose touch so was as saddened to hear the news.

His funeral is on Monday 25th February at St Peter's Chapel, Exeter Crematorium at 12.30pm. All welcome to attend. Beverly Greenslade

A message from the Village Snow Warden and Road Warden.

The village has now taken delivery of a Village Salt Spreader. This will help the Snow Warden to try to keep the communal areas of the village free from snow and ice. We would also like to take the opportunity to remind members of the community that the salt in the Devon County Council yellow, grit/salt bins is for use on the public highway and pavements only.

If you require salt for use on private driveways and paths, salt is readily available in most garden centres, supermarkets, DIY stores and local convenience stores at low cost.

Phil Dicker and Amanda Vooght



Lost

A Black iPhone 7 in a black case was lost around the church area of Cheriton Bishop in late January. At the time the owner was visiting the church to try and trace his ancestry and has contacted the magazine on the off chance that someone may have found it. He is offering a reward for its return. If you would like his contact details please get in touch with the magazine <u>cheritonnews@gmail.com</u>.

WANTED:

Bits of unwanted lead for smelting to make bullets/balls for antique gun collection shooting. Preferably free but can consider purchase! Contact Paul on 01647 24405 or 0797483511