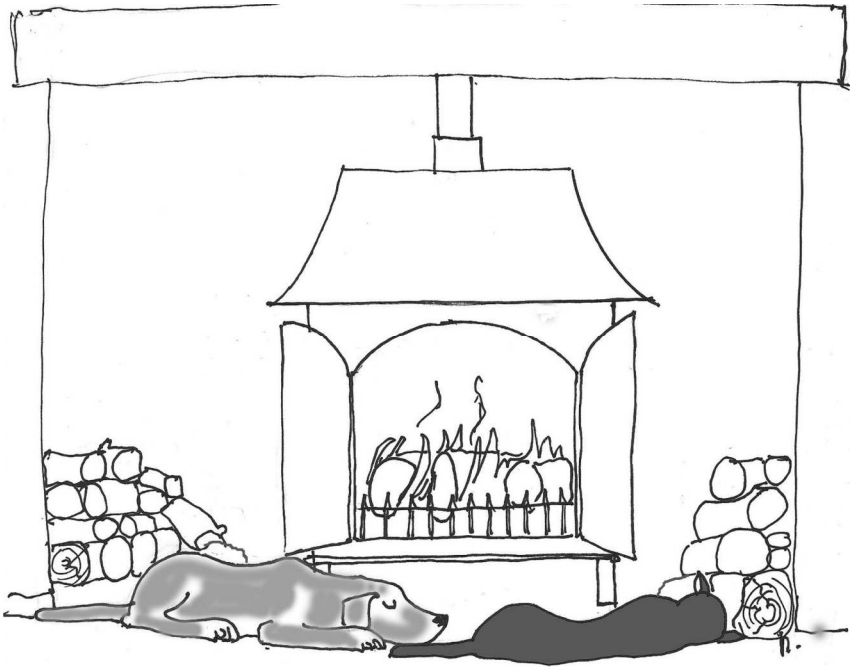


# *Luppitt Packet*



*February 2018*

## USEFUL LUPPITT PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Council: Chairman, John Thorne 01404 891412  
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Clerk: Rosalind Buxton 01404 861565

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Secretary: Mary Joyce 890186

Commoners: Secretary : Kevin Lockyer 01404 892836

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Rector: Rev John Hayhoe 07864 048575.

PCC secretary: Wendy Watson 891959

Church Administrator: Mrs Karen Davies 890121 (9:30 to 10:30 am)

Churchwardens: Brian Pulman 891324

John Arbuthnott 891032

Captain of Bellringers: Pearl Pulman 891324

Cricket Club: S Berry 891268

Luncheon Club: Jean Hooper 892969

Hartridge Buddhist Monastery: 891251

Websites - <[www.luppitt.net](http://www.luppitt.net)>

<[www.luppittparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.luppittparishcouncil.co.uk)>

Location of defibrillators - Village Hall, EX14 4RT

Loman's Farm, EX 14 4TX (near Red Doors)

**Highway Faults** - online: [http://www.devon.gov.uk/index/transportroads/roads/road\\_maintenance.htm](http://www.devon.gov.uk/index/transportroads/roads/road_maintenance.htm) Alternatively, telephone 0845 155 1004 and give the fault information or email <[csc.roads@devon.gov.uk](mailto:csc.roads@devon.gov.uk)>

**Police** - non urgent - **101**. **Police** - urgent : **999**

### OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

Dog Warden : 01395 517457

Crimestoppers:: 0800 555111

Blackdown Practice:

Dunkeswell 01823 681720

Blackdown Support Group:

(Hemyock) 01823 681036

Honiton Medical Centre : 548544

Honiton Hospital: 540540

Dev.Air Ambulance: 01392 466666

TRIP: 46529: community transport

C.A.B.: 44213

Honiton Library: 41212

E. Devon District Council:  
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# Around the Parish



What a generous parish Luppitt is! Jackie O'Malley tells me that the annual Luppitt Calendar for 2018 raised £300 for the Devon Air Ambulance! And our Packet Christmas Coffee Morning also raised just over £300 to keep the presses rolling. Thank you all who supported us. The coffee morning was great fun and a great thank you to everyone who keeps the Packet getting out to the Parish.

The Luppitt Flower Show has already started - page 21 - with classes both old and new to get us going.

The last word on Christmas 2017 goes to Joan Beckett.

## Our Turkey

Oh, how we enjoyed that turkey,  
It was tender, delicious and hot.  
With potatoes, sprouts and gravy -  
I'm afraid we ate rather a lot.

A late supper call for sandwiches,  
With pickles and crusty bread.  
Was eaten with enjoyment -  
Then we all staggered off to bed.

Cold slices served on Boxing Day,  
With spuds and bubble and squeak.  
We dispatched it rather more slowly -  
We were all too full to speak.

Our guests left the next day, saying,  
"Best Christmas" "Delicious" "So kind".  
We insisted on parcels of goodies -  
Even though they left them behind!

# **LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Clerk's report of a Meeting of Luppitt Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Tuesday, 5 December 2017 at 8 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs John Thorne (Chairman), Gavin Brake (Vice-Chairman), Tom Nancarrow, Paul Prettejohn, Brian Pulman, Andrew Tucker, David Key (EDDC) and Rosalind Buxton (clerk)

### **Receive apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs David Barlow, Iain Chubb (DCC and EDDC and PCSO Anning 30012

**Before the meeting started, a minute's silence was held in memory of Cllr Derek Hooper who has passed away and whose funeral took place on 5 December. Cllr Thorne spoke on behalf of the whole of the Parish Council in expressing heartfelt condolences to Jean and her family over their sad loss.**

**Derek became a Parish Councillor in June 1979 and served as Chairman from May 1985 until May 1999. He was also Chairman from May 2007 until May 2008. He served on the Parish Council for nearly 40 years and his contribution and knowledge will be greatly missed.**

### **Minutes of previous meeting**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 7 November 2017, were unanimously agreed and signed as a correct record of that meeting (proposed by Cllr Brake and seconded by Cllr Pulman).

### **Declaration of Interest**

Cllr Pulman declared an interest in item 2.2.1 (Affordable rental housing in the village) as he is related to the parishioner. Cllr Tucker declared an interest in items 3.2 (Parish Maintenance) and 3.2.2 (Repairs to roadside damage near Moorlands Farm road) as he will be carrying out the work or has carried out the work.

## **PLANNING**

### **Applications (for comment, support or objection)**

**17/2575/FUL – The Barn, Ford Bridge, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4TR – retention of existing stable building, expansion of existing yard and siting of 2 no field shelters for**

agricultural use

The Parish Council has already commented on this application. The Parish Council has no objection subject to a strict condition that the buildings can only be used for agricultural purposes as requested in the design and access statement.

### **Neighbourhood Plan – additional funding**

Additional funding is available from Locality but must be spent by the end of March 2018. It was agreed that the clerk should apply for this funding to be used towards consultants' fees and any surveys needed (proposed by Cllr Brake and seconded by Cllr Tucker with all in favour). Any money not spent by the end of March will be returned.

### **Affordable rental housing in the village**

Roger Hicks is very near to finalising his work on the Neighbourhood Plan and it was agreed to defer further discussion on this topic until the updated Neighbourhood Plan is studied in detail.

### **Parish Highways programme**

Update on Items to Report as follows:

<b>Item Reported</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Status</b>
Pennythorne Cross to Barn Cross – road subsidence	W17997496  W171026228	<b>Assessment completed 13.04.17</b> <b>Assessment date 16.08.17</b>
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	<b>Assessment completed 18.04.17</b>  <b>Assessment completed 19.05.17</b> <b>Assessment date 11.07.17</b>
Pothole outside Dolish Farmhouse	W17980514	<b>Completed</b> <b>Springbox at Sparrows Croft still awaiting completion, Work will probably be carried out Jan/Feb.</b>



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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	<b>No progress made to date with Highways by Combe Raleigh clerk</b> <b>Clerk to report from Luppitt Parish Council</b>
Pothole between the houses at Millrise and the cattle grid	W171059008	<b>Assessment date 13.12.17</b>

### **Parish Maintenance**

Cllr Pulman had the following items to add to Cllr Tucker's list:

- Above Newhouse Farm – maintenance and ditch clearing. The neighbouring farmer and landowner have kindly agreed to co-operate with the work.
- The ditch by the cattle grid (before the houses at Millrise) fills up – Cllr Key undertook to follow up.

### **Lengthsman's Visit**

The next visit is due on 19 February 2018.

### **Repairs to roadside damage near Moorlands Farm road**

Cllr Tucker has completed repairs to the roadside damage and a parishioner had written expressing his gratitude at the prompt action of the Parish Council. The clerk has applied to the Highway Community Enhancement Fund for 50% of the costs.

### **Road Warden Scheme**

The clerk will follow up and bring the information to the next meeting.

### **Grass cutting**

The clerk will establish exactly what sort of grass cutting was intended and will reply accordingly.

### **Parishes Together Fund**

The rules for the Parishes Together Fund for the financial year 2018/19 are changing following a review of the rules. The fund will no longer support regular activities such as grass cutting, ditch and drainage works and any other associated lengthsman duties. The changes return the scheme to its original purpose of encouraging communities to work together identifying and starting new ideas for their mutual benefit.

### **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**

The clerk had reported the broken footpath sign pointing towards footpath 14. Cllr Nancarrow had nothing further to report.

### **ENVIRONMENT/COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

#### **Community policing report**

No crimes have been reported between 8/11/17 and 4/12/17.

PCSO 30012 Phil Anning is resigning after 15 years working as a PCSO in Honiton. He is going to take up a position within the Environmental Health Team at EDDC. No information has been received about a possible replacement.

#### **Repairs to play area at Millrise**

The work has been carried out to the play area at Millrise.

#### **Registration of defibrillators**

The clerk has registered the defibrillators with South West Ambulance Service. The clerk will be responsible for regularly checking both defibrillators.

#### **Projected budget 2018/19**

The clerk will finalise the figures and forward to the Parish Councillors for consideration before a final decision is taken on the precept at the January meeting.

#### **External audit arrangements for 2018**

The clerk passed on the information received from the Smaller Authorities' Audit



Appointments regarding completion of the Annual Return now to be known as the Annual Governance and Accountability Return.

### **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

### **Chairman's Discretion**

The following planning application and tree preservation order were received shortly before the meeting which did not allow enough time for them to be published allowing for the statutory three days required before a meeting.

### **17/1381/MFUL – construction of manure slurry store lagoon at Higher Wick Farm These amendments relate to additional information regarding importation of material, site selection criteria, structural integrity of lagoon, hours/days of operation and landscape impact rebuttal**

There was a general discussion about the situation. Notification of the new planning application had only been received on the day of the meeting. The quality of the plans downloaded from the East Devon Planning website was very poor and the detail in many places was illegible. The Parish Councillors felt it was imperative to have a hard copy of the full set of plans to enable them to consider the proposal and formulate their comments. The clerk will request this and Cllr Key undertook to follow this up. The clerk will also make it clear to Planning that the normal 21 days allowed for comments to be made on this planning application will not be sufficient, bearing in mind the impact that this project has had so far on the wider community. There is continuing concern about the lack of construction work that has taken place since this operation started. Once hard copies of the plans are received, Parish Councillors will meet to discuss.

### **17/0130/TPO – Land at or adjacent to Dolish Farmhouse**

The clerk has received notification that a Tree Preservation Order has been made at this site.

### **Youth Club Funds**

Cllr Pulman, as Chairman of the Village Hall Committee, advised the Parish Council that there is a sizeable amount of money remaining in the Youth Club accounts. This money is being held in a separate account for use on Youth Club activities in the future.

### **Casual Vacancy**

It was proposed by Cllr Brake and seconded by Cllr Tucker, with all in favour, that the clerk should start the process of filling the vacancy of Parish Councillor with immediate effect.

### **Questions from the Public**

There were no questions and the meeting closed at 9.35 pm.

**Date for next meeting to be held in Luppitt Village Hall at 8 pm:  
Tuesday January 2nd.**

# **LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Clerk's report of a Meeting of Luppitt Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Tuesday, 2 January 2018 at 8 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs John Thorne (Chairman), Brian Pulman, Andrew Tucker and Rosalind Buxton (clerk)

### **Receive apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Gavin Brake (Vice-Chairman), David Barlow, Tom Nancarrow and David Key (EDDC)

### **Minutes of previous meeting**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 5 December 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 items 3.2 (Parish Maintenance) and 3.2.1 (Repairs to roadside damage near Moorlands Farm road) as he will be carrying out the work or has carried out the work.

## **PLANNING**

### **Applications (for comment, support or objection)**

#### **17/1381/MFUL – construction of manure slurry store lagoon at Higher Wick Farm**

EDDC Planning had only allowed 14 days for the Parish Council's response to the updated planning application. Cllr Key had been unable to establish why the normal 21 days allowed for comments had been reduced to 14 days. The Parish Council had studied the latest planning application and had commented online specifying why it was still recommending refusal. The full text is on the website [www.luppittparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.luppittparishcouncil.co.uk). The clerk will establish whether or not this planning application has been referred to committee at EDDC

**17/2900/FUL – Rolleshayes Farm, Wick, Honiton, EX14 4TY** – creation of new window in south east gable at first floor, raise height of existing chimneys at north east and north west gable ends (revised scheme to 17/1330/FUL).

**17/2901/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 courses to north west gable chimney (revised scheme to 17/1331/LBC)

The Parish Council has no objection and supports these applications.

**17/2844/LBC – Shelves Cottage, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4SN** – single storey extension to side (west) elevation

The Parish Council has no objection and supports this application.

### **Neighbourhood Plan**

The Chairman advised that he will be meeting Roger Hicks, together with Cllr Brake and the clerk, on Friday, 5 January to review the first draft of the Neighbourhood Plan that Roger Hicks has prepared.

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## **Parish Maintenance**

Cllr Thorne thanked Cllr Tucker for all his hard work in the parish which has greatly improved the state of the roads around Luppitt.

## **Repairs to roadside damage near Moorlands Farm road**

The clerk reported that the application to the Highways Community Enhancement Fund for 50% of the costs of the road repairs (£980) has been granted. Cllr Tucker has already carried out the work.

## **Grit Bins**

The clerk has established that any request for additional grit bins should be made via the County Councillor representative. The clerk will apply for one additional grit bin to be situated near Lower Moorland lane junction.

## **Road Warden Scheme**

This scheme was discussed. The clerk will establish exactly what is involved with Chapter 8 training and will bring the information to the next meeting. Cllr Pulman remarked on the dirty state of many of the road signs around Luppitt. There seems little hope that this would be carried out by Highways and it is one of the things that volunteers from the parish are encouraged to undertake under the Road Warden Scheme. Cllr Tucker offered in his personal capacity as a parishioner to clean the sign at Ringborough Cross.

## **FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS**

There was no report as Cllr Nancarrow was away.

## **ENVIRONMENT/COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

### **Rural policing arrangements**

The clerk has been advised that PCSO 30017 Darren England will now be taking on the role of looking after rural Honiton. PCSO England has worked in the town since the inception of the PCSO role in Honiton. He is a resident of the town and has grown up in the area. The clerk will add his details to the mailing list.

## **Projected budget 2018/19**

The budget for 2018/19 was discussed in detail. It was agreed to accept the projected budget and to set the precept at £11,000 for 2018/19 (proposed by Cllr Pulman, seconded by Cllr Tucker). Although not present at the meeting, Cllrs Brake and Barlow has expressed their satisfaction with the budget figures and for setting the precept at £11,000.

## **Correspondence**

Cllr Thorne has received a letter from the Planning Inspectorate regarding footpaths 60, 61 and 62, Luppitt. The written representations procedure will be adopted as it has been before with footpaths 21, Combe Raleigh, and 59, Luppitt.

## **Chairman's Discretion**

### **Seminar**

The Chairman advised that he will be attending a seminar on 19 January with Roger Hicks, run by the Campaign to Protect Rural England, entitled New Housing & The Greater Exeter Strategic Plan (GESP).

### **Casual Vacancy**

The vacancy has been advertised on all three noticeboards and on the Parish Council website for a period of 14 working days excluding bank holidays and weekends. This period expires on 3 January 2018. The clerk was waiting to hear from EDDC whether an election has been requested by 10 electors from the electoral area. If no request is received, the clerk will follow the co-option procedure as set out and details will appear in the Luppitt Packet, on noticeboards and on the Parish Council website.

### **Questions from the Public**

There were no questions and the meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

**Dates for next meetings to be held in Luppitt Village Hall at 8 pm:**

**Tuesday, 6 February 2018**

## **Honiton Mobile Library at MOUNTSTEPHENS FARM**

February 28th

Arrive 12.30pm Depart 1pm



## **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.

Price is only £1.00 per child, to include a drink and a biscuit, also coffee or tea for the adults.

From babies till school age. Any enquires contact Maria  
01404 891058.

## **CASUAL VACANCY ON LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL**

A vacancy has arisen for a Parish Councillor on Luppitt Parish Council. This is an opportunity for anyone interested in parish affairs to help shape and support the local community.

Luppitt Parish Council meets on the first Tuesday of each month and the meetings last for approximately 2 hours. A variety of issues will be discussed at these meetings including responding to planning applications and working to improve the quality of life in the parish. Luppitt Parish Council is particularly proactive in all aspects of parish maintenance with special emphasis on the many lanes throughout the parish.

A Parish Councillor serves for a four-year period. However, as we are part way through an elected term, this casual vacancy will last until May 2019 when full elections will be held.

### **To stand for election on a Parish Council, you must be:**

- at least 18 years old;
- a British citizen, a qualifying Commonwealth citizen, or a citizen of any other member state of the European Union;

### **In addition:**

- for the whole of the 12 months before nomination, you must have occupied (as owner or tenant) land or other premises in the parish; or
- work in the parish as your principal or only place of work; or
- live within three miles of the parish boundary.

### **You cannot stand for election if you:**

- are bankrupt and an Order or Interim Restriction Order has been imposed;
- have been convicted in the United Kingdom, within 5 years before the day of the election, of any offence and have had a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of over 3 months without the option of a fine;
- have been convicted or reported guilty of a corrupt or illegal practice by an election court, or have been disqualified from standing for election to a local authority.

Please telephone the clerk, Rosalind Buxton, on 01404 861565 if you have any questions. Alternatively, any of our Parish Councillors will be happy to speak to you and let you know first-hand what is involved.

If you wish to apply to be co-opted to the vacancy, please write a brief summary about yourself to include:

- length of residence in the parish
- membership and involvement with any community associations within the parish or elsewhere
- particular interests and concerns relating to the parish
- any professional or work-related experience which could be utilised for the benefit of the parish
- confirm your eligibility to stand in line with the rules above

and send it to **Rosalind Buxton at Courtmoor Farm, Upottery, Honiton, Devon, EX14 9QA**, or email her at [luppittclerk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luppittclerk@yahoo.co.uk) by 26 February 2018.



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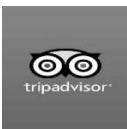
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# GARDEN JOTTINGS

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Pantomimes come at Christmas time - burlesque shows the audience itself is part of. Nowadays they are often based on well-known fairy tales with a man being the leading woman, and a lot of slapstick humour. Everyone knows who does what. No Agatha Christie here, no tortured suspense of a Midsomer happening.

When I was looking at my Christmas book last month, there was a chapter on how pantos developed - not really gardening of course, but that can start up again next month when summer is just below the horizon and every day is getting nearer.

There have always been comedy shows and plays from ancient times. Even the Greek playwrights, masters of heavy and serious drama, wrote comedies too - Cratinus and Aristophanes, whose "Frogs" and "Birds" can still be read.

Pantomime seems to derive partly at least from the stock characters of the Italian plays often called Harlequinades - the black and white clad Harlequin and his beloved Columbine, daughter of the foolish old Pantaloon. The Italian actors didn't have much English and made up for this lack with gestures and horseplay.

And then from the later Middle Ages there were troops of Mummers travelling round towns and villages putting on often rowdy performances with much dancing and singing. They would wear outlandish costumes with elaborate masks and animal heads. They had stock characters, with a hero usually a king or St George. Mummers entertained Edward III and his court during Christmas 1347.

Later on their performances became more like plays, and included characters we recognise today, like Jack the Giant Killer.

One actor, a professional clown, Joseph Grimaldi, became very popular, featuring cross-dressing, acrobatics and audience participation. He retired because of ill health in 1823, but had set the tone for future pantomime.

The first pantomime in the contemporary British tradition with a pantomime dame played by a man and audience participation was Jack and the Bean Stalk, put on at the Drury Lane Theatre Royal in 1819. Many have since followed, based on fairy tales with a goodie and a badie and a pair of innocent young lovers.

# SUNDAY ROAST

Luppitt Village Hall

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March

2 sittings: 12:30pm & 1:30pm

(Note for 12:30 sitting: no need to leave by 1:30!)



**Meats: Beef, Pork**  
**Selection of Desserts**

**Adults: £12, Children 5-11: £7.50**

**Children under 5: free**

**Book early to avoid disappointment!**

**Contact: Shirley Crabb 01404 891235**

*Payment with booking please*



# **EASTER BINGO**

## **For all the Family**

**Luppitt Village Hall**  
**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**



**Doors Open 7.00pm**  
**Eyes Down 7.30pm**

## **Luppitt Entertainments Committee**

### **Dates for your Diary 2018**

<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Sunday Roast Prior Booking Essential as numbers are limited 12:30pm or 1:30pm</b>
<b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	<b>Easter Bingo 7pm for 7:30pm start</b>
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Spring into Luppitt! 2pm – 5pm More details in the March Packet</b>

**More events being planned - watch this space for further details!**



**Follow us on Facebook at Luppitt Events**

#### **Luppitt Wives**

Our February meeting will be on Friday 16th at 8pm at Shirley crab's home. Barbara Thorne will be talking about the help and understanding needed for people living with, or caring for Dementia.

All welcome.

Joan Beckett.

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# JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

A Pantomime by Bob Heather

22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

February 2018

in the Village Hall at 7:30pm

**TICKETS FROM:**

*Steve & Maggie 01404 891268*

*Or any cast member*

*Adults £6; Seniors £5;*

*Under 16's £2.50*

*All profits will support  
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**MESSIAH AT EASTER**

**Wellington Choral Society**

**Saturday 24 March**

**7.30pm at St John's Church, Wellington TA21 8QY**

**Wellington Choral Society performs Handel's Messiah**

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## **The Rector's journey back to East Devon**

It is extraordinary the way that our lives pan out, and very often not the way that one would ever have thought. Mr grandfather bought part of Lord Sidmouth's estate around Upottery in 1955 to farm. He had served in the Royal Navy but had always yearned to farm. My parents were married in St Mary's Church in Upottery in April that year and then lived near Portsmouth which is where my brother was born. As my father was at sea a lot of the time my mother returned to Upottery in 1957 and I was born in Manor Cottage. My father's Naval duties then took us as a family away first to the Suffolk coast and then to Australia and New Zealand returning to Upottery in January 1963. The first school I attended was Upottery Primary School as we lived in the village for a short time before establishing a home on Portland. Since then I have kept on moving - after leaving school I served in the Army for seventeen years and then worked in construction for ten years, for most of the time with historic buildings, before finally applying to become a priest in the Church of England. I had first told my family that I wanted to do this when I was fourteen! Some people just take a long time to get round to doing what they were meant to do! In the meantime I had gained a great deal of experience in quite diverse fields and in a number of different countries.

My grandfather had wanted me to take over the farm in Upottery but his health meant that he had to stop farming much earlier than he had hoped and it never became an option. Also I had never felt called to be a farmer. As all farmers know you don't do it for the money but just because you know you don't want to do anything else.

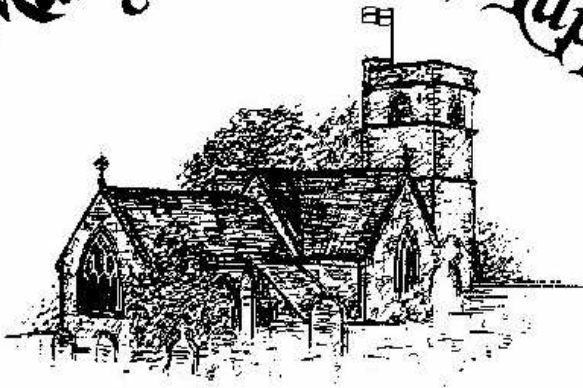
So, I have come back to the place where my life started and am now the 'shepherd' for all of God's people in the Dunkswell Mission Community with six parishes to look after. I do want to thank everybody from the parishes for the very warm welcome that I and my family have received. I am delighted, and very thankful, to find such a wonderful group of people to work with.

I have only now mentioned my family. I could not do the job that I have to do here without their love and support. Kathryn, my wife, has 'been there' for me in so many ways I could not begin to list them all, while for much of the twenty years that we have been married having some very demanding jobs. She also served in the Army but as a nursing officer, serving in England, Germany, Cyprus and Angola; for the last ten years, while we have been in New Zealand she has been in practice as a very busy rural midwife. For the time being she wants to catch her breath and take time to think about what she might do next. We have four delightful children, Isabelle, George, Ruth and Arthur, of whom two have flown the nest - the younger two are now at Honiton Community College. For all of them Devon is very new - yes it is where my roots are but not so for them. Kathryn, Ruth and Arthur are beginning to explore and are discovering quite what East Devon has to offer.

So thank you all for your very warm welcome - we look forward to getting to know you over the next months and years.

Rev John Hayhoe

# St Mary's Church, Luppitt



## Forthcoming Services at St Mary's

Sunday 4 February	9:30 am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion
Sunday 11 February	11:00 am All Age Worship
Sunday 18 February	11:00 am Common Worship Holy Communion
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Sunday 4 February	9:30 am CW Holy Communion	11:00 am CW Holy Communion	11:00 am Family Service	9:30 am Family Service	11:00 am Morning Prayer
Sunday 11 February	10:00 am Morning Prayer	11:00 am Morning Worship	9:15 am CW Holy Communion	9:30 am Morning Worship	11:00 am CW Holy Communion
14 February Ash Wednesday					7:30 pm Mission Community Service
Sunday 18 February	9:30 am CW Holy Communion	11:00 am Morning Worship	11:00 am Morning Prayer	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion	11:00 am All Age Worship
Saturday 25 February	10:00 am Worship for all ages	11:00 am CW Holy Communion	9:15 am CW Holy Communion	9:30 am BCP Holy Communion	11:00 am CW Holy Communion & Baptism
every Wednesday					9:00 am Morning Prayer

## DELICIOUS LIGHT AND EASY FOOD FOR FEBRUARY

I always struggle with February menus. It is the month when the uninspiring weather, weak winter sun, short days and general soggiess of our winters saps my energy and dulls my appetite. I also find that after the cooking and washing up marathons of the Christmas and New Year period, I want to spend as little time in the kitchen as possible!

So I go for light and easy dishes that offer lots of flavour but are easy to digest and relatively short on calories.

One of my favourites is slightly spicy Southern Style chicken which is marinated to make it tender and baked in the oven in a crispy coating to cut down on the fat content. It is very easy to make. First off, you need a couple of boned and skinned chicken thighs per person. Pop them in between two layers of cling film and give them a bash with a rolling pin to flatten them out a bit. Then make up a marinade with a carton or two of buttermilk, depending on how many chicken thighs you are using, plus juice of a lemon, good pinch of salt, a teaspoon of paprika, some chopped herbs of your choice, and if you like it really spicy, add a chopped red chilli and some minced garlic.

Pour your marinade into a plastic bag, add your chicken thighs, seal the bag and then give it a good massage so that the marinade really penetrates the chicken. Leave it in the fridge for at least 8 hours or overnight.

When you are ready to cook the chicken, heat your oven to roasting heat and pop a tray into the oven, lightly brushed with oil. For your coating, for each serving use two tablespoons of white plain flour, half a tablespoon of polenta, more chopped herbs, salt and pepper to taste and if you like it lemony, add half a teaspoon of finely grated lemon rind. Dip each of your chicken thighs into the mixture and then put them straight onto your hot tray. Roast in the oven for about 25 – 30 minutes until they are crisp and cooked through. Rest them for 10 mins on a wire rack before serving.

I like to serve these with a light potato salad (lighten the dressing by using a mixture of half yoghurt, half low fat mayonnaise plus some Dijon mustard and lemon juice) and some winter slaw – white and red cabbage shredded and mixed with grated carrot, chopped red onion and a bit of grated apple.

Another favourite of mine is to use a spicy oriental broth filled with spiralised or matchstick chopped veggies and a squeaky fresh fillet of fish. It works best with a meaty white fish like cod loin or hake – or with salmon.

Start by making a spicy, flavoursome paste. I use grated fresh ginger, garlic, coriander leaves, green chilli, lemon grass, fennel seeds, and chopped shallots. Throw it all into a spice mill or food processor and whizz until you have a thick paste. Fry your paste gently in an oiled pan for about 2 minutes using whatever oil you like – I use coconut oil with just a dash of sesame oil. Then throw in your spiralised or matchstick veggies – the choice is yours but I use green beans, carrots, finely sliced fennel, courgettes and red pepper. Let your veggies absorb the flavour of the paste by stirring them around for a minute or two. Then pour in two ladlefuls of strong vegetable or chicken stock per

person. Bring that to a rolling boil, pop in your fish, reduce the heat to a simmer and put a lid on your pan so the fish cooks in a mixture of the broth and the steam captured by the closed pan. At this point, you could, if you want a more substantial dish, add some noodles (soaked if they are rice ones, cooked if they are wheat ones) and some sliced pak choi arranged around your fish. Cook gently for about 5 minutes by which time your fish should be just cooked. Take your pan off the heat and leave it, with the lid on, for another minute or two. To serve, you can dress up your dish in lots of ways. It is best served in deep bowls. You can dress it with torn coriander and mint leaves, chopped chilli, toasted sesame seeds, thin slivers of lime rind, extra red pepper cut into thin slivers, and even wedges of hard boiled egg. I recommend finishing your dish at the table with a squeeze of lime juice and a dash of Asian fish sauce.

And finally.....on days when you want no fish, fowl or meat.....try a veggie burger. One of the best ones, I think, which holds together well in the pan and bursts with flavour, is a slightly spiced mixed bean and sweet potato burger. It is very quick and easy to make. Start the day before by roasting your sweet potatoes – just as you would an ordinary potato – in their skins in the oven. They cook relatively quickly and you don't want to over cook them or the flesh goes hard. When they are cool, scrape out the flesh and keep it in a bowl in the fridge. To make 2 burgers, take a tin of mixed beans (easily available in all supermarkets and usually a mixture of borlotti, haricot, flageolet and butter beans). Drain them well then mash them up. Mash in the flesh of one sweet potato, plus one finely chopped and sauted red onion, minced garlic, a finely chopped Portobello mushroom, a good dollop of red pepper pesto or – if you like it hot – use harissa paste, and salt and pepper to taste. Chop in some herbs of your choice – parsley, basil and oregano or coriander work well. Bind the whole lot together with a beaten egg, shape into a couple of big fat burgers and put in the fridge to firm up. Before you cook your burgers, get your accompaniments ready – it is those which really make your burger mouthwatering. Start by mixing a dollop or two of greek yoghurt with a squeeze of lime juice, some chopped coriander and some chopped spring onions. For the next layer, thickly slice a beef tomato, sprinkle the slices with salt, balsamic vinegar and olive oil and pop under the grill to caramelise. Two more layers! First, mash the flesh of an avocado with a little lemon juice. And finally.....slice some halloumi cheese and fry it for a minute or two in olive oil. Keep your tomatoes and halloumi warm, put your avocado mash and yoghurt in the fridge.

Fry your burgers in the oil of your choice – I use coconut oil. Warm up your burger buns and then layer them with tomato first, then avocado, then your burger, then halloumi, more avocado, top with the yoghurt mix and serve....just with salad or add some sweet potato chips. Yummy.

And finally.....if you buy one gadget this year for your kitchen – make it a Spiraliser. These brilliant little machines (as cheap as £18 on Amazon) turn all sorts of veg into gorgeous spirals like fine spaghetti. Brilliant for coaxing children to eat veg – the brightly coloured swirls can be dressed just like pasta. Grown ups find they make super salads with the wafer thin twirls of veg – or wonderful soups or Asian dishes.

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Head teacher ~ Mr. Chris Legg,

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On 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017, Upottery Primary School were Inspected by OFSTED, less than 5 weeks after Mr Legg started in his role as headteacher. The staff and governors work immensely hard all year round to ensure that the school is always ready for an inspection. As a result, we are delighted to inform you that the school remains 'Good'. Many thanks to the staff, governors, parents and children for all your input and feedback towards making this happen.

## Our school values:

**Respect      Learning      Resilience      Care      Happiness      Celebration**

Each term, the school will focus on one of these in turn and will be talking and learning about each core value in lessons and assemblies as well as at playtimes and lunchtimes. It has been lovely to see so many of our children already upholding and promoting as well as supporting and encouraging each other with these values, working to make our school an even better place than it already is.

**Wrens** – Enjoyed the Pre-school Christmas bazaar, Christmas dinner and crackers, Christmas sewing, advent calendar sweets, printing and glittering our wrapping paper, getting ready for Nativity in the Church and seeing the snow! They enjoyed Christmas jumper day, coming to school, holding candles as we sang 'One Bright Star'. Returning to school after the Christmas break, counting carefully, being fast at phonics, writing a thank you letter to Santa, fish and chips for lunch. We enjoyed practicing our split vowel diagrams and thinking about our homes and families.

**Kingfishers** – enjoyed, finishing our reading quizzes, including our noun phrases in a letter to Santa, telling the time, meeting a firefighter who taught us to keep ourselves safe. We loved singing at the church and holding the candles, trying challenges on Mathletics, sequencing the Christmas story and making pop up Christmas cards. We enjoyed coming back to school after the Christmas break, counting in 3's and writing numbers as words. We enjoyed talking about what we

did over Christmas and writing our New Year's resolutions. We have been investigating facts about the Great Fire of London, drawing our observations of plants and trees, making Powerpoint presentations about homophones on the laptops and making nests in Forest School.

**Kestrels** – We enjoyed making Christmas crafts to sell at the Manor Rooms Christmas Market, learning about Anglo-Saxon clothing, making lanterns, having our Christmas tree up and Eating Christmas dinner. We loved reading 'Coming Home' and finishing 'Bad Dad' by David Walliams, singing in the Church by candlelight, watching The Snowman and building teepees in Forest School. We loved doing drama work in R.E., coming back to school and starting our New Year calendar, naming major cities in the UK and the countries that make up the UK, voting for head boy and head girl and doing circuit training with Mrs. Davey. We have enjoyed map work and identifying rivers of Britain, producing story maps for our poems and having Friday time in the sun!

**Falcons** – Loved going to Pre-School for their bazaar, putting together our cross stitch Christmas cards, going to Honiton Community School for a science lesson, tag rugby with Alex Clements, looking at volume in Maths and creating different containers, reading The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe and having Turkish Delight! Eating our Christmas lunch. We loved our nativity service, making pompoms for our Christmas cards, looking at co-ordinates in Maths and making Powerpoint presentations based on Maths. We enjoyed voting for Head Boy and Head Girl (well done Alfie Johnson and Freya Denning). We liked looking at brackets and dashes in literacy, ratio and proportion in Maths and the Big Spelling Test – followed by bench ball with Mrs Davey. We enjoyed going to Honiton School for a Year 6 Maths Masterclass, doing explanatory writing in Literacy, starting our Swimming lessons at Honiton pool, with Mrs Bartlett as our teacher and loving that everyone can swim at the deep end!

Phew! What a very busy end to 2017 and exciting start to 2018!

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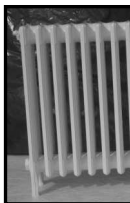
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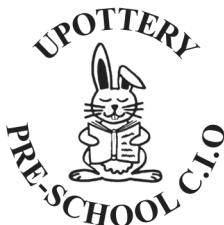
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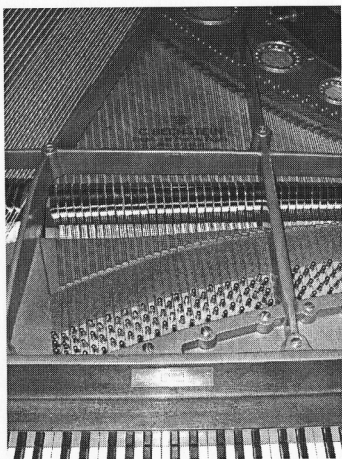
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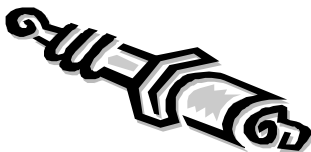
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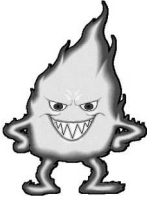


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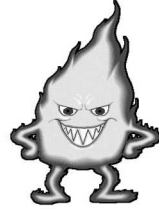
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## **SWALING OR BURNING OF THE LUPPITT COMMONS 2018**

The Trustees of Luppitt Commons hereby give notice of their intent (weather permitting) to burn parts of the Commons (Luppitt, Hartridge, Hense Moor) during the months of February and March 2018.

The Commons will be burnt in accordance with the code of practice laid down by DEFRA for the burning of  
heather, grass, gorse and vaccinium



## **THE REPAIR REVOLUTION IS COMING TO THE BLACKDOWNS!**

Start searching your lofts, scouring your garages and rummaging in your spare rooms for those broken, and sometimes cherished, items that otherwise might end up in landfill. On Saturday 24th March, at Hemyock Village Hall, there will be experts on hand who will try their best to lovingly restore them to full working order, all for the "price" of a small donation!

Over the past few months, we've been gathering together volunteer repairers with skills in clothing and textiles, bikes, small electrical appliances, garden tools, small items of furniture, computers and toys who are happy to pass on their knowledge and expertise so that fewer items that could otherwise be repaired find their way to the tip. Other than the obvious environmental advantages, this is a wonderful way to pass on much needed skills (people bringing items for repair are encouraged to watch and learn from their volunteer "buddy") while, at the same time, honouring those who have these, often dying, skills.

We could still do with one or two more qualified "sparks" and "computer buffs" on our team and as we are, initially at least, only going to run the Repair Cafe once every two months (on the fourth Saturday of March, May etc), hopefully this won't be too onerous. So, if this could be YOU, please get in touch because you'll be helping a great community initiative get up and running!

Pop the date - Saturday, 24th March - in your diary and come along to celebrate the launch of our new Repair Cafe. Look out for further details on our Facebook page (RepairCafeBlackdowns) and here next month.

And, oh yes, did I mention there will be cake?

Trisha Comrie (E: [trishacomrie@gmail.com](mailto:trishacomrie@gmail.com) T: 01823 602908) Blackdown Hills Transition Group

# Dates for Diary

February 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd	Friday Market, Village Hall, 11am-1pm. 23rd in games room because of Panto.
February 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th	Bowls, Village Hall, 7.30pm.
February 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th	Social Club, Village Hall, 8pm.
February 6th	Luppitt Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 8pm.
February 11th	Private Children's party, Village Hall, Daytime.
February 17th	Private Children's party, Village Hall, Daytime.
February 22nd, 23rd, 24th	<b><u>Luppitt Pantomime,</u></b> Village Hall, 7.30pm. See page 19.
February 8th	The Devil's Violin present "Stolen" at Sheldon Village Hall at 7.30pm. Tel 07999 538 408
March 9th	Lily Neill – Celtic Harpist performs at Sheldon Village Hall at 7.30pm. Tel 07999 538 408

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