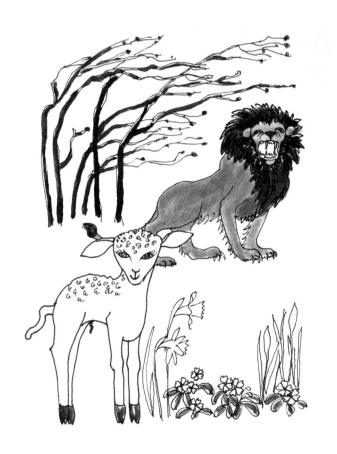
Luppitt Packet



March 2018

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<www.luppittparishcouncil.co.uk>

Location of defibrillators - Village Hall, EX14 4RT

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

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

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I can't get used to the weather! Beautiful, sunny frosty glittery one day, then grey, damp and warm the next. I wish it would settle down to some consistency.

Rev John Hayhoe has arrived in his Parishes and into the vicarage. He and his family are most welcome. See page 22 for his letter.

I am very much looking forward to the Luppitt Pantomime. Very best wishes to everyone involved and see you then.

Have a jolly Easter.

Lindsey Dalgety

Blackdown Hills AONB, Environmental Education Volunteers Here is an opportunity for those who enjoy volunteering for activities in the community! See page 42. Should be interesting.

Many thanks to Julia for the cover—"in like a lion, out like a lamb".

We would just like to say a big thank you to those that supported WHERE on Saturday night when the Rivertones performed in Luppitt. It was a very enjoyable evening and raised in the region of £625.00

Barbara Thorne

LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk's report of a Meeting of Luppitt Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Tuesday, 6 February 2018 at 8 pm

Present: Cllrs John Thorne (Chairman), David Barlow, Tom Nancarrow, Paul Prettejohn, Andrew Tucker, David Key (EDDC), Iain Chubb (DCC and EDDC), Rosalind Buxton (clerk) and two members of the public

Receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Gavin Brake (Vice-Chairman), Brian Pulman and PCSO 30017 Darren England

Minutes of previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 2 January 2018, were unanimously agreed and signed as a correct record of that meeting (proposed by Cllr Thorne and seconded by Cllr Tucker).

Declaration of Interest

Cllr Tucker declared an interest in items 2.1.3 (update on slurry lagoon), 3.2 (Parish Maintenance) and 3.2.1 (work between Hillend and Sharcombe) as he will be carrying out the work or has carried out the work.

PLANNING

Applications (for comment, support or objection)

17/2802/FUL – The Old Post Office, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4RT – replace front porch (west elevation), single storey rear extension and link to log store, demolish existing log store at end of detached garage and reform new roof structure including slate roof, LPG tank, insert 2 number windows in side (north elevation), replace front path and new gate and fence to front

17/2801/LBC - The Old Post Office, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4RT - various works

The consultation period for these two applications had passed but Cllr Pulman had visited the property to view the works that were planned. The Parish Council has no objections and supports this planning application.

The meeting was then suspended to allow the two members of the public to talk about the following planning application.

18/0178/FUL – **Ford Farm, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4TR** – demolition of existing side extension and construction of single storey side extension; addition of two dormer windows to the front elevation and addition of one dormer window to rear elevation.

The two members of the public had brought a full set of plans with them and were able to explain in detail the work that would be carried out. The Parish

Council was happy with the proposal and will support the planning application. The Chairman thanked the parishioners for taking the time to come to speak to the Parish Councillors. The parishioners then left and the meeting resumed.

17/1381/MFUL – slurry lagoon at Higher Wick

This planning application had been referred to the Development Management Committee meeting at EDDC on 6 February. However, when the Agenda was published, the clerk noticed that this planning application was not listed. The clerk contacted Cllr Key who in turn spoke to Planning East who advised that they have asked for further information from the applicant's agent. Planning officers are concerned at the gradient of the slope and have asked why the lagoon cannot be dug into the side of the hill which would result in far less material having to be imported to the site. There was a general discussion on the situation. Cllr Key undertook to keep the Parish Council fully informed of any developments.

17/2466/FUL – Barn to the south west of Windsor Farm, Luppitt, Honiton, EX14 4SY – change of barn to dwelling

Planning East had recommended refusal of this application on the grounds that the village location is not sustainable. Cllr Key had objected to this recommendation and the application was referred to the Development Management Committee on 6 February. The committee voted to reject the officer's recommendation and the planning application was approved.

Neighbourhood Plan

Unfortunately, the meeting arranged with Roger Hicks on 5 January had to be postponed. After discussion, it was agreed that the clerk will liaise with Roger Hicks and the Parish Council to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet to discuss the first full draft of the Neighbourhood Plan. The clerk was pleased to report that the application for further funding has been successful and the Parish Council has been granted a further £2,000 towards work to be carried out on the Neighbourhood Plan. This money must be spent by the end of March 2018 so it is important to move the Plan forward as quickly as possible.

The Greater Exeter Strategic Plan

The Chairman and Roger Hicks had attended a seminar arranged by the Campaign for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE). The seminar covered the number of houses to be built within the area up to 2040. The strategy being followed has encouraged a number of large house builders to come forward with new sites. It is intended that a draft document will be produced by the end of 2018 with the hope of it being adopted by 2020. It was not felt that this would impact directly on Luppitt.



Finding the best beer in town doesn't take a lot of investigating



Parish Highways programme Update on Items to Report as follows

Item Reported	Action	Status
Pennythorne Cross to Barn Cross – road subsidence	W17997496 W171026228	Assessment completed 13.04.17 Assessment date 16.08.17
Potholes and severe drop-off at edge of tarmac from Over- day Farm towards Gully Lane Numerous potholes close to Coombeshead junction to-	W17997499 and W17997501 W171006493	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Assessment completed
wards Ringborough Cross – edge of road deterioration	W171016196 and	19.05.17 Assessment date
	W171016198	11.07.17
Pothole outside Dolish Farmhouse	W17980514	Pothole completed Springbox at Sparrows Croft still awaiting com- pletion. Work will probably be carried out Jan/Feb.
Several potholes Ringborough Cross to Luppitt Common – road subsidence	W17997507 W171006497 and W171006503 W171016212 W181077450 (Jan 18)	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Assessment completed 19.05.17 Assessment date 11.07.17 Assessment completed 23.01.18
Sharcombe to Mattys Cross – several potholes and general deterioration of road	W17997529 W171016204	Assessment completed 18.04.17 Assessment date 11.07.17
	W181077459 (Jan 18)	Assessment completed 23.01.18
Several potholes Beacon to Sharcombe and road deterio- ration above Shelves	W17997530	Assessment completed 18.04.17
	W171016209	Assessment date 11.07.17

Maple Cross to Pound Farm – road subsidence	W17989887	Assessment completed 10.04.17
	W171016212	Assessment date 11.07.17
At Robin's Bungalow and Smithenhayes – road needs reinstating 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 for a couple of months (from June). Marked area has now been increased.
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 Clerk has reported to NHO from Luppitt PC Parishioner has also reported to NHO (Jan 18)
Pothole between the houses at Millrise and the cattle grid	W171059008	Assessment date 13.12.17
Approaching the north end of Gully Lane from Riggles – numerous potholes and edge of road deterioration	Clerk to report	New

Parish Maintenance

Cllr Barlow thanked Cllr Tucker for the work carried out on the layby between Ford Cottage and Whitehall Farm.

Cllr Tucker advised that he has carried out the work between Coombeshead and Ringborough Cross. The Parish Council has secured funding from the Highway Community Enhancement Fund for 50% of the total cost. The Chairman undertook to take photos of the work.

A parishioner had reported to the clerk that there are several potholes between Hillend and Sharcombe. Money towards work on ditching and drainage on this stretch of road has been granted under the Highway Community Enhancement Fund. Cllr Tucker will be carrying out this work in the near future. Highways had undertaken to patch the surface once Cllr Tucker's work is completed.

County Councillor Budget

The Neighbourhood Highways Officer had indicated to the clerk that the County Councillor representative had access to a budget that could be used for work on lower category roads. Cllr Chubb said that he was meeting Helen Selby, the NHO, the next day and would raise the matter with her.

Overhanging Hedges

The NHO had been asked whether the field hedge on the opposite side of the road to Robin's Bungalow could be done at the same time as the hedges from Halsdon to Smithenhayes Bungalow are being done. This stretch of road is being closed for road works at the beginning of March and this could be an ideal time to deal with the overhanging hedges. It was also noted that extensive work is being carried out by the landowner on the overhanging hedge between Ford Bridge and the A30. The clerk will pass on this information to the NHO.

Parishes Together Fund

The clerk confirmed receipt of £421.30 from this fund which must be spent by the end of March 2018. This money will be put towards ditch clearing already carried out by Cllr Tucker at Shaugh, Wick Road and Pit Hill, the ditch opposite Little Shelvin Lane and at Pennythorne. The Chairman confirmed he will take photos of the work carried out.

Items for lengthsman's visit (19.02.18)

Ditches in the following areas need attention:
Maple Cross to Mohuns Ottery
Pound Farm uphill to the Beacon
Corner House (Churchlands) to Greenlands

Grit bin

Cllr Chubb asked for the email requesting a grit bin to be forwarded to him again and he will discuss with the NHO.

Road Warden Scheme

This item will be discussed at the next meeting as Cllr Pulman was away.

FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

Completion of P3 forms

The clerk will complete these forms with input from Cllr Nancarrow. The sign by Turf House that points to footpath 14 has still not been replaced. The clerk will follow up with Ros Davies.

ENVIRONMENT/COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Community Policing Report

1 crime reported between 02.01.18 and 06.02.18 – breach a court order (contact made to victim on mobile device by known offender) – ongoing investigation.

The Planning Inspectorate - footpaths 60, 61 and 62 Luppitt

The Chairman had been advised by the Planning Inspectorate that an interested party had requested a hearing on this issue rather than adopting the written representations procedure. The Chairman understood that this request has now been withdrawn so will await further developments.

Litter Pick

It was agreed that this should take place every two years.

Battle's Over

This item will be discussed at the next meeting.

Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed to call this meeting on Tuesday, 17 April 2018, provided that the hall is free. The clerk will approach Devon Air Ambulance to see if they can provide a speaker.

ADMINISTRATION

Review of Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, Internal Controls, Risk Assessment and Register of Interests

All these items were reviewed and accepted unanimously (proposed by Cllr Barlow, seconded by Cllr Nancarrow).

Appointment of Internal Auditor

It was agreed to appoint David Hinchcliffe as Internal Auditor for the financial year ending 31 March 2018 (proposed by Cllr Tucker, seconded by Cllr Barlow).

Correspondence

The clerk read out letters of thanks from TRIP, Devon Air Ambulance, Citizens Advice East Devon, Royal British Legion and Mrs Dalgety, on behalf of the Luppitt Packet, for the S137 donations made by Luppitt Parish Council.

Casual Vacancy

The clerk has put a notice advertising the vacancy in the Luppitt Packet, on all three noticeboards and on the website.

Course on General Data Protection Regulations

New, far-reaching regulations are coming into effect in May 2018. The clerk will attend a course run by DALC on this in April.

Chairman's Discretion

There were no items.

Questions from the Public

There were no questions and the meeting closed at 10 pm.

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

6th March 2018 3rd April 2018 17th April 2018, Annual Parish Meeting. 1st May 2018, AGM of the Parish Council.

LUPPITT ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

the Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Village Hall

on Tuesday, 17 April 2018

at 8 pm

Everyone is welcome to come along to this annual meeting of the parish

LUPPITT'S NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The consultation draft of Luppitt's Neighbourhood Plan has now been completed.

Please come to a meeting in the Village Hall on

Wednesday, 7 March 2018, at 7.30 pm.

The Neighbourhood Plan affects everyone living and working in the parish. It is your opportunity to put your views forward.

There will be a presentation by Roger Hicks and copies of the consultation document will be available to take home after the meeting.

We hope to see as many people as possible in the Village Hall to take part in the meeting.

Please contact the Parish Clerk, Rosalind Buxton, on 01404 861565 or email luppittclerk@yahoo.co.uk for further information.

GARDEN JOTTINGS

by D.Street

Nerines are pink autumn flowering bulbs. So you might be wondering why I'm writing about Nerines now. There are plenty of spectacular tulips or crocuses to write about at this time of the year.

Well, I grow Nerines, and they often do start even in a mild January. Some growers advise planting newly bought Nerines as early as then. Myself I pot them up and set them out later in the year, when leaves and roots are clearing growing, and there're no worries about cold or frost or excessive rain.

The common pink Nerine, Nerine Bowdenii, the ones you see everywhere in parks and gardens in autumn, was collected in South Africa and sent home to Devon around the turn of the last century. It soon established itself in the South West. When I lived near London years ago, I don't remember nerines at all. I first noticed them in Torre Abbey Gardens in Torquay around 1970. Nerine Bowdenii is pretty hardy, so I expect they've spread around since then.

Apart from Mr Bowden's contribution to horticulture, many other Nerines live in mountainous places in South Africa. Most will not survive outside in our wet northern climate, though they are not tropical plants. Many are pink, but there are red Nerines, like Fothergill's or Corusca. These however need a dry summer and only light frosts in winter, the season they grow their leaves.

Many attempts have been made to breed a hardy red Nerine. Several crosses were made by Terry Jones here in Devon with names like Zeal Giant, Zeal Plum or Zeal Grilse. A major problem with interbreeding nerines is that hybrids are not usually fertile, so there is no Mendelian second generation. I have found hybrids either don't have seed or the offspring reverts to pink.

Nerines are best grown near a sunny south facing wall, which will also keep early frost from the flowers. They are not fast growers. Seedlings take 3 or 4 years to flower and bulbs take several years to form sizeable clumps. Nerines grow in rocky places. They don't like heavy clay and should be given good drainage. High nitrogen fertilisers should be avoided.

Recently white nerines have come onto the market - Bowdenii Alba,often with a touch of pink especially in the buds - Perla Blanca or with an Italian accent Bianca -

Gletscher. These may not be quite as hardy as the pinks, and some form of protection is advisable below say minus five. Some of these whites are infected with virus and may have blotches and stripes on the leaves. Seedlings are not usually infected. Nerine Flexuosa Alba is another pure white Nerine. Though not a Bowdenii and with leaves in winter, it is said to be reasonably hardy. The leaves die off in June and July, when it should be fairly dry.

The Lycoris bulb family, sometimes called Spider Lilies, is closely related to Nerines with very similar flowers in white, pinks and reds. Attempts have been made to interbreed them with nerines, just as nowadays you can get Nerine Amarylis hybrids like Amarines. Many Lycoris have leaves in winter including Lycoris Aurea from China. Lycoris Aurea, the golden spider lily, looks like a bright yellow Nerine.

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

Tickets: £12 (under 18s free) from Odette's Tearoom, Wellington (01823 667919), Taunton Visitor Centre (01823 340470), online at www.wellingtonchoralsociety.org.uk or on the door

Honiton Mobile Library at MOUNTSTEPHENS FARM

March 28th Arrive 12.30pm Depart 1pm



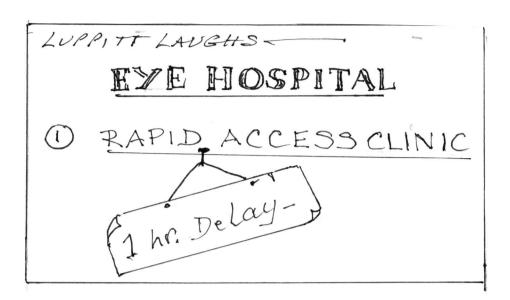
Music and Movement for Children.

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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

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SUNDAY ROAST

Luppitt Village Hall Sunday 18th 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 23rd March



Doors Open 7.00pm Eyes Down 7.30pm

Luppitt Entertainments Committee Dates for your Diary 2018

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



Follow us on Facebook at Luppitt Events

Luppitt Wives

Our March meeting will be on Thursday, 15th March at 8pm.

The venue and programme to be announced.

Bellringers Outing

The Ringers outing will be on Saturday 28th April, to the Clovelly and North Devon area.

Full details in the April Packet. Names, please, of those who would like to go, to Pearl Pulman on 10404 891234.



Return of Barnfield's

Bangers & Mash Quiz Night

Friday 16th March 2018 7.00pm Start

Venue: Luppitt Village Hall

Suggested Donation of £6 pp, includes Sausage & Mash Supper (vegetarian option available) Licensed Bar and Raffle.

Maximum of 8 people per team.

Booking Essential: Contact Ben or Chrissy on 01404 891457

Please confirm booking by 14/03/2018

Charity No: 265249



Forthcoming Services at St Mary's

Sunday 4 March 9:30 am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion *

Wednesday 7 March 9:00 am Morning Prayer †

Sunday 11 March 11:00 am Mothering Sunday Service †

Sunday 18 March 11:00 am Common Worship Holy Communion ‡

Wednesday 21 March 9:00 am Morning Prayer †

Sunday 25 March 11:00 am All Age Worship §

Friday 30 March 12:30 pm raising the Crosses on Hartridge

Sunday 1 April 11:00 am Easter Holy Communion †

Revd John Fairweather † Revd John Hayhoe ‡ Revd Stephen Treeby officiating \$ lay led

Please remember ...

The church is open every day for private prayer

Church cleaning and flower rota

3 March Pearl Pulman & Mary Joyce

10 March Christine Page-Turner & Olive Clapp

17 March Shirley Crabb & Beryl Hardwick

24 March Jean Gardiner & Joy Tofts

31 March Pat Bussey & Pearl Pulman

Easter decorations - all

7 April Carole Thorne, Jean Hooper, Wendy Clapp & Mary Hill

only greenery during Lent, please

Other Services in the Mission Community

	St Andrew's Broadhembury	St Nicholas' Dunkeswell	St John the Baptist Plymtree	St James the Greater St Mary the Virgin Sheldon Upottery	St Mary the Virgin Upottery
Sunday 4 March	9:30 am CW Holy Communion	11:00 am Baptism & Holy Communion	11:00 am Family Service	9:30 am Family Service	11:00 am Morning Prayer
Sunday 11 March	10:00 am Mothering Sunday	11:00 am Mothering Sunday	9:15 am Mothering Sunday Holy Communion	9:30 am Mothering Sunday	11:00 am Mothering Sunday Holy Communion
Sunday 18 March	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
Palm Sunday 25 March	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
Maundy Thursday 29 March			7:30 pm Mission Community Service		
Good Friday 30 March	9:30 am Meditation	11:00 am Good Friday Service			2:30 pm Meditation
Easter Sunday 1 April	9:30 am Holy Communion	11:00 am Holy Communion	11:00 am Holy Communion	9:30 am Holy Communion	11:00 am Holy Communion

every	Wednesday
2nd & 4th	Tuesdays
1st & 3rd	Thursdays
1st & 3rd	Tuesdays
2nd & 4th	Thursdays
Morning Prayer	(all at 9:00 am)

Letter from Rev John Hayhoe.

My family have finally moved into the Rectory – all of our possessions have arrived from New Zealand. Now all we have to do is to unpack it all and get everything into the right place, even if the right place is back into a box and into the garage. We were very aware when we moved that we had been part of a very loving community and hoped that we would find ourselves part of such a community again. It is wonderful to be able to say that yes, we have found ourselves in such a community again, well, six communities actually. As Christians we are called to be in relationship with one another, to be community. I have already found some wonderful examples of it in the six communities in the way that we have been welcomed and also, and much more importantly, in the way that I have seen people helping people. I gave a sermon on this theme a couple of weeks ago – here is the introduction:

"There are two kinds of people in the world.... Okay, quick digression. Every time I start a sentence with, "There are two kinds of people," I think of Mark Twain, who said, "There are two kinds of people in the world, people who classify the world into two kinds of people, and people who don't." (I also think of the boy, - who said to his Father after he miscalculated the time it would take to get to a destination one day -- "Dad, there are three kinds of people in the world: people who can do maths, and people who can't.") Twain's point is obvious: we should be careful about classifying the world into just two kinds of people. But I'm still going to do it. (Okay, okay, so by now you've realised I'm stalling to raise the suspense. Well, the wait is over.)

"So...there are two kinds of people in the world: people who need help, and people who need to help. Or, you could say that another way -- there are two kinds of people in the world: people who need care, and people who need a calling. Or try this, there are two kinds of people in the world: people who need succour and people who need to serve. (I realise we don't use "succour" all that often, but I think that though it's an old word it's also occasionally a good one; plus, I was looking for something that started with "s" to go with serve)

"And, of course, no matter how you describe it, we all can be either one of those people at any given time and, indeed, have been. So the question I consider asking each and every Sunday to each and all of you is this: "Where are you today? Do you need help, or do you need to help? Do you need care, or do you need a calling?" And after getting answers, I could then direct those in need of care to join up with some of those who need a calling so they

can take care of each other and, in turn, move out from the church to care for the world."

Someone came to our door the other day to deliver the Midweek Herald. I had heard that he had lost his license for six months having a had a "health event"; he is finding that whenever he needs of a lift to do anything that someone offers, sometimes before he realises that he needs a lift. In a rural community, since time began, people have needed to help and have found that there is almost always someone there wanting to help — when there has been a fire in a barn or some stock have got out, when there has been a drought and therefore not enough feed for the winter. Most farmers I have known don't think about helping their neighbour, they just do it. This attitude really is part of our DNA and most absolutely central to the Christian faith.

Lily Neill, Celtic harpist to perform at Sheldon Village Hall, Friday 9th March 7.30pm

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Tickets £10 adult, £6 child available from Siobhan on Tel 07999 538 408 or by email on smurphy315bb@gmail.com

Please book early to ensure your ticket.

Also to follow at Sheldon Village Hall:

Friday 13th April 7.30pm Melange – music from the Mediterranean and North Africa Tickets £10 adult and £5 child



First Café



Hemyock Village Hall



Saturday 24th March 2018
10 am to 12 poop

Bring along items that might be repaired including electrical, bicycles, clothing and textiles, computers, furniture, ceramics and garden tools.

Volunteers will be on hand during the morning to assist.

There will be a selection of repair materials available, or please do bring your own.

Tea, Coffee and Cake will be on sale

Donations for Repairs Welcome







The Blackdown Hills Repair Café is an initiative of the Blackdown Hills Transition Group.

Contact trishacomrie@gmail.com or 01823 602908 for more information. Village Hall Postcode is EX15 3QW.

2017 GRAZING OF LUPPITT COMMONS ROUGH SPOTS

The Trustees of Luppitt Commons invite applications from those Commoners with grazing rights to summer graze the Commons Rough Spots, including the reclaimed land on Hense Moor

It is expected that these will be available from:
March 2018 until 31 October 2018 for improved grassland
March 2018 until 1 December 2018 for unimproved grassland
These dates are subject to conditions being suitable

FOR 2017 GRAZING OF ROUGH SPOTS ON HENSE MOOR TO THE STANDARDS REQUIRED UNDER THE HLS AGREEMENT WILL ATTRACT PAYMENTS TO THE GRAZIER OF £30 PER HEAD OF CATTLE

Please apply in writing to the Secretary of the Trustees
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Mr Kevin Lockyer,
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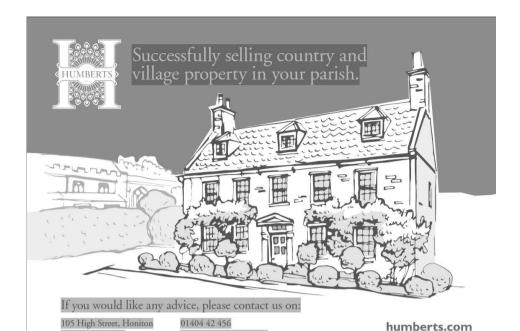


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Blackdown Hills AONB Environmental Education Volunteers Role Profile

Background

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We have a team of staff and volunteers who work in the Blackdown Hills AONB helping to protect and enhance the landscape and provide opportunities for local communities to become involved.

Our teams undertake a wide variety of work and projects including working with volunteers to undertake habitat management work, wildlife surveys, setting up community groups and much more. We are now looking to set up a programme of environmental education in 10 primary schools aimed at 5 to 11 year old children with the goal of engaging them in the unique and special wildlife found in the Blackdown Hills AONB.

In order to make this work we are looking to recruit a team of Environmental Education Volunteers to work as a team alongside Catherine Farnell (Environment and Heritage Educator) to support this projects work. This team of volunteers will be key to making this project happen, helping us to deliver the environmental education sessions in 10 schools.

What will this role involve?

We are looking for someone who can commit approximately 10 half days (although we are happy to be flexible about this) to work alongside Catherine Farnell and the other volunteers recruited to deliver this project. The role will involve helping to support the following:

- -Delivery of outdoor lessons involving pond dipping, mini-beast hunts, wildflower, tree and bird identification and habitat creation activities such as making bug hotels and bee homes.
- -Assisting with the planning of lessons including creation of resources and helping to transport resources if needed
- -Recording your volunteering hours
- -Promoting the Blackdown Hills AONB and how it can benefit the children and teachers within the school

What skills do you need?

We are looking for someone with some or all of the following skills:

- -The ability to work as a team to ensure smooth and professional delivery of lessons
- -Confident working with a wide variety of people and ages
- -Experience working in schools and delivery exciting and inspiring experiences for Key Stage 1 and 2.
- -The ability to inspire and motivate young people
- -Experience identifying wildlife and inspiring others about the natural world
- -Competent in the use Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint
- -Attention to detail and able to forward plan to meet deadlines
- -A good command of the English language
- -Driving Licence

What's in it for you?

- -Experience working within the conservation sector with volunteers, members of staff and our AONB partners.
- -Full training is provided
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- -Experience in the planning, delivery and review of projects
- -Experience working in environmental education, working in schools and a variety of Key Stages.
- -Experience in planning, delivery and review of lessons and the creation of resources
- -Opportunity to work in the Blackdown Hills AONB Office

As a volunteer for the Blackdown Hills AONB you will have the opportunity to be involved in other aspects of volunteering such a wildlife surveys, attending events, and being involved in other community engagement work. You will also gain knowledge about how AONBs work to conserve and enhance the landscape as well as invaluable work experience in the environmental sector.

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March 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th	Bowls, Village Hall 7.30pm.
March 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th	Social Club, Village Hall, 8pm
March 3rd	Private Children's party, Daytime, Village Hall.
March 6th	Luppitt Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 8pm
March 7th	Neighbourhood Plan Meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm see page 11.
March 16th	Barnfield Quiz Night, Village Hall, 7.30pm see page 19.
March 18th	Sunday Roast, Village Hall, 2 sittings : 12.30pm and 1.30pm. See page 16
March 23rd	Easter Bingo, Village Hall, Eyes down 7.30pm
March 9th	Sheldon Village Hall, Lily Neill—Celtic harpist. 7.20pm see page 23.

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