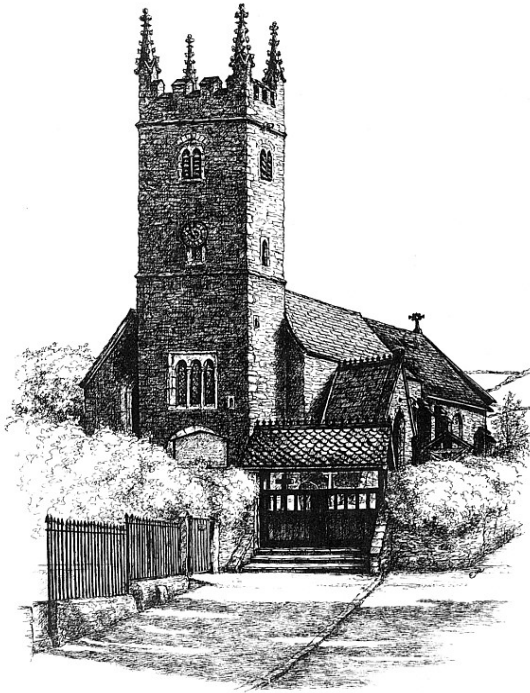


PARISH NEWS

April 2020



IDEFORD with LUTON,
ASHCOMBE,
OLCHARD, HESTOW,
IDEFORD COMBE
AND
HIGHER SANDYGATE

Good News!

The new bell ropes have arrived and are in the process of being hung. Unfortunately, all bell ringing, along with church services, has been cancelled for the time being. As soon as conditions improve we will be arranging a celebration of the installation of the ropes - so watch this space! There will also be a permanent display in the bell tower to acknowledge those who have supported us.

It would be lovely to find some new ringers to join us when bell ringing resumes, so if you have ever fancied having a go, this would be a great time to start. Contact David Aylmore on 01626 852259.



LUTON PLOUGH SUNDAY SERVICE

I would like to thank the Revd R Withnell and Revd Jane Frost for conducting our Plough Sunday Service, and also Mr N Gardner for playing the organ. My thanks also go to the members of the Haldon Team who supported us and also the farmers of Luton who took part in the service. This resulted in a lovely service enjoyed by all.

Thank you all who helped after the service with the refreshments in the Schoolroom.

Kath Vooght



April reflections from Revd Jane:

As I write, Spring is at full throttle here in Bishopsteignton. The garden is yielding a variety of promising shoots, some of which our dog clearly finds appetising and the green haze appearing mistily on the hedges and over some trees, hints at the potential for luxurious growth. As you read, the vegetation will have moved on but, no doubt, there will be plenty of re-creation in evidence in the next seasonal phase, as the roses bud up and the grass growth accelerates.

Experiencing this season in a new place has caused me, this year, more than usual, to see the world in a new way. This time last year, I drove a different car; our old dog was still a much-loved member of the Frost household; I was working as a Curate on a different Team; I lived in a very rural hamlet in the South Hams. I was a slightly different version of 'Revd Jane'...

Who do you think you are?

The popularity of the long-running BBC series and monthly magazine of that title indicate how fascinated some are by that question. Family History has become a popular hobby as people seek to explore their identity. The cult of celebrity and the ubiquitous use of social media are indicators of the desire to define one's self; to make one's mark – at least for now.

Who do you think you are?

With the onset of Dementia, a growing disease [dis-ease], many appear to lose a grip on their self-hood. People talk of the sufferer, as someone unfamiliar. For family members and friends, it can seem as if the original inhabitant of that particular body has 'left home': a challenging situation for all concerned.

Who am I?

When the modern theologian, John Drane, addressed this question in his recent book about Dementia, he concluded in the final chapter, whoever we are, 'that ultimately, the answer lies in the hands of God'. When exploring the issue of self-identity in general, he uses a striking phrase about us being held 'in the memories of God'. When we forget ourselves, God does not and cannot. Similarly Dietrich Bonhoeffer's conclusion in one of his poems was 'Whoever I am, Thou knowest God, I am thine!'

One of my favourite books in the Bible is the Old Testament book of the prophet, Isaiah. It yields a number of treasures not least chapter 43 verse 1 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.' There are many aspects of life experience – abuse, bereavement, broken relationship, redundancy among others which would seek to cheapen or damage self-identity. At such times, it's good to be able to turn to black and white reminders of who we are: Psalm 139 & the beginning of Ephesians chapter 1, are 2 other useful ports of call in a storm.

On a lighter note, once upon a time, a Frost family favourite was the children's film 'Madagascar 2'. In the film, there is a great moment where Marty the Zebra is stood in amongst a herd of zebras. His friend, Alex the Lion, is stood at the front of the herd and is looking for Marty. Alex starts by addressing this whole herd of zebras and after a while he sees Marty and says "You're one in a million, so can you please turn round so I can tell that to your face. That's right, gotcha. I see you in there, you, that's right you. 12th row, 203rd from the left. I see you Marty. I know it's you. You know what makes you special, these guys are white with black stripes, but you're black with white stripes. You're a dreamer Marty and always have been, you have great taste in music."

Whoever you are, may this prove to be an Easter-infused month in which we recognize our God-ordained identity, as the beloved in Christ, and appreciate the specialness of each other.

Ideford & Luton Church Rotas

Due to the temporary closure of our churches (see page 3), there are no church rotas this month. Hopefully our beautiful buildings will be open again before too long.

A message from our clergy team

As you may have heard, the Church of England has asked us to suspend public worship & close all churches until further notice. Making this announcement, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York said, 'Far from having to "shut up shop", the Church of England must face the challenge by becoming a radically different kind of church rooted in prayer and serving others.'

It is undoubtedly a blow at present not to be 'in community' in familiar ways. However, it's heart-lifting to see & hear of so many creative ways people are communicating being 'community' to & for each other. In John's gospel we read 'The light shines in the darkness & the darkness did not overcome it'. So, along with Churches Together in England, do burn a candle in your window at 7pm on a Sunday evening.

Additional support for one another

All the clergy team are available by phone and email to offer support:

Team Vicar, Jane on 01626 870288, e-mail revjanefrost@gmail.com

Team Rector, Roderick on 01626 779177, e-mail roderickwitnell@btinternet.com

Associate Priest, Sue 873807, e-mail sue.ast@btinternet.com

Technology options

We now have a presence on Facebook and Twitter so please do follow us. Other information will also be regularly posted on our team website at www.haldonteam.org.uk including 'signposting' to helpful material in this season.

The Diocesan website [Diocese of Exeter] will signpost you to recorded reflections & services. Exeter Cathedral's website will also carry material. There is also helpful 'nourishment' to be found on <http://www.workrestpray.com> & the 'Sacred Space' & 'Pray as you go' websites; also you can register on the following website for daily reflections from Richard Rohr, a Franciscan & a priest <https://cac.org/category/daily-meditations>.

www.churchofengland.org gives the latest coronavirus advice. Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer for each day that can be downloaded and printed off from this Church of England website.

Radio:

Monday -Friday	Daily Service	9.45am	Radio 4
Wednesday	Choral Evensong	3.30pm	Radio 3
Sunday	Bells on Sunday	5.43am	Radio 4
Sunday	Sunday Service	6.30am	Radio Devon
Sunday	Sunday Worship	8.10am	Radio 4
Sunday	Choral Evensong	3.00pm	Radio 3

TV:

Sunday	Songs of Praise	1.15pm	BBC1
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Other channels that also broadcast Christian material are:
TBN - Freeview Channel 65 or Sky Channel 582.

Church of England prayers for the Corona Virus season:

God of compassion, be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation. In their loneliness, be their consolation; in their anxiety, be their hope; in their darkness, be their light; through him who suffered alone on the cross, but reigns with you in glory, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Merciful God, we entrust to your unfailing and tender care, those who are ill or in pain, knowing that whenever danger threatens your everlasting arms are there to hold us safe. Comfort and heal them, and restore them to health and strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gracious God, give skill, sympathy and resilience to all who are caring for the sick, and your wisdom to those searching for a cure. Strengthen them with your Spirit, that through their work many will be restored to health; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

There may be some difficult times ahead for all of us in our Community. Your Parish Council will endeavour to keep you up-dated on developments and advice.

If you feel able to join the Team of Parish Councillors as Volunteers to help those who may be unwell and feeling vulnerable or who are self isolating, please give your details to Chairman, David Fox, Juliette, our Parish Clerk, or indeed any of the Councillors, your help will be greatly appreciated.

DAVID FOX	01626 859599
ANGIE CARTER-WOODWARD	01626 854898 or text 07766 266573
HELEN BELLAMY	01626 859557
JULIAN HULL	01626 354704
ANDY HOLDEN	07377 383637
JULIETTE THOMPSON	07731 145077

VOLUNTEERS

ALEX LOXTON	07774 727400
SARAH MASSON	07525 148260

Keeping connected with our neighbours

Here are just a couple of suggestions that have been made for keeping us all connected even though we can't all get together.

Pass the Light

At 7pm on Sunday evenings we will go outside and shine a light - see if we can pass the light around the village.

Jane Hill

Tea at 4

An idea I heard on the radio. It was suggested that everyone sit in their garden or on their doorstep at 4 o'clock every afternoon and have a cup of tea (as long as it isn't raining!) This is an opportunity to wave, smile, even talk to our neighbours doing the same, as well as any dog walkers or horse riders who may be going past at that time. We'll be out there with tea and a biscuit, keeping 2 metres away from anyone we see of course.

Janet Aylmore

Clap for our Carers

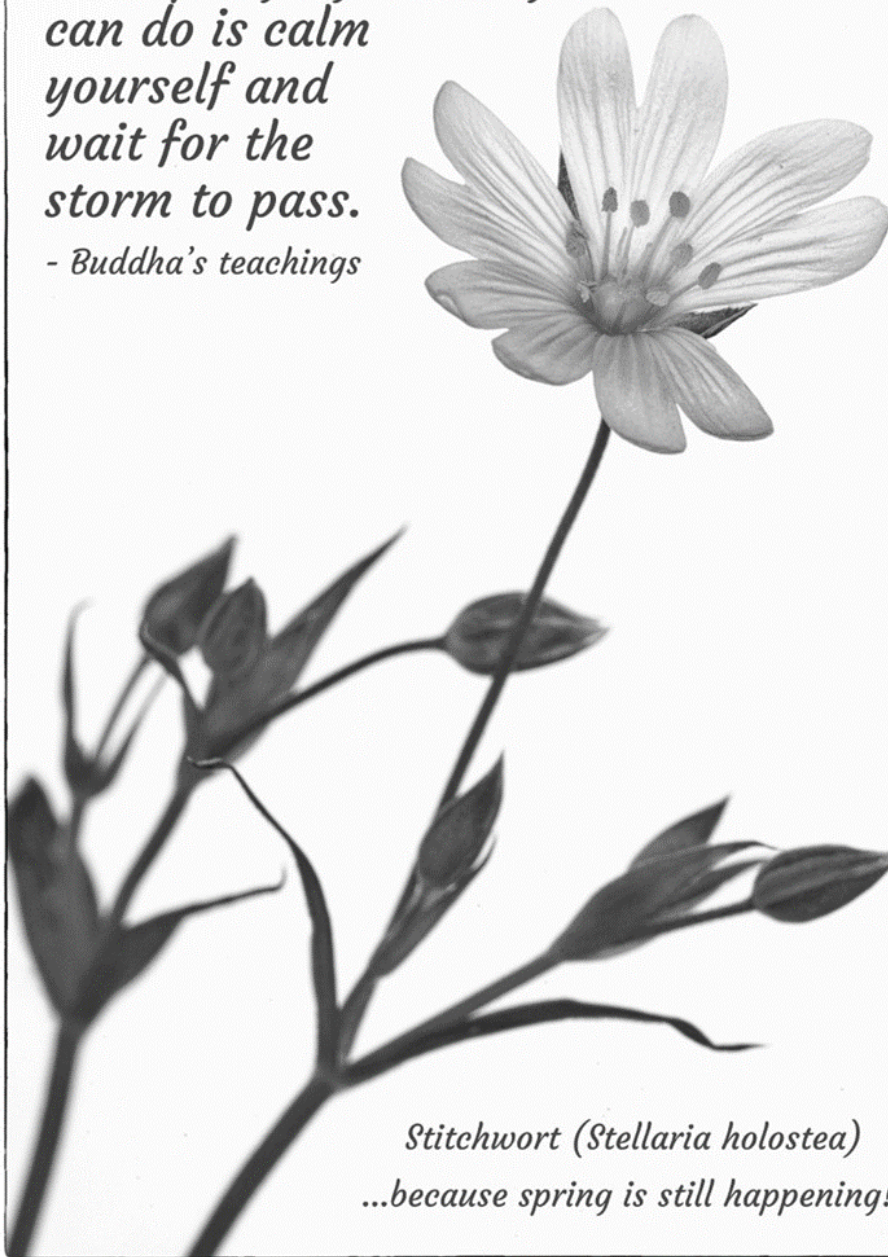
The Clap for our Carers campaign is asking for as many people as possible to clap their hands together on **Thursday 26th March at 8pm** to thank all doctors, nurses, carers, GPs, pharmacists and other NHS staff working hard to help those affected by the coronavirus. You can clap from your garden, your front door or a window to show your support.

During these difficult days it is important that we look out for each other. For someone who is isolating at home, a phone call could really make a difference to their day. Our Parish Council is organising a team of volunteers to help our community (see above for details) - if you can help them, please get in touch.

If you feel you need some help - either practical or emotional, please do contact a member of our clergy team (see page 3) or of our Parish Council (see above), or a neighbour - don't suffer in silence - it's important to talk.

*You can't calm the storm...
so stop trying. What you
can do is calm
yourself and
wait for the
storm to pass.*

- Buddha's teachings



*Stitchwort (Stellaria holostea)
...because spring is still happening!*

Thank you to Vicki Gardner for this reminder that all is not totally bleak.

Something to make you smile.....

These were all taken from genuine church notices.

- At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.
- The vicar would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.
- Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.
- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.



**Unfortunately the following events/meetings
have had to be cancelled or postponed
due to the Coronavirus outbreak.**

Tuesday Coffee Mornings

Ideford Short Mat Bowling on Tuesday evenings

Art Group

Ideford Parish Council Meeting

Bishopsteignton Parish Council Meetings

Bell Ringing Practice on Thursday evenings

Ideford Lunch Club

Bingo and Skittles at Ashcombe Village Club

Drop in Easter Family Craft event at St. John's, Bishopsteignton on April 2nd.

Ideford Annual Parish Meeting due to take place on Thursday April 9th in the Village Hall.

Community Breakfast in Ideford Village Hall on Saturday April 11th, raising funds for St. Mary's.

Village Hall AGM on Thursday April 16th is postponed.

Ideford Village VE Day 'Knees up' on Friday May 8th. Hopefully this event will be rescheduled for later in the year.

Ideford Village Hall Cream Tea on Sunday May 31st.

Other events/meetings listed in this issue of the Parish News are also likely to be cancelled or postponed, so please check before you travel.

Ideford Village Hall

Coronavirus precautions: The Ideford Village Hall Trustees will act in the best interest of the hall charity and try to provide a safe facility for the use of the community. They will follow common sense precautions which includes following the guidance of the Government and Public Health England websites and keep up to date with the ongoing situation. **As such all Hall events will be postponed until the 1st June 2020.** We will keep the Ideford Village Hall facebook page up to date and the parish newsletter updated where possible.

Village Hall diary of events for 2020

Thurs 16th April Village Hall AGM 7pm. POSTPONED.

Fri 8th May VE Day Family Knees up (Barn Dance) on the Millennium Green. 6-8pm. POSTPONED UNTIL LATER IN THE YEAR.

Sun 31st May Afternoon cream tea CANCELLED.

Sun 28th June Afternoon cream teas 2.30-5pm in the Hall

Sun 19th August Flower Festival in the Hall. Further details in the May newsletter.

Sat 3rd October 7-10pm Family Harvest Ho Down in the Hall

Sat 7th November Festive Quiz 7pm for 7.30pm in the Hall.

Sat 5th December Carol singing outside the Hall and Xmas tree light switch on.

There are spaces available for ad hoc or regular bookings in the hall (£6 per hour for residents, £10 per hour for non residents), please contact the bookings clerk at idefordhallbookings@yahoo.com or call 07810107679.

The Hall Committee are looking for new Trustees to join the team. If you are willing to be involved and can meet 3-4 times a year over a glass of wine to plan events and maintain our hall, please liaise with Rachel on 07810 107679 or rachelblake77@yahoo.co.uk

Millennium Green Tidy Up

Please come along at 10am on Saturday 18th April

to help with a big community clear up of our village green. The playground needs a good deep clean and hedges need tidying. Many hands make light work!

Please contact Becks on 07816 275273 to check if this is going ahead.



Ideford Village Hall Cream Tea

2.30pm until 5.00pm
28th June 2020

Come along for a delicious cream tea
Well behaved dogs will be welcome



Sunday July 19th - a date for your diary

On July 19th, Kath Mortimore will be hosting Cream Teas at Oaks Reach in Ideford, to raise money for Marie Curie. More details to follow nearer the time, but please put the date in your diary now.

Kath would like to thank Maureen for offering the use of her field for parking again this year.



PUBLIC NOTICE - RURAL SKIP SERVICE

IDEFORD

Saturday 11th July 2020, from 10:00am until 4:00pm

The Pound area

The following materials **CANNOT** be accepted (The Contractor's decision is final in deciding the volumes and types of material acceptable):

- Dead pets & animals
- Food waste
- Insulation materials
- Garden waste
- Roofing felt
- Tyres
- Vehicle batteries
- Sharps/clinical items
- Gas cylinders
- Toxic wastes
- Plastic window or door frames (with or without glass)
- Soil & Rubble (including tiles & sanitary ware)
- Hazardous waste (including fluorescent tubes)
- Oils & other liquids (including household chemicals)
- Plasterboard & asbestos
- Plastic pipes/guttering/facia etc
- Demolition & construction waste
- Bath or shower tray (plastic, fibreglass or composite)
- Shower screen (glass or plastic)
- Normal household recycling

This service is for bulky waste only. NO TRADE WASTE
Please do not deposit any waste at the site before the skip has arrived. For more information please contact your Parish Council or call the Recycling team on 01626 215838 or visit www.teignbridge.gov.uk/ruralskip

PLEASE NOTE: TV's, fridges and computer monitors are accepted.

DEVON LIBRARY SERVICE

Devon's libraries are now closed until further notice, and the Devon mobile library service has also been suspended.

eBooks, audiobooks and eMagazines can be accessed for free using your library card.

For further details visit:

www.devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/coronavirus-updates

IDEFORD SHORT MAT BOWLING

Due the ongoing situation with Coronavirus short mat bowling will be suspended until further notice. When things are back to normal we always welcome new members and play friendly games all year and some not too serious league games in the Teignbridge League . Club nights will be Tuesday 7-9pm. Please contact Jill McCord 859544.

BISHOPSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL

All BPC meetings, full council and committees, are cancelled for April. Regular business will continue as much as will allow using delegated remote decision-making. A contingency plan is in place, but parishioner patience is appreciated. Future meetings, from 4th May and beyond shall be considered as information emerges and an update provided on:

www.bishopsteignton-pc.gov.uk



Please could you be considerate when parking your car near to the junction of Town Farm Lane and Fore Street. Access and use of the area is becoming difficult for larger vehicles and may result in restricted access for emergency vehicles.

Please park with care and consideration.

Thank you

Ideford Parish Council

A Polite Notice from Ideford Parish Council

Please keep your dog under proper control.

Please ensure that your dog doesn't cause problems when out in the countryside.

Dog walkers need to be particularly careful at this time of year, when ground birds are nesting.

Thank you.



Dawlish Community Transport Service

Dawlish Community Transport is operating for urgent appointments only at the present time. If you need to contact them, please use the usual number (01626 888890) and leave a message - someone will get back to you. Normal service will resume as soon as possible.

Teignbridge Recycling and Waste Collections

Recycling centres are now closed until further notice following government guidelines during the Coronavirus outbreak (Covid-19).

The council are working hard to keep all collections on schedule. However, there may be disruption in the coming weeks due to reduced staff levels. Please check the website - teignbridge.gov.uk for up to date information.

WEBSITES AND SAT. NAV.

Haldon Team Website www.haldonteam.org.uk

Ideford Parish Website www.ideford-parish.co.uk

Church post codes for Sat Nav:

St John's, Luton TQ13 0BN

St Mary's, Ideford

St Nectan's, Ashcombe

TQ13 0BA

EX7 0QD

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

- Do you want to get things done in your local community?
- Are you worried about how cutbacks might affect your local services?
- Would you like to take a more active role within your community?

Then work in tandem with your local Parish Council. You could make a difference to your local community by becoming a Parish Councillor or by just working more closely together with them.

There are currently two vacancies on the Parish Council



Qualifications

A person is qualified to become a Parish Councillor if:

- They are a British subject, or a citizen of the Irish Republic or other Euro national and on the day, they are nominated as a candidate for election.
- They are over 18 and an elector and
- During the whole of the 12 months preceding their nomination day, or the day of the election, resided or had their principal place of work in the parish or within 3 miles of it.

Disqualifications

A person may not become a parish or town councillor if:

- They hold a paid office or other place of profit in the gift of the Council.
- They have been declared bankrupt in the past five years and have not repaid their debts.
- They have been convicted of a criminal offence and sentenced to not less than 3 months imprisonment (including any suspended sentence) within the past 5 years.

If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, you can contact the Parish Clerk on 07731 145077, email idefordclerk@hotmail.co.uk or contact any member of the Parish Council to express your interest.



Do you shop online for clothes, food, presents?

Do you book holidays, flights or accommodation online?

Do you book tickets for train/coach journeys, shows/gigs or sporting events online?

Would you like to raise money for Ideford Church just by shopping online?

If the answer to any of these questions is YES - then please start using **Easyfundraising!** There's no catch and your info isn't passed on anywhere else. The bigger the purchase, like a holiday or a large household item, the more money is donated. Our largest donation was £73.44 from Expedia (an online travel company). Just download the app onto your phone, tablet or laptop. Register that you want to raise money for 'Ideford Church', and then search for the Retailer you want to spend money with. If they donate money to Charities through EF (for tax purposes) it will take you straight to their website. Easy-peasy!

Please start using **Easyfundraising** when buying stuff online.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/idefordchurch/>

*We appreciate that you won't be booking holidays or shows at the present time,
but you might be shopping on line*

HALDON TEAM MINISTRY

Team Rector	The Rev'd Roderick Withnell roderickwithnell@btinternet.com	01626 779177 Rest Day: Friday
Team Vicar	The Rev'd Jane Frost revjanefrost@gmail.com	01626 870288 Rest Day: Thursday

PARISH DIRECTORY

Church Wardens	Ashcombe	Mrs C Conachie Mr Ralph Rayner	864036
	Ideford	Position Vacant	
	Luton	Miss K Vooght Mr J Reddaway	775426 775218
PCC Secretary	Ideford	Mrs Liz Rice lizrice890@icloud.com	
	Ashcombe	Eleanor Rayner ninirayner@yahoo.co.uk	
Devon County Councillor		Ron Peart	362260
Teignbridge District Councillors		Beryl Austen Ron Peart	352532 362260
Ideford Parish Council			
	Chairman	Cllr David Fox	859599
	Clerk	Juliette Thompson idefordclerk@hotmail.co.uk	07731 145077
Ideford Village Hall			
	Chairman & Deputy Booking Clerk	Rachel Blake rachelblake77@yahoo.co.uk	07810 107679
	Booking Clerk	Angela Fox idefordhallbookings@yahoo.com	859599
Ideford Millennium Green			
	Chairman	Jane Hill	07871 103235
	Booking Clerk	Kevin & Norma Lovell	859585
Ideford Social Group Secretary		Enid Vooght	775291
Ideford Bell Ringers		David Aylmore	852259
Ideford short Mat Bowling Club		Jill McCord	859544
Parish Newsletter Editor		Janet Aylmore	852259
Parish Footpath Warden		David Aylmore	852259
CAD Community Worker		Bob Bigland	203050
Report Potholes & Overgrown Hedges on Boundaries		DCC Highways (potholes also at www.gov.uk/report-pothole/devon)	0345 155 1004
Report Power Cuts or damage to Electricity Power Lines & Substations			105
Teignbridge District Council Emergency Line (out of hours)			01395 516854
Samaritans	116123	Age UK Devon	0333 241 2340
Environment Hotline	0800 328 6402	C.A.B.	03444 111444
NHS non-emergency	111	Crimestoppers	0800 555111
General Police enquiries	101	EMERGENCY	999
PCSO Saul Bunce , e-mail: saul.bunce@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk			
Neighbourhood Beat Manager, PC Rob Harvey , e-mail: robert.harvey@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk			

Items for inclusion in the **May Newsletter** should be sent to:

Janet Aylmore (janetaylmore@hotmail.com)

by **Wednesday, April 15th** please.

This is also the deadline for items for the website to lesley@barleywebs.co.uk