

Luppitt Packet



September 2017

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Around the Parish



There are some items of interest that there is not room for in this Packet so -

Congratulations to Jean Gardner on being the overall winner of the Luppitt Flower Show. See page 25.

2018 LUPPITT CALENDAR NOW ON SALE £6.25 - ALL PROFITS TO THE DEVON AIR AMBULANCE. AVAILABLE FROM THE FRIDAY MARKET OR CONTACT JACKY ON 07535 478390 TO RESERVE YOUR COPY. Lovely photos of Luppitt children.

HARVEST SUPPER

The Harvest Supper will be held on Monday 25th September 2017 at the Village Hall, 7-30 for 7-45pm.

Followed by Sale of Produce for Church Funds.

If you wish to have a drink with your meal, please bring it will you together with your glasses.

ADULTS £8-00P CHILDREN £4-00

Please let me know if you wish to come by Friday 22nd September 2017.

Jean Hooper Tele 01404892969.

Devon Open Studio Invitation

You are invited to join us for refreshments on Thursday 14th September between 5.30 and 7.00 at the Bee Hive Honiton.

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Please see page 28 for more studios.

By the way - Lee Comley is still working in Luppitt! Despite moving house. I apologise for giving the impression that he wasn't!

Have a good month
Lindsey Dalgety

LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk's report of a Meeting of Luppitt Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Tuesday, 4 July 2017 at 8 pm

Present: Cllrs John Thorne, David Barlow, Paul Prettejohn, Brian Pulman, Andrew Tucker, David Key (EDDC), Iain Chubb (DCC and EDDC), Rosalind Buxton (clerk)

Receive apologies for absence

Cllrs Gavin Brake (Vice-Chairman), Tom Nancarrow, PCSO Anning 30012

Minutes of previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 6 June 2017, were unanimously agreed and signed as a correct record of that meeting (proposed by Cllr Pulman and seconded by Cllr Tucker).

Declaration of Interest

Cllr Tucker declared an interest in item 2.1.3 (planning application) as his cows sometimes graze there and items 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 (Shelf Lane and Highway Community Enhancement Fund) as he has provided a quote and will be carrying out the work

Review of Register of Interest forms

There were no alterations to the Register of Interest forms for those Parish Councillors present.

Cllr Thorne welcomed the new County Councillor, Iain Chubb, to the meeting. Cllr Chubb said that he is busy getting to grips with the new work. He is particularly interested in Highways and recognises the problems experienced by many parishes in his area. He has a large area to cover and hopes to attend Parish Council meetings regularly although understandably he will be unable to attend every single Parish Council meeting. He himself has had a trailer stolen and warned everyone to be vigilant of their property.

PLANNING

Applications (for comment, support or objection)

17/1330/FUL and 17/1331/LBC – Rolleshayes Farm, Wick, Honiton, EX14 4TY – creation of new window opening and window in south-east gable at first floor; raise height of existing chimneys at north-east and north-west gable ends by adding 900 mm chimney pot, insert additional brick course to north-west gable chimney (amended plans)

17/1399/FUL – Glebe Cottage, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4RY – increase depth of existing window to side elevation at first floor level and install a plain glass Juliet balcony

17/1180/LBC – Mountstephens Farm, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4SU – convert existing barn into ancillary accommodation; alterations to eaves level and render walls on east elevation; external alterations to include the replacement of two doors with windows, replacement door and convert existing window to door; reconfigure 2 no rooflights and introduce a new rooflight, replace guttering and downpipes; internal works to include creation of opening in existing partition wall, construct new partition wall to create a wet room, insert ceilings and alteration to floor levels

The Parish Council has no objections to these applications.

Progress on planning application for slurry lagoon at Higher Wick

Cllr Key advised there is nothing further to report at the moment. The application has been allocated to a planning officer and will come to the Parish Council in due course.

A parishioner had given Cllr Thorne a copy of plans that have been submitted to EDDC for alterations to a property in the parish. The Parish Council appreciated the advance information and had no objections to the plans.

East Devon Villages Plan

The East Devon Villages Plan has been submitted to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government. Cllr Key advised that it will have no impact on Luppitt.

Neighbourhood Plan

Nothing further to report at the moment.

HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC

Parish Highways programme

Update on Items to Report as follows:

Item Reported	Action	Status
Pennythorne Cross to Barn Cross – road subsidence	W17997496 Clerk to report again – road is in dangerous state	Assessment completed 13.04.17
Potholes and severe drop-off at edge of tarmac from Over-day Farm towards Gully Lane Numerous potholes close to Coombeshead junction towards Ringborough Cross – edge of road deterioration	W17997499 and W17997501 W171006493 W171016196 and W171016198	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Assessment completed 19.05.17 Estimated assessment date 11.07.17



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Pothole outside Dolish Farm-house	W17980514	NHO has measured up and will now raise an order for the work
Several potholes Ringborough Cross to Luppitt Common – road subsidence	W17997507 W171006497 and W171006503	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Assessment completed 19.05.17
Sharcombe to Mattys Cross – several potholes and general deterioration of road	W17997529 W171016204	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Estimated assessment date 11.07.17
Several potholes Beacon to Sharcombe and road deterioration above Shelves	W17997530 W171016209	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Estimated assessment date 11.07.17
Maple Cross to Pound Farm – road subsidence	W17989887 W171016212	Assessment completed 10.04.17 Estimated assessment date 11.07.17
At Robin's Bungalow and Smithenhayes – road needs re-instating around the drain	W17989895 Clerk has reported to NHO	NHO has marked the area for patching and a drainage channel. Road closure so work will not be carried out for a couple of months (from June)
Mountstephens to Luppitt Cross – potholes and severe road subsidence past old telephone exchange and round double bends	W171016215	Estimated assessment date 11.07.17
School Lane – severe drop-offs and degradation of the surface generally	W171018361	Reported by parishioner
Several potholes from Millrise to Blackenfields Farm entrance	W17997536 Clerk to report again	Assessment completed 13.04.17

Several potholes between Red Doors and Lowmans Farm	Clerk to report	New
Uxford Bridge to Crook Cross	Clerk to contact Combe Raleigh clerk to see if any progress has been made with Highways	No progress made to date with Highways by Combe Raleigh clerk - ongoing

Parish Maintenance

Shelf Lane

Highways are carrying out work in Shelf Lane and in places have undone some of the work carried out by Cllr Tucker.

Highway Community Enhancement Fund

Cllr Tucker provided a quote of £4,160 plus VAT for the new project between Coombeshead and Ringborough Cross. However, Cllr Tucker suggested a different approach to the project which would be cheaper. He and members of the Parish Maintenance Committee will investigate before the next meeting and will liaise with the neighbouring landowner.

FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

Cllr Nancarrow was away but there was nothing to report.

ENVIRONMENT/COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Community policing report

No report was received.

Music and Movement for Children.

Luppitt Village Hall. Wednesdays, term time only.

Starts at 9.30 am with approximately 45 minutes of singing and dancing.

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01404 891058.

Local Government Boundary Commission

The Commission has now completed its review of East Devon. The draft order will be laid in Parliament and will provide for new electoral arrangements for East Devon to be implemented at the local elections in 2019. Dunkeswell and Otterhead will become a two-councillor ward.

Removal of slide

Cllr Pulman has kindly dismantled the slide at the Village Hall. The clerk was asked to contact the Safety Consultant for the name of an approved contractor to carry out the repair work needed on the equipment at Millrise.

Defibrillators

The clerk has contacted an electrician to connect the external cabinets at the Village Hall and Beacon. The work will be carried out within the next three to four weeks.

Overhanging Hedges

The clerk will clarify the Parish Council's position over this with Devon County Council.

Exeter Airspace

There was no further information on this.

Correspondence

A request for a donation towards the cost of a new Blackdown Hills minibus was considered.

Association of Local Council Clerks (ALCC) is the only independent trade union dedicated to supporting people working in the local council sector across England and Wales. It was agreed that the clerk would not join the trade union.

An email from Democratic Services at EDDC about possible training sessions around planning issues was noted.

The clerk has received a letter from the Planning Inspectorate concerning footpaths 21, Combe Raleigh, and 59, Luppitt. The Parish Council has objected to the order which is to be determined by an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State. It was agreed to adopt the written representation method as suggested in the letter.

Chairman's Discretion

A parishioner had spoken to the clerk about roads in Luppitt being closed whilst Open Reach carried out emergency work. It would seem that Open Reach does not have to go through the usual channels to request road closures if the work is deemed to be an emergency.

Questions from the Public

There were no questions and the meeting closed at 9.50 pm.

Date for next meeting to be held in Luppitt Village Hall at 8 pm:

Tuesday, August 1st, 2017

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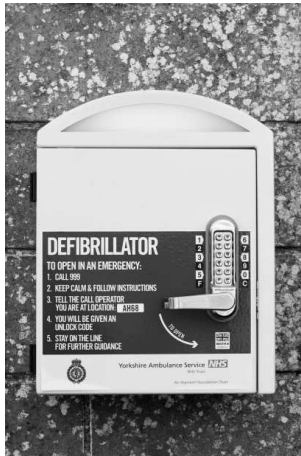
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Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Review of Register of Interest forms

There were no alterations to the Register of Interest forms for Cllrs Brake and Nancarrow.

PLANNING

Applications (for comment, support or objection)

17/1569/FUL – Little Fields, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4SX – replacement dwelling and garage

This application was discussed at the July meeting. The Parish Council has no objection and supports the application.

HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC

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Uxford Bridge to Crook Cross	Clerk to contact Combe Raleigh clerk to see if any progress has been made with Highways	No progress made to date with Highways by Combe Raleigh clerk - ongoing

Parish Maintenance

The parishioner at Wrens has kindly cleared the ditch outside his property which should prevent water from running across the road.

Shelf Lane

Cllr Thorne agreed to take some photographs of the work carried out in Shelf Lane. The clerk will forward these to Highways as evidence of the work carried out with the funding that was granted.

Highway Community Enhancement Fund

The clerk will speak to Cllr Tucker about a quote for the work to be carried out on the road from Coombeshead to Ringborough Cross and the wording to use in the application for funding

FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

Cllr Nancarrow had nothing to report.

ENVIRONMENT/COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Community policing report

No report was received.

Repairs to play area at Millrise

The safety consultant was unable to recommend a local contractor to carry out the repairs needed. Cllr Key undertook to make enquiries with EDDC.

Defibrillators

Both external cabinets have been installed. The clerk had been given some helpful information by Otter Brewery of the person from Bovey Tracey who carried out their defibrillator training. However, it was decided that the clerk should approach a local parishioner in Upottery to see if he would be willing to undertake training for those people in Luppitt who have expressed an interest.

Overhanging Hedges

The clerk is awaiting a reply from the Neighbourhood Highways Officer.

Exeter Airspace

The clerk had received a response from Dunkeswell clerk on this situation which she passed on to the Parish Council. There is nothing further to report.

Correspondence

The clerk has received a letter with timetable from the Planning Inspectorate concerning Footpaths 21, Combe Raleigh, and 59, Luppitt. The Parish Council has objected to the order which is to be determined by an Inspector

appointed by the Secretary of State. The written representation method has been adopted. Cllr Thorne undertook to speak to the parishioner whose land is affected by the alteration to Footpath 59.

A notice giving details of a walking festival was put on the noticeboard.

Details of Children's Hospice South West asking for anyone interested in opening up their gardens in 2018 were noted. The clerk has forwarded the information to Mrs Dalgety who will arrange for it to appear in the Luppitt Packet if there is room.

The meeting was then suspended to allow **Questions from the public.**

The two parishioners present had come to discuss the planning application for the slurry lagoon at Higher Wick Farm. They expressed their grave concern over the lack of information contained in the planning application. One parishioner had downloaded the information from the EDDC website. He pointed out that the scale of the operation is not mentioned, therefore vital details regarding the number of lorry trips and the length of time cannot be calculated. Much more information is needed on the engineering design and the structure of the lagoon. It was agreed that individual letters from parishioners carry weight and anyone supporting or objecting to the planning application should put their views in writing to the Planning Department at EDDC. Cllr Thorne thanked both parishioners for their input and said that their concerns would be taken into account when the Parish Council formulates its response.

The meeting then resumed.

Chairman's Discretion

Details of the planning application **17/1381/MFUL** for a slurry lagoon had been received by the clerk on Friday, 28 July which did not allow sufficient time for it to appear on the agenda. Cllr Barlow proposed (seconded by Cllr Pulman with all in favour) that a meeting of the planning committee should be arranged as soon as possible to discuss this important issue. It was unanimously agreed that the planning committee should meet immediately after the Parish Council meeting.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

Date for the next meeting to be held in Luppitt Village Hall at 8 pm:

Tuesday, 5 September 2017

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Planning Committee of Luppitt Parish Council called to discuss the planning application for a slurry lagoon at Higher Wick Farm and held in the Village Hall on Tuesday, 1 August 2017 at 9.30 pm

Present: Cllrs John Thorne (Chairman), Gavin Brake (Vice-Chairman), David Barlow, Tom Nancarrow, Paul Prettejohn, Brian Pulman, David Key (EDDC), Rosalind Buxton (Parish Clerk) and two members of the public

17/1381/MFUL – Higher Wick Farm, Wick, Honiton, EX14 4TY – construction of manure slurry store lagoon and associated earthworks and landscaping for existing dairy unit complex

Cllr Brake began by saying that Luppitt Parish Council has demonstrated its support in the past for promoting sustainable and viable agricultural businesses. The Parish Council fully understands the importance of agriculture to the rural community. However, there were so many unanswered questions in this planning application that much more information was needed.

There was a general discussion about the omission of essential information from the planning application. The following points caused serious concern to the committee:

- No details of the scale of the operation are given. This makes it impossible to calculate the timeframe envisaged and, consequently, the number of lorry trips each day.
- There is no mention of the amount of imported soil required and the impact on lorry traffic.
- The proposed design of the slurry lagoon was discussed in detail. The plan is to build the lagoon on the side of the hill. There is no engineer's report to say that this design is even feasible.
- There is no information given of a structural plan. There is no indication that there is sufficient clay of suitable quality on site to line the lagoon.
- A report from Hydroc, prepared for the applicant, suggested up to 30 two-way HGV movements per day between the hours of 08.30 and 17.30, Monday to Friday. However, further on in the report, it states that construction traffic will be operating on a six-day week basis. The hours of operation for Saturdays would be between 09.00 and 16.00. This scale of lorry traffic would be considered unacceptable.
- The route for lorry traffic to and from Higher Wick Farm was deemed to be wholly unsuitable. It was only designed to reduce the possibility of construction traffic meeting and did not take into account any impact on local traffic.
- There is no mention of the soil and dirt that has already been transported to Higher

Wick Farm.

It was agreed that Cllr Thorne should write to the Chief Planning Officer at East Devon to ask him to deal with this planning application personally taking into account the sensitivity of the issue. The clerk will draw up a letter. There was also concern about the 21-day statutory consultation period which would be totally inadequate. Cllr Key advised that the public notification was going to be erected at Higher Wick Farm on Wednesday, 2 August. The letter to the Chief Planning Officer will ask for clarification on when the 21-day period will commence (details of the planning application were sent to the clerk by email on Friday, 28 July) and also request that far more than the 21-day consultation period should be allowed for such an important issue.

It was unanimously decided to recommend refusal of the planning application on the following grounds:

- Omission of information regarding the scale of the proposed operation and the volume of imported material required.
- Structural and engineering assessments and reports are needed to establish (i) the suitability of the clay on site and (ii) whether it is feasible to build a clay-lined slurry lagoon on the side of a hill using imported materials of unknown structural stability.
- The Parish Council is deeply concerned at the possibility of the engineering works failing which would result in thousands of tons of mud and slurry sliding down the hill and polluting the River Love and the River Otter. This would be on an unprecedented scale with repercussions for years to come.

The exact wording of the recommendation for refusal will be agreed by Cllrs Thorne, Brake and Barlow. The clerk will then post the comments on EDDC's planning website.

Cllr Key undertook to keep a close eye on the progress of the planning application and to keep the Parish Council fully informed at all times.

The meeting closed at 10.15 pm.

Luppitt Wives

Our meeting on Thursday, September 21st will be at
Sidmouth Garden Centre.

Please meet there at 12.30pm

Luppitt Entertainments Committee Dates for your Diary 2017

Saturday 2nd September TIME EXTENDED	<u>Big Breakfast</u> <u>8:30 – 12:00am</u> This will be a charity fundraising event.
Friday 13th October	The Churchfitters Folk Band Doors open 7pm for 8pm start
Friday 10th November	Quiz Night
Saturday 9th December	Christmas Party



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BIG BREAKFAST

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Saturday 2nd September
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Thursday 14th September 2017

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Sherry Trifle

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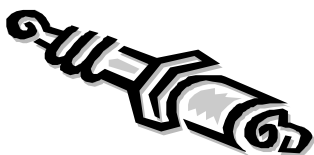
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The Honiton U3A will be meeting on Wednesday 20th September when they welcome their speaker and fellow U3A member Dr. Peter Williams whose talk is entitled - '**Other Worlds**'. Following a revolution in recent years of the discovery of thousands of exoplanets, Peter will be discussing their implications and the possibilities of other worlds existing beyond our own solar system

Venue: The Beehive Centre, Dowell St., Honiton
Doors open 1.30pm for a 2pm start

Members Free and Visitors welcome (suggested donation of £2.00)

Further information: 01404 598008
Website: <http://u3asites.org.uk/honiton>

The Blackdown Community Choir meet termly on a Thursday evening at 7.30 pm in the Baptist Centre, South Street, Wellington.

We are a friendly, welcoming choir and anyone 16 years and older can join. We have no voice auditions.

We are welcoming a new young leader, Claire Stronach in September as Caroline Rigby is retiring.

The next term commences on September 21st and a taster session costs £5. Information from www.blackdowncommunitychoir or telephone 01823-662203

Honiton Mobile Library at MOUNTSTEPHENS FARM

2017

September 6th

Arrive 12.30

Depart 1pm



GARDEN JOTTINGS

by D.Street

The one thing I don't like about beetroots is all the red stuff on your plate afterwards, especially at washing up time. Really noticeable, if like me you're not mechanised or technified, as I expect most people are these days. Makes me think of the ancient Brits painting their faces with beetroot. Or maybe that was madder or something else.

But not all beetroots are red. My beetroot book (really Mrs Street's book) lists several non-red beetroots. There are some white beetroots like Albina Vereduna. There's Blankoma and Burpee White and Snow White. And there're yellow beetroots too - Burpee Golden and Doree. Another beetroot, Devoy, has red leaves and pink flesh. So you don't have to have a red plate after all.

Whether these different coloured beetroots taste like normal beetroots is another matter. The earthy taste beetroots have is caused by a chemical in them called geomsin. Some beetroots have more of it, some have less. If you're not keen on this earthy flavour, the variety Chioggia is said to have the least geomsin, and Detroit Dark Red the most.

As you can easily imagine, it was the Romans who first brought beetroots to Britannia. So the Brits couldn't have used beetroot paint after all. Must have been madder or cochineal. Why do I think it was red in any case?

Apart from different flavours and colours, beetroots come in different shapes and sizes from round and fat to long and thin. Beetroots in Roman times seem to have been black and white. Much work has done by farmers and agriculturalists since then interbreeding and improving beetroots. Gerrard in the late 1500s describes a red beetroot growing in his garden. "Which hath leaves very great, and red of colour, as is all the rest of the plant, as well as root, as stalke, and floures full of a perfect purple juyce tending to redness."

Apart from beetroots there are other closely related vegetables - spinach (was this Popeye's favourite?), fodder beets fed to farm animals, and sugar beet with a twenty per cent sugar content. Most of Europe's sugar is nowadays processed from sugar beet.

Beetroot contains about four per cent of sugar, and has many other

nutrients - vitamins especially of the b-group, niacin, calcium, iron, zinc and others. My book is very insistent on eating beetroots being good for you because of all the goodies they have in them.

I'm not going to go into how to plant and grow beetroots, apart from noticing the seeds sometimes have more than one germ.

There are many recipes using beetroot - raw or cooked. Watch out for bloodied hands. One well known recipe is for Russian beetroot and cabbage soup, usually written borscht in English.

Gerrard (him again) in the 1500s has some serving suggestions. "The greater Red Beet or Roman Beet, boyled and eaten with oyle, vinegre and pepper is a most excellent and delicat salad. But what might be made of the red and beautifull root (Which is preferred before the leaves, as well as beautie as in goodness)."

Luppitt Flower Show, 2017

We are very pleased to tell you that we have had the best show ever.

More entries, including more children, thank you, more visitors in the afternoon to inspect your efforts and have tea with us.

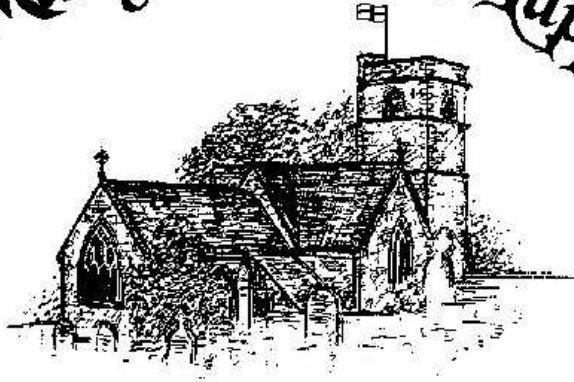
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Many, many thanks to everyone who helped and came on the day, either to show or to see, and if you didn't win - well there's always next year!

Full results will be in the October Packet.

Sue and Joan

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Sunday 3 September	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion
Sunday 10 September	11:00 am All Age Worship
Sunday 17 September	11:00 am Common Worship Holy Communion
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Sunday 1 October	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion

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On 3 June 2017 the marriage took place at St Mary's Church of
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9 September	Christine Page-Turner & Olive Clapp
16 September	Shirley Crabb & Beryl Hardwick
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Sunday 17 September	9:30 am CW Holy Communion	11:00 am Battle of Britain Service	11:00 am Morning Prayer	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion	11:00 am All Age Worship
Saturday 23 September		11:00 am Healing Service			
Sunday 24 September	10:00 am All Age Worship	11:00 am CW Holy Communion	9:15 am CW Holy Communion	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion	11:00 am CW Holy Communion
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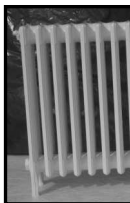
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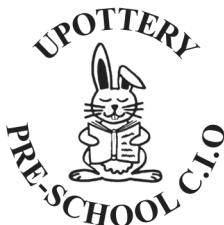
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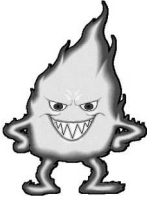
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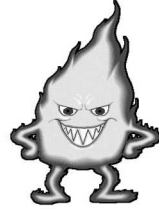
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The longterm plan would be to plant traditional species along the route to enhance people knowledge and enjoyment.

Tim Clewer

Blackdown Hills Transition Group

Dates for Diary

September 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th	Friday market, Village Hall, 11am-1pm.
September 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th	Social Club, Village Hall, 8pm.
September 11th, 18th 4th, 25th to be re- arranged	Bowls, Village Hall, 7.30pm.
September 2nd	"Big Breakfast" in aid of the Exeter Neonatal Unit. 8.30am-12noon. Village Hall
September 4th	Defibrillator Training Course , Village Hall, 7.30pm.
September 5th	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 8pm.
September 14th	Luncheon Club, Village Hall, 12.30pm
September 25th	Harvest Supper , Village Hall, 7.30pm. Booking details from Jean Hooper - 892969. See page 1.
September 29th	Macmillan Coffee Morning , Village hall, 11am-1pm

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