

Dear Friends,

Last month I shared a poem I'd found helpful regarding the mystery of Easter, by a Benedictine monk, Ralph Wright.

I've just come across another, this time by a Methodist Local Preacher in the Exeter Coast and Country Circuit, Ronald Dingwall,

**'God's Perspective'**

Going through the world, each day we see or hear things that make us despair,  
One will make us weep aloud, another cry out in sheer frustration and anger,  
Doesn't God care about His world, doesn't He know what is going on?  
'Surely, we say, our all-knowing, loving God must be fully aware?  
Perhaps He doesn't see the depths of human misery, or worse,  
Even, understand the agony of His most precious, unique creation,  
Remote as He is from our violent, vicious, sinful,  
Selfish, stubborn, stupid, silent, sightless, sacrilegious, soulless world,  
Perhaps? But then we remember He really cares  
Even more than we can know,  
Cares for this broken world,  
To which He came,  
In Jesus Christ,  
Victor, at  
Easter.

With love,  
Stephen.

**LUTON ALTAR FLOWERS AND BRASS CLEANING**

April	Enid Vooght
May	Liz Wright

**IDEFORD CHURCH FLOWERS**

April 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Flowers
April 17 <sup>th</sup> and 24 <sup>th</sup>	Norma Lovell
May 1 <sup>st</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup>	Kath Mortimore

**IDEFORD CHURCH KEY ROTA**

April	Tim & Amanda (Saffron House)
May	Liz (Rook Hayes)

## SERVICES FOR APRIL 2016

### Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup>

9.00am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

10.30am Joint Worship

11.15am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

6.30pm, *Rev'd Stephen West*

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Holy Communion (said)

Methodist Church

Parish Communion

Evensong

Bishopsteignton

Bishopsteignton

Ideford

Bishopsteignton

### Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup>

10.00am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

Holy Communion

Bishopsteignton

### Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup>

9.00am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Holy Communion (said BCP)

Bishopsteignton

10.00am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

Village Worship

Ideford

10.30am, *Rev'd Helen Bays*

Holy Communion (sung)

Bishopsteignton

11.15am, *Ruth Sewell*

Family Service

Ashcombe

6.30pm, *Rev'd Roderick Withnell*

Evensong

Luton

### Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup>

10.00am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

Holy Communion (said)

Bishopsteignton

### Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup>

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

9.00am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

Holy Communion (said)

Bishopsteignton

11.00am *Bishop Sarah*

*Deanery Service*

*Christow Village Hall*

*(no other mid-morning services in the deanery)*

### Wednesday April 20<sup>th</sup>

10.00am, *Rev'd Roderick Withnell*

Holy Communion (said)

Bishopsteignton

### Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup>

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

9.00am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

Holy Communion (said)

Bishopsteignton

10.30am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

Parish Communion (sung)

Bishopsteignton

11.15am, *Helena Cermakova*

Parish Communion

Ashcombe

6.30pm

Evensong

Ideford

### Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup>

10.00am, *Rev'd Stephen West*

Holy Communion (said)

Bishopsteignton

***Please Note - Service Leaders are subject to change.***

## IDEFORD READINGS FOR APRIL

	Reading	Readers	Sidesmen
April 3rd	Acts 5.27-32	Alan Wooderson	Alan Wooderson
	John 20.19-end	Vanessa Morby	Vanessa Morby
April 10th	Acts 9.1-6	to be arranged	Sara & helpers
	John 21.1-19		
April 17th	<i>No service at Ideford today</i>		
April 24th	Acts 11.1-18	Barry Mohan	Barry Mohan
	John 13.31-35	Jill Turner	Jill Turner

## SUNDAY 10TH APRIL

The Parochial Church Council would like to invite you to attend our morning service in Ideford Church at 10am on Sunday April 10th.

Cake and coffee will be available to enjoy.

After the service the Annual Meeting of Parishioners will take place, during which the Church Wardens will be elected. This meeting will be followed by the Annual Parochial Church Council meeting.

# Coming Soon!

## Community Public Access Defibrillator

### Every little donation helps

<https://communityheartbeat.charitycheckout.co.uk/Ideford>

Once installed we aim to hold a free training and awareness event for all

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - Regular Events**

### **TUESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS**

April 5 Ann Rigby-Jones, 1 Town Farm Court, Ideford  
April 12 Kathleen Mortimore, Oaks Reach, Ideford  
April 19 Angela Fox, Well Barn, Olchard  
April 26 Ann Rigby-Jones, 1 Town Farm Court, Ideford

### **IDEFORD SHORT MAT BOWLING**

*Tuesdays and Sundays 7.00pm in Ideford Village hall.*  
New members welcome. **Please Note the new time of 7.00pm**

### **ART GROUP**

*Thursdays from 6.30 - 8.00pm*  
Adults - £5.00 per session, 16 and under - £3.50 per session.  
More information from Angie on 01626 854898.

### **IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

*Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 6.30pm - Village Hall, Ideford.*  
*Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016 - Annual Parish Meeting (see page 6)*  
All Parishioners are invited and welcome to attend.

### **BISHOPSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Meetings are held at 7.30pm at The Community Centre, Shute Hill  
*April 4<sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting*  
*April 18<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm - Planning Meeting*

### **BELL RINGING PRACTICE**

*Practices normally in Ideford Church on Thursday evenings from 7.30pm until 9.00pm,*  
*Please contact Ann Rigby-Jones (852344) or Martin Sampson (853391) for more*  
*information.*

### **IDEFORD SOCIAL GROUP**

*Tuesday March 8<sup>th</sup>*  
There will be no regular monthly meetings owing to lack of numbers but the Luncheon Club will continue as usual. *More information from Enid Vooght 775291, Alicia Normand 773908 or Kath Mortimore 853394.*

### **POLICE SURGERY**

**Sat. April 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Sat. May 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Sat. June 11<sup>th</sup>**

*Ideford Village Hall from 9.30am until 10.30am.*

*With Colin Rider, Police Community Support Officer for Ideford.*  
*(Contact details in Website Directory)*

## Other Events



### **CONCERT AT LUTON CHURCH**

**SATURDAY 9TH APRIL. 7.30PM for 8pm start**

**Music from the Good Company Singers  
and other local talent.**

**Wine and Cheese nibbles.**

**Tickets £5**

**available from Sue Harvey, Jane Thomas - or at door.**

## **SAVE THE DATE**

**21st May 2016**

### **'IDEFORD GREENFEAST'**

*A day and evening of revelry and fun on the Millennium Green*

**A Fun Run with two routes for different abilities,  
Children's Games,**

**Two course meal followed by Music in the evening.**

*Tickets available early May*

*Watch this space for more information.  
or contact Lyn Edwards On 07776 111613*



## Annual Parish Meeting

Wednesday, 20 April 2016 at 6.30pm  
Village Hall, Church Road, Ideford

Come and hear your County and District Councillors, Parish Council, organisations and charities within the village report on their activities during the year.

Have an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback to all those groups.

Listen to the updates on the project to provide Superfast Broadband for Ideford, to provide a Community Public Access Defibrillator and hear what is being done with the Parish Plan Action List

Hope to see you there ...



The Queen's official 90th birthday will be celebrated by towns & villages all across Great Britain by holding events and street parties. Ideford Parish Council would like to know if there would be any interest in holding an event in the Parish on Sunday 12 Jun 16, to mark the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty the Queen.

***Have you got any ideas?  
Would you like to be involved?***

Contact one of your Councillors, or come along to a Parish Council Meeting on 2nd March 2016 or 6th April 2016 or email the Parish Council at [idefordclerk@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:idefordclerk@hotmail.co.uk)



**SAVE THE DATE**

**Sunday 3rd July 2016**

# **Humber Country Fayre & Vintage Rally**

**Book now for stalls!**

Contact The Old Workshop 01626 773606

[oldworkshopinfo@gmail.com](mailto:oldworkshopinfo@gmail.com)

**All Vintage Vehicles** welcome,

please contact Janice Vooght 01626 774690

In aid of Rowcroft Hospice & Coastal Watch

## **IDEFORD 100 CLUB**

*The lucky winners of the draw:*

**FEBRUARY**

£20 Paul Holmes

£10 Liz Hill

£5 Tom Hill

**MARCH**

Bev and Dave

Roz Brown

Sally Tyler



*A big thank you to all members for raising funds for St Mary's Church, Ideford*

**JUST A FEW PLACES FOR NEW MEMBERS - YOU DO HAVE TO BE IN TO WIN!**

*Membership subscriptions of £10 per ticket for a year of chances for 2016 - 2017 due NOW.*

*Subscriptions please to Carrie Morgan, 3 Higher Colleybrook or  
Vanessa Morby, St Mary's church.*

*Let me know if you want me to collect your subscription:*

[carrie.morgan@btopenworld.com](mailto:carrie.morgan@btopenworld.com)

## **Discussing the way forward for St Mary's and St John's.**

Over 25 people gathered at the School Room in Luton on 8th March in response to the PCCs consultation event on future uses for our 2 beautiful churches, and ways to develop the patterns of worship that will attract newcomers to formal church events and services, as well as appealing to those who no longer attend but who clearly have not lost their faith and beliefs. At the conclusion of the meeting it was agreed that as well as reporting the suggestions that emerged to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on 10th April, it would also be appropriate to engage with all residents across the parish by including this short article in the Parish News . . .

The current PCC are keen to develop the use of both church buildings as community resources as well as centres of worship. There has been a gradual decline in the number of regular attenders at services and in particular, there is a lack of engagement with those who have more recently moved in to the villages. Contributions from the meeting demonstrate the real enthusiasm to strive to improve the uses of our churches and to develop innovative sorts of worship. Below is just a selection of ideas. The full report will be presented at the APCM and it will be for the newly elected PCC to harness the obvious enthusiasm.

### **Suggestions on how to increase the use of the church buildings**

- Heat the church so that it is comfortable to attend services.
- Publicize the church/school room locally for community usage.
- Encourage School trips/history and art visits, and develop the churchyards as environmental projects for nature conservation.
- Have more concerts, exhibitions and encourage more weddings/blessings.
- Have a 'silver lining' type older peoples' service/social event advertised across the team on a regular basis, develop a cafe church.

### **Suggestions of ways to increase attendance at services and re-engage with those who previously were regular attenders**

- Update and modernise service pattern and look at midweek services and/or at different times of day such as late afternoon.
- Have less services (quarterly in Luton) but have more social gatherings.
- Personally ask previous attendees why they no longer attend, i.e. pastoral visit from someone not related or connected to the individual in question.
- Have a welcome pack from the churches (to include information about the Team of churches) for new families.
- Offer transport to service for those struggling with mobility.



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**Suggestions to change the pattern and number of services held in both churches**

- More joint services between St Marys and St Johns.
- Mix of formal and informal services across the Team with more 'Village Worship' style services.
- Maintain, support and develop the 'messy church' across the team.

**Suggestions as to how we encourage younger families following on from some success with the Messy Church initiative.**

- Modernize services and make them real to our lives.
- Services with theme ...teddies, photos, pets, etc.
- More 'messy church'.

You all have a chance to influence our churches, so why not come along and experience our fellowship, offer to help in a small way, come and listen at the APCM

Alan Wooderson (Churchwarden)

**GOOD NEWS FROM THE INLAND REVENUE!**

It's not often that we have good news from HM Revenue and Customs, but from 6th April this is the case for churches claiming Gift Aid on the Small Donations Scheme. (This is the scheme whereby for every £1 gift aided HMRC will add a further 25p). After a couple of years of discussion with HMRC, the Church of England has managed to convince them, and we can now claim Gift Aid on up to £8000 of cash donations received each year. All donations in cash, whether received during services, left by visitors in the wall-safe, or received outside the building, will be eligible under this scheme.

It is therefore no longer necessary for those attending services at our church who wish to gift aid their donation of cash to place it in a gift aid envelope (donations by cheque will still need to be placed in a gift aid envelope).

We are very grateful for your donations, which are used to ensure that our church in Ideford remains open and available for your use.

*Frances Tilley*  
*Treasurer, Ideford PCC*

## **A MESSAGE FROM PCSO COLIN RIDER**

A growing area of crime is on-line and telephone fraud and "scams". This type of crime is many and varied and I'll be giving details over the next few months about what it entails and how to avoid being a victim.

### **1 - Computer Software Service Fraud.**

Computer Software Service Fraud, also known as the Microsoft Tech Scam, relates to predominantly Indian call centres cold calling victims claiming to be from legitimate businesses, such as Microsoft. The caller states that there is an issue with the victim's computer, which they say they will fix for a fee.

Whilst typical losses are around £200, there have been instances of some victims being subjected to repeat victimisation leading to large losses, in one instance more than £70,000. This may include the compromise of online banking details, installation of malware including computer viruses, and obtaining personal identifiable information.

The National Fraud Investigation Bureau is undertaking enquiries around a number of alleged companies who are exploiting victims using this method. One of these companies, claiming to be called Ask PC Experts, regularly changes its phone numbers and business name.

Detective Inspector Claire Stalley, from the Serious and Organised Crime Unit, said: "You will never be contacted by phone by Microsoft or your internet provider stating your computer has been compromised and for a fee it can be fixed". "Never pass your bank details to anyone who cold calls or let someone have control of your computer remotely - it will be a scam."

Fraud and potential scams can be reported to Action Fraud, the National Fraud and Cyber Crime Reporting Centre, on the Action fraud website or by calling 0300 123 2040.

### **SOME DOs and DON'Ts.**

#### **DO:**

- Use a credit card rather than a debit card to buy goods on line.
- Ignore anyone who calls with a council rebate. If you are due a rebate, the council will write not 'phone.
- Ignore callers selling home security.
- Ignore the caller from Microsoft who offers to fix your computer.
- Check your bank website if it appears different from usual. If in doubt, contact the bank.

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**DON'T:**

- Give bank details to any one over the telephone or get involved with helping the police or bank solve a fraud crime that involves you giving up bank details or moving cash from one account to another. Police or banks would never ask this.
- Believe system failures like PayPal is down.
- Respond to a letter saying you have won money or prizes in a competition you know nothing about.
- Send money via money transfer to someone you don't know.
- Open attachments or links unless you know who has sent them.

**2 - Credit and debit card fraud.**

**Protecting your card details is important.**

Card fraud includes the use of stolen cards to make direct purchases and the use of compromised card details to buy items over the phone or via the internet, in 'Card Not Present' or CNP fraud.

- Do not write your PIN number down or disclose it to other people.
- Dispose of statements or slips which contain your card details securely by shredding with a cross cut (confetti) shredder.
- Do not let others see your PIN number - cover your hand when entering it in any machine.
- Check your statements regularly, including low value transactions.
- Notify your card company immediately if you suspect fraud.
- Use a CREDIT card in preference to a DEBIT card, especially if you are not sure about the location at which you are using the card.
- Debit cards are linked to your bank account and fraud can result in you becoming overdrawn and not able to withdraw cash.
- Credit Card companies are very good at spotting unusual transaction patterns.

**Loan fraud**

Beware: There is a growing trend where people are being cold called on their home phone or mobile and offered quick, easy and unsecured loans. If it's too good to be true, it probably is a scam. The following example is typical:

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. . . You search the internet for a small loan **e.g.** £1,500 and enter relevant details **e.g.** the amount and your contact telephone number. A fraudster calls claiming to be from a legitimate loan company and offers you the loan. They obtained all your relevant details either through the details you entered when searching for a loan on the internet or by some other means. They sound professional and believable. However, the fraudster tells you that before the loan can be paid into your account, you need to pay them a one off fee. They request payment using cash vouchers - **e.g.** UKASH or 3V.

You purchase the voucher (**e.g.** for £92 and tell the fraudster the voucher number) who then immediately cashes it. A short time later - as little as 1 hour - the fraudster calls again stating that tax on the loan needs to be paid before the loan can be released. Again, you are requested to obtain a cash voucher (**e.g.** for £145). You may be informed that once this tax is paid the loan amount and the tax (in this example £1500 + £145) can then be paid immediately into your account. A short time later (in this example the following day) you receive another phone call from "Head of Finance" stating the bank would not release the sum of £1645 and that the amount had to be a round figure. Therefore, they require a further cash sum (**e.g.** a UKASH voucher) of £155 to make it £1800 and the £300 will be refunded. Still no money is paid into your account. You receive a further phone call stating that the money is locked in the bank and to release it a further cash voucher of £150 needs to be paid. You pay this. Again, no money goes into your account. The following day you receive yet another phone call and told that the bank will not release the funds and the only way to receive it is to obtain a cash voucher for £250 so that a solicitor can deliver the money in person. You realise this is a fraud and that you will never receive any money. In this instance the victim paid £542 to the fraudster and received nothing in return.

#### **Prevention Advice**

- If you are considering taking out a loan, then use a reputable company.
- If the company is based on the internet, research it on the internet. Find out what other people think.
- If necessary, visit the loan company in their offices (although be aware that fraudsters can use serviced offices).
- **NEVER** send money upfront in order to receive a loan and be particularly wary if you are asked to use cash vouchers.

#### **USEFUL CONTACTS:**

<https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/crime-prevention/your-money/fraud/>

ACTIONFRAUD

0300 123 2040

CRIMESTOPPERS: 0800 555 111

TRADING STANDARDS: 01392 381381

PCSO Colin Rider (contact details in Website Directory)

## CAN YOU HELP?

The Village Hall Committee are looking for a new Booking Clerk.

If you think you can help or, for more information of what is involved, please contact:

Tony Sharland: 01626 859397 or  
Grace Macdowall: 07878 689873.



Check out the newly refurbished

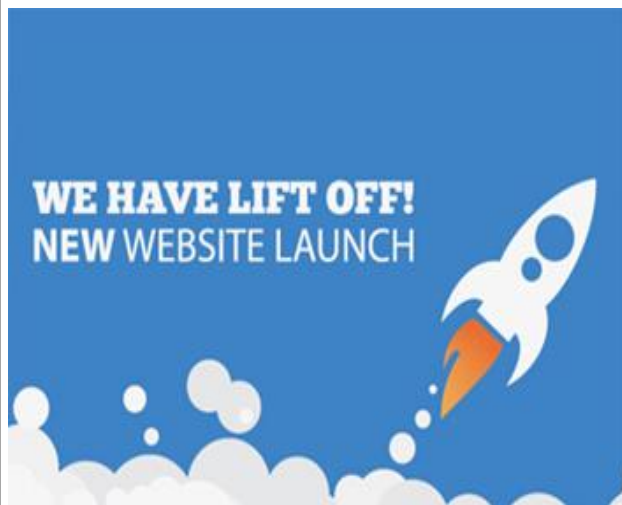
[www.ideford-parish.co.uk](http://www.ideford-parish.co.uk)

If you have any feedback or would like to add details of your activity, club, organisation or event or if you would like to post some photographs from in and around the Parish, please contact the webmaster via

[lesley@barleywebs.co.uk](mailto:lesley@barleywebs.co.uk)

For any comments about the Parish Council pages, please contact the Parish Clerk via

[idefordclerk@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:idefordclerk@hotmail.co.uk)



## TOUR OF BRITAIN RETURNS TO DEVON IN SEPTEMBER

Devon County Council (DCC) will host Stage Six of The Tour of Britain, on Friday 9th September.

The world's top cycling teams and riders, including Sir Bradley Wiggins, will race from Sidmouth on the East Devon coast to the summit of Haytor on Dartmoor.

Stage six will take in Sidmouth, Ottery St Mary, Honiton, Willand, Tiverton, Crediton, Moretonhampstead, Haldon Forest, and Chudleigh before climbing from Bovey Tracey to the only summit finish of The Tour.

At 152.7 km long and with 3,101 metres of climbs, the route is almost a repeat of the thrilling 2013 stage. That year almost 250,000 spectators lined the county's roads to help boost the local economy by £5.9m.

## OUR CHURCHWARDEN'S RECIPE FOR APRIL

### Easter Biscuits

#### Ingredients:

- 175gms sifted plain flour
- 50gms rice flour
- 100gms softened butter
- 100gms caster sugar
- 2 egg yolks
- 75gms currants
- 1 tbsp. brandy
- 1 tsp mixed spice
- $\frac{1}{2}$  tbsp. milk



For the topping 2 egg whites lightly beaten and 2 tbsp. caster sugar.

#### Method:

- Pre heat oven to 180 C and grease 2 large baking sheets.
- Mix together flour, rice flour, and mixed spice.
- Beat together butter and sugar in another bowl until light and fluffy and then beat in the egg yolks one at a time. Add the currants, flour mixture, brandy and milk and mix to a firm dough.
- Turn onto a floured surface and roll the dough to approx.  $\frac{1}{2}$  cm thickness. Using a cutter, the size of your choice, cut out the biscuits and put on the pre-greased baking sheets.
- Brush with egg white and drench with caster sugar.
- Put in the oven for 15 to 20 mins until a pale golden colour. Leave to cool for a few mins and then remove from the baking trays and place on a wire rack.
- This is a traditional West-country recipe and bakers in the past have added either the herb tansy or lemon peel as the bitter taste is a reminder of Christ's suffering on the Cross.

### WEBSITES AND SAT. NAV.

Haldon Team Website      [www.haldonteam.org.uk](http://www.haldonteam.org.uk)  
Ideford Parish Website      [www.ideford-parish.co.uk](http://www.ideford-parish.co.uk)

#### Church post codes for Sat Nav:

St Mary's, Ideford	TQ13 0BA
St John's, Luton	TQ13 0BN
St Nectan's, Ashcombe	EX7 0QD

## ASHCOMBE VILLAGE CLUB

Opening times:      Tuesday, Thursday      7.30pm -11pm.  
                                 Friday      7.30pm - Midnight.  
                                 3rd Saturday of the month      7.30pm - 11pm  
                                 Sunday      1pm - 5pm.

Skittles      Tuesday & Thursday.  
Meat Bingo      1st Wednesday of the month.  
Early Doors      1st Friday of the month.

Membership:      Single £10, Couple £15.

See website for further details: [www.ashcombe-villageclub.co.uk](http://www.ashcombe-villageclub.co.uk)



## CHUDLEIGH LIBRARY

Monday	10.00am - 1.00pm	Tuesday	3.00pm - 6.00pm
Wednesday	10.00am - 1.00pm	Thursday	Closed
Friday	2.00pm - 5.00pm	Saturday	10.00am - 1.00pm

## MOBILE LIBRARY

April 13<sup>th</sup>

Ideford (The Pound)	15.45 - 16.15
Luton (Church Street)	16.25 - 16.45

## Tunes for Toddlers

Come and listen to stories, make simple things to tie in with the stories and sing songs.  
Every Thursday during term time, 10.30am - 11.30am.

No need to book - just turn up!

## IDEFORD VILLAGE TRANSPORT TIMETABLE

<b>Ring &amp; Ride</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Fares (return)</b>
Monday	Newton Abbot (will stop at Sainsbury's)	£4.25
Wednesday	Newton Abbot (will stop at Tesco)	£4.25
Thursday	Teignmouth	£2.75

### ***How to make a Ring & Ride Journey***

- Choose which day you wish to travel.
- Telephone 01626 888777 between 9am-3pm, Monday to Friday, answer phone service available at all times.
- Please be ready by 9.30am.
- Be ready at 1.00pm to be collected at the 'Boarding Point' for your journey home.
- Please cancel booking if you are not able to travel.
- Please wear seat belts at all times.

Dawlish Community Transport Service operates in the area to provide transport for all ages, whether they are disabled, frail, infirm or not... in fact, anyone wishing to use this service will be very welcomed. All our vehicles are adapted to take wheelchair seated passengers, have lowered steps and tail lifts.

For more information, please telephone 01626 888890