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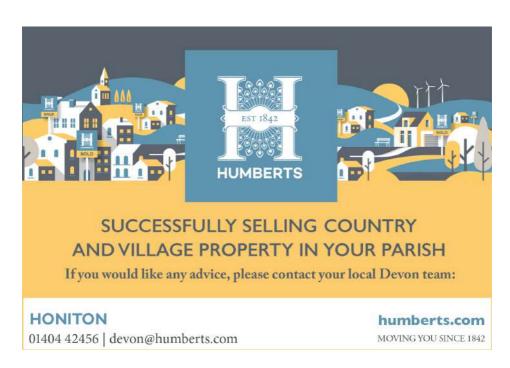




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Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II gave us a lifetime of public service, that leaves us with an enormous debt of gratitude. Our sympathies are with the Royal Family.



THE LUPPITT PACKET

While carrying out the initial preparation for this October edition of the Luppitt Packet, the news broke that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II had died. We send our deepest condolences. Her dignity, sincerety and dedication are without parallel. The sun has set on an era.

This months poignant Cover Art submitted by Julia Sparks

Trevor, Martin & Luppitt packet team

Serving: Luppitt, Beacon, Shaugh, Shelvin and Wick

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We have created a Luppitt Packet website **www.luppittpacket.co.uk**, so that from time-to-time we can share more colour photos and background.

Our archive of PDF copies of The Packet dating from 2010 up to the current edition will continue on the website www.luppitt.net, which is hosted by Peter Sage, and contains a wealth of information about Luppitt – its history, people, photos, family trees etc.

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What's on

October

Tues. 4 Luppitt Parish Council meeting 8:00pm

Sun 9 Upottery Apple day from 12pm

Sat 15 Barn Dance Luppitt Village hall, from 7:30pm

Thur 20 Luppitt Commons annual general meeting 8:00pm

Fri 21 Autumn Bingo 7:00 for 7:30pm

Wed 26 Mobile Library Mountstephens

Thur 27 Memorial Service for Noel Page-Turner at St Marys Church Luppitt 2:15pm

REGULAR EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Village Hub Pub 7:30pm every Wednesday and Friday

Bowls 7.30pm Mondays

Poppy club 10:30 to 12:30 every Tuesday Village hall

Friday Coffee / Market 11am until 1pm Sat 29th Coffee / Market 11am until 1pm

Save the Date

Children's Christmas party December 10th. 11am -1:00 pm. Details in next months Luppitt Packet.

Saturday 12th November – Concert for Ukraine, Doors and bar opens at 6:00pm, Concert commences at 7:00pm

Luppitt Entertainments Committee Events

Friday 21st October 7:00 for 7:30pm – Autumn Bingo

Friday 18th November 7:30 for 8:00pm - Quiz Night

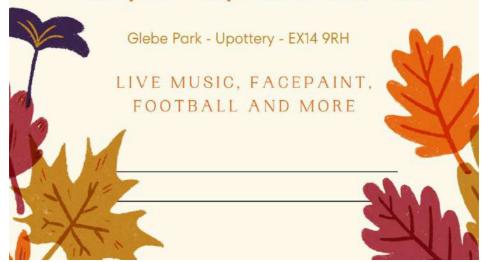
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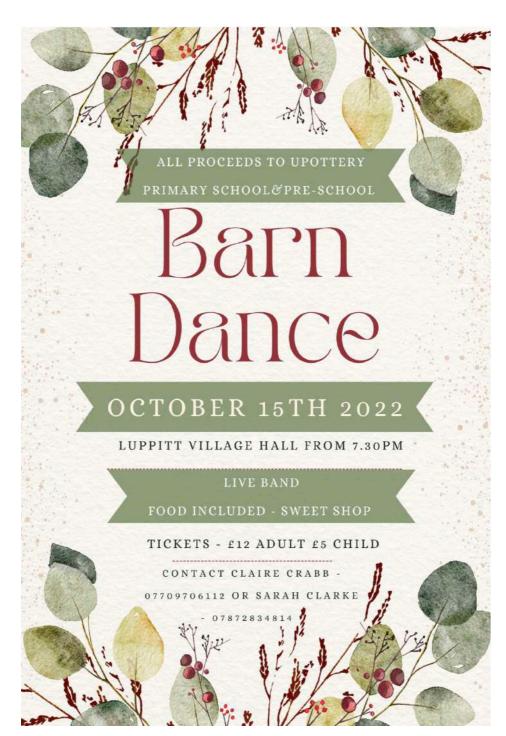


FROM 12PM - SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER

Bring your own apples (and bottles) and press your own apple juice

Pulled pork - soup - mulled cider - cake





Autumn Bingo For all the Family Luppitt Village Hall

Friday 21st October



Bar and Raffle

Please note: Cash Only

Doors Open 7.00pm

Eyes Down 7.30pm

To all junior artists of Luppitt



Design our Christmas front cover Theme:

"Christmas in Luppitt"

Criteria:

Any child living in Luppitt

Age up to 16

Drawn or painted b/w or colour on A4/A5 card / paper

To be submitted by October 30th to one of our editorial team. Name and age on back of entry.

A prize of a £25 voucher for winning entry.

Entries will be judged by two local artists. All entries will be displayed in Village Hall.

Good Luck

Please Note: All pictures to be in portrait orientation like the packet cover



CONCERT FOR UKRAINE

Luppitt Village Hall Saturday 12th November

A Fabulous Evening of Folk, Folk Rock, Ceilidh and Classical Music

First on stage will be mezzo-soprano Iryna Ilnytska. Iryna studied opera at the Conservatory of Classical Music and Jazz in Zurich before moving on to the Academy of Music in Milan.

Also performing in the first half will be Luppitt musicians Robin Nancarrow and Sue Wilson, busking duo 'Blue Sky', plus songs from Becky Cottrell-Jury from Cornwall.

The tempo will rise dramatically in the second half when 'The Walnuts' take over the stage. Everyone in the audience is guaranteed to be foot-tapping and entertained by this five-strong Ceilidh rock band. Founded by Scotsman Davie McGirr, band members include TV presenter, Matt Allwright (from Rogue Traders), and broadcaster Fergus Muirhead.

All proceeds to the Red Cross Ukraine Appeal

Tickets will go on sale mid-September at £10 (as this is a fund raiser, over 18's only please)

To reserve tickets please call

Christine Kalisch – Phone 07592 122884
or email christinejarman25@gmail.com

Doors, licensed bar and coffee bar will open at 6.00pm Performance starts at 7.00pm

If you would like to support but cannot attend the concert, visit: https://www.kindlink.com/fundraising/british-red-cross/5417

Quiz Night

Luppitt Village Hall Friday 18th November 7:30 for 8:00pm



Bar and Raffle

Teams of 6

£6 per head including Supper

Please note: Cash Only

Names to Pat Bussey: 892720
Or email pat.bussey27@gmail.com
By 11th November please



Fun, informal & relaxed carol singing performances

Sunday 4 December

3pm Christingle Service at Luppitt Village Hall

Friday 16 December

8.30pm The Hub Pub at Luppitt Village Hall

Sunday 18 December

1pm The York Inn, Churchingford 2.30pm The Sidmouth Arms, Upottery 6.30pm Carols by Candlelight at St Mary's Church, Luppitt

Rehearsals 4-5pm on Sundays from Sunday 23 October For more information email luppittchristmaschoir@gmail.com or leave a message on 01404 891140



Poets Corner (1)

Philip came to me today, and said it was time to go. I looked at him and smiled, as i whispered that "I know"

I then turned and looked behind me, and saw I was asleep.
All my Family were around me, and I could hear them weep.
I gently touched each shoulder, with Philip by my side.

Then I turned away and walked, with My Angel guide.
Philip held my hand, as he lead the way, to a world where King and Queens, are Monarch's every day.

I was given a crown to wear or a Halo known by some. The difference is up here, they are worn by everyone.

I felt a sense of peace, my reign had seen its end. 70 years I had served my Country, as the people's friend.

Thank you for the years, for all your time and love. Now I am one of two again, in our Palace up above.

Joanne Boyle (heartfelt)

Poets Corner (2)

Elizabeth the Great

The end of an era, the end of a reign,
The end of a life well lived.
The end of a journey for a faithful Queen
who gave all that she had to give.

"I will be your servant "she said,
"If my life be short or long,"
"and if you share this task with me
I know I will be strong."

We trusted this gentle young lady & our future was safe in her hands.
Not just here in Great Britain
But world wide, across many lands.

She gave us all a special pledge on Coronation Day, and lit a spark in British hearts that's still alight today.

So, here we are seven decades later. The years have gone too fast. What can we say but,

"Thank you Ma'am"

"We keep you in our heart"

Anonymous

Noel Frederick August Page-Turner May 6th 1934 - 8th August 2022

He arrived in Luppitt in 1961 when he purchased Woodhayes farm with his wife Christy. They started farming with a 80 head dairy herd, Woodhayes was 1 of the 40 dairy farms in Luppitt at that time. They survived the 1962/63 big freeze, coping with countless burst pipes and joining fellow Luppitt farmers who had to tractor their milk churns to Seaton Junction driving from 11 in the morning until their return at 4 in the afternoon just in time for milking! After several years Noel became chair of the Luppitt Commoners in the late 1970's and served as its chair until the early 2000's just over 20 years of service. He helped steer the commoners through many changes that occurred in farming, common rights law and legislation and made sure that all commoners were treated fairly. He was a great friend and supporter of St Marys Church Luppitt, attending regularly with Christy.

Noel was very much the quintessential English Gentleman, courteous, true to his word, a man of integrity and well-styled. He was calm and measured and put everyone he was talking to at ease. He was

polite and friendly to everyone he encountered. He would always be interested in you and your world. Noel was always willing to step up and help others when he could do so. He believed in fairness and when it came to moral decisions, Noel stood his ground and would not bend if it would harm other people. If he knew you and saw you on Honiton High street he would doff his Hat acknowledging you with a smile."

Noel gave much back to the local community through public service. He completed his national service in the RAF & went on to a fruitful career in the Terriotorial Army. In Devon Noel successfully reestablished "The Royal Devon Yeomanry" after it had been mothballed by defence cuts in the early 1970's. He commanded the Royal Devon Yeomanry & was its Honourary Colonel. He was also second in command of the Royal Wessex Yeomanry, just under 12 years of combined service in the TA.

He was a general commissioner of Income Tax for the Axminster Division. He was governor of Honiton Community College for 20 years and chairman for 14 years. Chairman of the Honiton Festival, vice chairman and president of Honiton District Agricultural Association, President of the Honiton Chamber of commerce. Perhaps his most rewarding act of service was his role with the Northbrooke Community Trust which provides financial assistance to children's charities in Devon. Noel with his dedication as a trustee and chair of the finance committee helped to transform the financial fortunes of the Trust, which is now able to give more help to changing the lives of disadvantaged young people in Devon. Perhaps the pinnacle of all his public service in Devon was his appointment as a life serving Deputy Lieutenant of Devon and his year serving as High Sheriff of Devon in 1997. He organized a collection of apple trees native to Devon as a gift from the people of Devon presented to her Majesty the Queen to mark her Golden Jubilee in 2003. The orchard is now thriving at Sandringham estate, with a duplicate Orchard in Cockington Devon.

Greg Page -Turner



Noel Frederick August Page-Turner

LUPPITT PACKET TEA - THANK YOU

This year the Luppitt Packet tea raised over £200, which will go towards the cost of printing the Packet.

A huge thank you to Louisiana and Julian for hosting the event and providing the delicious Pimms.

To all who made and donated the scrumptious cakes and to all those who helped on the day to make it such a super occasion.

The winner of the Treasure Hunt was Miranda. The treasure was located in the Holly tree next to Holly cottage. Joy won the House Quiz, and Reggie guessed how many sweets were in the Jar.











Garden Jottings

I am actually writing this in August, and our apple tree is littering the ground underneath with yellow leaves. I've already swept up two basketfuls, and now I'm filling up a third. At the middle of September I doubt it'll grow new leaves for me to sweep up later.

There's a hazel next to it that's doing pretty much the same. Our oaks too are shedding leaves and whole twigs. In the distance through a new gap in the hedge we can see a large tree burning orange in the drought.

Recently a live power line came down, nearly setting the dry hedge and field next door on fire. We had an exciting afternoon with firemen, electric men and tree surgeons descending upon us and leaving the gap in the hedge. But rain has now arrived. There'll be no more fires or orange trees. Everything is getting back to normal.

We have several small Chrysanthemums, originally from Jean Gardner now growing rapidly. They are in pots, as I'm not sure how hardy they are. They're easy to propagate from young shoots in spring. Now the dry spell is over they are bursting into yellow, dark red and creamy white.



David Street

LUPPITT COMMONS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WILL BE HELD ON

THURSDAY 20th OCTOBER 2022

AT 8.00 PM

IN THE LUPPITT VILLAGE HALL

ALL COMMONERS WELCOME

A Luppitt Stroll

Autumnally speaking, September has been a dummy run, it's really a summer month in disguise. But now that October has arrived, the autumn speaks up as it should. Save for a few Swallows and Martins flying over the house to an uncertain future, the summer migrants have departed. And rather than offering a few timid blushes, the leaves are turning shockingly red, and many-at lastare beginning to fall.

I am off on a wander. I am heading off to Hartridge, and intend to do the loop around this plateau, with stunning views at every angle. Seeing the extraordinary and the beautiful in places isn't a spectator sport. Life isn't a show that's put on with the aim of having you entertained rooted to your seat eating popcorn, in fact the world can look guite uneventful, and uninteresting, to those who wait to be entertained. A tree falling in a forest makes no sound if no-one's there to hear it. The beauty in Luppitt needs beholders, and is the work of more than one party. And it isn't even hard work. Going out on a stroll is the best way I know of putting myself in lucks way. Widen my horizons rather than shrink around the narrow range of my own inherited circumstances and interests. The more I walk, the less I realise I know..

Starting at the church car park, I wander down the hill passing the Old Vicarage and Dipsy Doodle. I

stop to admire the new tiles on the roof of the Luppitt Inn. Walking on, passing The Mede, Combe Rise, Clematis cottage and Sparrow croft. It is quite a rainy day, and I am hoping it clears up when I get to the other side of the valley. I turn left at Dolish farm on my way to a footpath near to Snooks. I stop at Cole Hill bridge, where the water is very high. Luck is with me, I spot a starling, in fact there are several. It's the heart of autumn, and most birds are now free agents. Apart from the species that pair for the long term. all have shaken off any responsibilities towards a partner. All the children have left forever. Individuals are not tied to dependents nest or territory. For a few months at least the only burden they will carry is themselves, and their only responsibilities will be to their own survival. We might expect the newly unfettered individuals to sigh with relief and keep themselves to themselves. But in fact I have been told the reverse is true. October is a month when everyone seems to be going around in flocks. Far from being retiring, the majority of birds are suddenly sociable. Starlings are always sociable, but their flocks become huge in October.

Heading up the hill, I eventually spot the footpath on my right, heading up the path through a small woodland ,passing Snooks on my right, I arrive at the lane from Hill end farm. Crossing over

this and heading up the hill, I reach the Main Highway from Upottery, Sanders lane. Crossing the lane, I head through the gate and walk on past the locally known railway carriage. I am in luck, the rain has cleared. At the end of this short track, I can go through the gate in the corner of the field to my left, or carry on round to my right. Opting to go right, the long track spreads out before me. I see a swarm of long tailed tits. A huge flock of birds! What is unusual is the membership of this flock. Other flocks of birds are made up of strangers that might get to know each other over the course of time, might eventually form pairs, but harbour no genetic links. Long tailed tits however, almost uniquely, consort with their blood relatives, and their flocks consist of birds that know each other intimately. Each group is built around a senior adult pair, and they are accompanied by their offspring from the breeding season just past. In addition to this family unit are a variable number of aunts and uncles.

Reaching the end of the long track , just before dropping into Beacon, I turn right through a gate towards a field . There are no animals here today, and before me, I look out across to Dumpdon hill and an expanse of rolling countryside that is stunning. This is a living for the moment sight. A couple walk towards me, we exchange hellos like people who've left everything irrelevant miles behind us. I have a thirst after this long stretch. It's strange how cool water tastes like an exquisite wine at this stage. Carrying on around the footpath, looking towards the northwest and down into Luppitt village. The footpath leads on across the top of Hartridge , back to the parking area and the footpath leading home. I retrace my steps down into the village and prepare myself for Church hill.

Trevor Bevan



A loan tree on Hartridge

Quiz Page

Find the names..... 1. Things rule..... 2. Ole gold eyes 3. Tram jar manager 4. Yea is swirl 5. Sip sulk ajar..... 6. Fair many 7. Shame mint rely 8. Crew duke rant 9. Lump are plan 10. Rich nest rye rid..... 11. Shin them pest 12. Acorn nan saves war..... 13. A busy step 14. Ever sty reb 15. Spit now reel 16. Ted sit raved 17. Yer coy jam 18. See junk sin

All the names are from Luppitt. Most of them can be found in the Luppitt Packet

Answers in next month's Edition

Jacky Omalley

Chicken and Mushroom Risotto

Ingredients

50g butter

85g smoked bacon cut into small strips (lardons)

1 large onion (chopped)

250g sliced field or chestnut mushrooms

300g risotto rice

150 ml of white wine (optional)

1.4L chicken stock

140g cooked chicken (chopped)

50g grated parmesan

Chopped parsley



Method

- 1. Fry the bacon in butter until golden, add the onion and fry until soft.
- 2. Stir in the mushrooms and cook for five minutes. Add the rice and cook for two minutes.
- 3. Pour in the wine and a quarter of the chicken stock. Cook gently for 20 mins, stirring occasionally.
- Add the rest of the stock gradually until the rice is cooked and most of the stock has been absorbed (you may not need all the stock). Stir occasionally. The texture should now be creamy.
- Stir though the cooked chicken and ensure it is heated through. Add the parmesan and parsley, stir then cover and rest for five minutes before seasoning and serving.

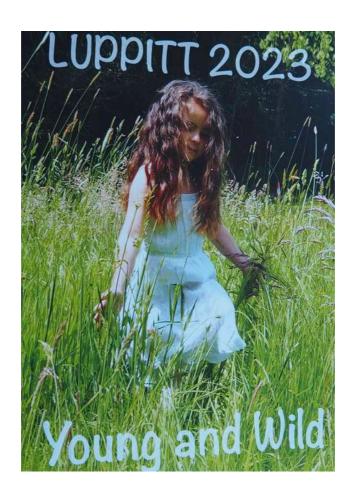
This recipe offers an excellent opportunity for foragers when field mushrooms are at their best.

The recipe can be adjusted. The chicken and bacon could be removed and soaked dried porcini mushrooms added, or just use bacon and mushrooms.

Try grilling some of the mushrooms for a crunchy topping which will also boost flavour.

Submitted by Mary Hill

Luppitt calendars are now available £7 each of which £3 goes to support Devon Air Ambulance. For sale at Friday market or ring Jacky on: 07432009301



Luppitt Village Fete

This was the first time the popular flower show was paired up with a Fete in Luppitt. The flower show returning after a Covid forced two year break, whilst the fete returned after a much longer absence!

Many thanks are due to those who organised the flower show, in the driest summer for years. Somehow the people of Luppitt still produced many quality exhibits, with winners announced elsewhere. The Fete meanwhile spread out around the grass behind the hall, with stalls in the shade of many tents. These ranged from cool milkshakes, cooking utensils, to local paintings and home made cakes. The entertainments committee arranged delicious cream teas, much appreciated ice creams, a bar and various competitions/activities to keep the young and old entertained. Some winners were instantly awarded their prizes, whilst others had to wait until later to receive their's.

- Guess the sheep weight Lucy Murray
- Guess the sheep name- Answer Damian
- Welly wanging Mens, Oliver Stone (nearly 30m)
 - Ladies, Louise Summer (nearly 17m)
 - Childrens, Lochan Kohli (22.5 m)
- Treasure hunt May Bowsher
- Guess the weight of the cake Oliver Burdge

Other activities included the stocks (great in the heat). Giant Kerplonk, splat the rat, hook a duck and some coin rolling thingy.

Overall the event was considered a success, enjoyed by many and will be repeated, but better.

Submitted by Phil Smith

In a spot? Talk to Auntie Dot!

Luppitt's Dottiest advice column...

Dear Auntie Dot,
My husband is spending more
and more time on the farm and
being far more attentive to his
sheep than to me. I feel that he
is neglecting me as his wife.
What can I do to remind him
that I should be his priority
without "nagging" him?

Dear Reader.

This sounds like a very trying time for you so allow me to suggest a few solutions?

Firstly I would add a few wooly items to your daily wardrobe. A jumper here... a pair of socks there. Remind him that the things he love exist within the house as well

It might also help if you start bleating occasionally while he isn't paying attention. Try to pavlov's dog it, see if that works!

Dear Auntie Dot,
I am very concerned by the
alarming rate at which my
vegetable garden is growing. I
am running out of ways to use
tomatoes and carrots in every
meal and fear that if I eat
another courgette I may turn
into one! How do I cope with
the absolute glut I have on my

Dear Reader,

First things first, congratulations on your wonderful garden! Second of all, don't fret a jot, the answer is to simply go to each house in the village and sneak your vegetables through their postboxes. I'm sure they all have overflowing gardens of their own, but if you're really careful, they won't be able to stop you.

Also I have a wonderful tomato and courgette muffin recipe that I'm hoping to share next month.

Dear Auntie Dot, How should I fix my tractor with a flat tyre? I don't have a pump and am unsure that I will be able to get it all the way to Tesco to use the air at their petrol station. Any advise greatly appreciated.

Dear Reader,

What a conundrum you seem to be in but I think I know just the thing... Now, you will need some equipment for this solve.

Namely, a straw. It does take a little bit of effort and it might help if you're used to the feeling of hyperventilating but all you do is stick the straw over the pump valve and blow repeatedly. I haven't tried this method myself but it should do the trick, though if you're an asthmatic I recommend asking a friend or family member to help you.

UPOTTERY SCHOOL

Dear parents and carers

Our new school year has started with the incredibly sad news of the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. As we now move into a period of national mourning, we have started to reflect on the life and reign of the queen with the children. As the longest reigning monarch, she has been a figure of stability as the head of state, and an unwavering example of dedication, devotion and service to our nation. We will continue to support the children and our school community to remember this significant moment in our history over the coming days, and will continue to reflect on her life along with the rest of our nation.

Welcome and new school structure

I hope that you and your families all had a very restful summer break, and that you were all able to make the most of the time with friends and extended family. I would like to take this opportunity to warmly welcome our new parents and carers, whose children have joined us this year in Reception. It has been lovely seeing them each morning lining up or coming into school so successfully. It has also been very good to see how well all the children have taken to the new class structure. The three classrooms have all been very calm, purposeful, and positive places of learning.

School Vision and Values

As many of you will be aware, but also for our new families, we have started this academic year by revisiting our School Vision: Be Valued; Be Inspired; Be your Best. This is the vision we share for all our young people, now and in the future. It is particularly important, as we start a new year, and as we are joined by new parents and carers, that we focus on the first aspect 'Be Valued'. This is about forging respectful, positive and productive relationships, and this is something we pride ourselves on at Upottery.

School Office

I very pleased to welcome Mrs Sally de Gruchy to her new role this week as school administrative officer. Mrs Bryant will be moving to working in the office for two days each week, focusing on finical and strategic management, while Sally will be addressing day to day operations.

Chris Legg

BULLETIN BOARD

If you want to join the Parish Notices WhatsAp group, please contact Lucy Murray on 07968900349.

Luppitt commons annual general meeting, Thursday 20th October 8:00 pm Luppitt village hall.

THE BLACKDOWN HILLS REPAIR CAFE

We are offering you all to attend our next Blackdown Hills Repair Café at the Parish Hall in Hemyock on the 26th November 2022 from 10am until 1.0pm where you are able to bring all your items in need of repair, and enjoy a range of delicious refreshments which will be on sale from our tea room.

Stephan-Coordinator of Blackdown Hills Repair Cafe Please do not hesitate to contact me on 07715460783, or at sfelehner@aol.com



Luppitt Poppy club for remembrance day, 10:30 to 12:30 every Tuesday, Village hall





Book of Condolence for the late Queen Elizabeth II

The Luppitt Parish Book of Condolence has been sent to East Devon District Council for collation and binding with all the pages from across East Devon's towns and parishes. The bound book will then be submitted to the Devon Archive.

Church opening times

Our Church building is unlocked during daylight hours from Wednesday to Monday each week. Should you wish to hold an event in the Church please contact Sara on 891140.

OUR CHURCH SERVICES IN OCTOBER

2nd 11	1:00 AM	Holy Communion	Ven. Andrew Beane
9th 11	1:00 AM	Morning Praise	Lay Led
16th 12	2:30 PM	Holy Communion	Revd. Jane Penn
13rd 11	1:00 AM	All Age Worship	Lay Led
30th 3:	:30 PM	Remembering Loved Ones	Revd. Jane Penn

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES SERVICE

We warmly invite you to come along to this short, special service to remember your loved ones that will be held in the Churchyard, weather permitting. Please wrap up warmly. Refreshments will be served in the Church after the service.

WINTER WORSHIP

After Remembrance Sunday some of our services will be held in the Village Hall. Details will be published in the Packet from November onwards.

LUPPITT COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CHOIR

The first rehearsal of the Christmas choir on 23 October will be held in the Church at 4pm. Thereafter rehearsals will be held in the Village Hall unless it is booked for other events. Please see the advertisement for full details. A huge thank you to Charlotte for leading the choir again this year.

From Rev Penn's pen

I am writing this during the national period of mourning for the late Queen Elizabeth II.

Those of you who have experienced the loss of a significant person from your family will know that however expected it is, it still comes as a shock and you need time and support as you learn how to live your life without them.

Whatever your personal feelings about the monarchy the Queen was a significant person for this country and it is right to mourn her passing and it will take time for the UK, all of us to work out how it will be to live with our new Monarch King Charles III on the throne.

The Queen was a great ambassador for the country and a great apologist for the Christian faith. She espoused the Christian values of love and service and when it comes to the idea of picking up your cross, she vowed to do this at the age of 21 when she made her famous declaration dedicating herself to the service of the people of the UK, Commonwealth and at the time empire.

She has spoken about the way her Christian faith gives her the strength to do the work she was born into. As we hear about that strong faith she increasingly often spoke about it made me wonder how many of us have thought much about the things of faith. Perhaps you heard some of the bible stories as a child, maybe you came to church and enjoyed singing, maybe something or more usually someone in the church has completely put you off, perhaps you've never really thought about faith, maybe you're a regular church goer and would like a refresher. Wherever you find yourself you might like to come to a short [6 week] course where you'll have the opportunity to think for yourself and to talk to others in a small friendly group about some of the big questions like 'does God exist?', 'who is Jesus?'

This course is not designed to brain wash you into becoming a Christian, it's an enquirers course to help you ask the big questions and find your answer. The first session helps you think about your life, past experiences and goals. The second begins like this

'No one can prove that God exists, that's for sure. But then again, you can't disprove it either. You've just got to look at the evidence and decide for yourself . . .'

Let me say again, it is just six sessions. What you think about the existence of God and who Jesus is makes all the difference in the world, so surely it is worth setting aside this relatively small amount of time aside to examine the issues and 'chew the fat' with other people in a similar place to you.

It is called the START! course and if you would like to join the first small group, I will be running it on Thursday afternoons in Broadhembury church at 1.30pm, finishing in time to collect children from school if you need to do that. The sessions will be 13th & 20th October, a break for half term and then every Thursday afternoon on November.

Please get in touch with me to book a place or find out more. Also if you're interested but Thursday afternoons or Broadhembury church are not possible for you please let me know, we hope to run the course again but I do need to know if there is any interest.

You can contact me on 01404 841523 or email revjane@dunkeswell.ork.uk

I look forward to hearing from you





Church cleaning & flower rota



1 October 2022	Pat Bussey	
8 October 2022	Mary Joyce, Pearl Pulman & Mary Hill	
15 October 2022	Sue Piechowiak	
22 October 2022	Jean Gardiner & Joy Tofts	
29 October 2022	Pat Bussev	

Quaker Meeting for Worship
Spiceland Quaker Meeting Uffculme EX15 3AZ
We Meet for Worship at Spiceland every Sunday at 10.30am
till 11.30am - this is a blended Meeting also available on Zoom All are very welcome.

All are very welcome.

Meeting ID:865 5570 2735 Passcode: 498173

For more information phone Ali Dominy 07810768557 or use the "contact us" form on our website: http://

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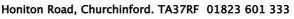
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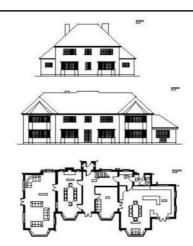
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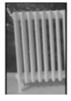


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Clerk's report of a Meeting of Luppitt Parish Council held at Luppitt Village Hall on Tuesday, 6 September 2022 at 8 pm

Present:, Cllrs Brian Pulman, Martin Summers, Andrew Tucker, David Key (EDDC), Rosalind Buxton (Parish Clerk)

Receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs John Thorne, Michele Turner (Vice-Chair), Christine Ryder, Paul Prettejohn (after the meeting), Beth Hooper, Colin Brown (EDDC) and Iain Chubb (DCC)

Minutes of previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 2 August 2022, were unanimously agreed and signed as a correct record (proposed by Cllr Summers and seconded by Cllr Tucker).

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

PLANNING

Applications (for comment, support or objection)
22/1586/FUL – Courtyard Cottage, Red Doors, Beacon, Honiton, EX14 4TX
– proposed two-storey side extension

The Parish Council has no objection to this planning application.

22/1690/FUL – Pound Cottage, Beacon, Honiton, EX14 4TT – single storey front/side extension, single storey detached annexe, new vehicular access and demolition of existing single garage

Cllrs Turner, Pulman, Ryder and the clerk had carried out a site visit on 17 August. There were certain aspects of the planning application that had caused concern, in particular the conversion of the garage to a single storey detached annexe. These concerns were submitted to Planning at East Devon.

Signage to Whippens

The clerk had written on behalf of the Parish Council to the owner of Whippens about erecting a sign to the glamping site via Spurtham Lane. No response had been received. Some visitors continue to drive up New Road, past the turning to Spurtham Lane, and are then having to turn round in a very confined space near Primrose and Odle Farms.

Camping and Caravan Licences

The Conservation Planning team at EDDC had asked for the Parish Council's comments on a request from Freedom Camping Club regarding a licence for a certified site at Higher Moorlands Farm. Cllr Turner had replied in detail, but no response has been received from the Conservation Planning team.

S106 Funding

Cllr Key's contact at EDDC has been away. Cllr Key will report back at the October meeting.

Field at Pennythorne Cross

Cllrs Tucker and Pulman had viewed the field at Pennythorne Cross. They noted that agricultural machinery is being stored neatly under hedges in part of the field. There is a garden with flowers at the centre of the field which could be classed as horticulture, so they did not feel that there was an issue of change of use or domestication of the field. Cllrs Tucker and Pulman were satisfied that there was no need to take the matter further but will continue to monitor the situation.

Decisions

22/0854/FUL Clematis Cottage, Luppitt, EX14 4RT - approval

Neighbourhood Plan

The clerk advised that funding is available. EDDC is responsible for carrying out the process of the referendum but would rely on the Parish Council to publicise it and encourage as many residents as possible to take an active part in voting. The clerk suggested that the cost of any publicity may be low and could be met without applying for additional funding. The clerk will liaise with Cllr Ryder.

Community Actions

Carried forward to the next meeting.

HIGHWAYS AND TRAFFIC - Update on Items to Report

Some of the issues reported concerned edge of road deterioration rather than potholes. The clerk had asked the Neighbourhood Highways Officer for an explanation of the comment 'Could not be found' that had been given by Highways. He has replied as follows:

The reason this may have been considered not found is because if it is deterioration at the edge of the carriageway it may not be considered a pothole safety defect. Deterioration at the edge of the carriageway is usually caused by larger vehicles overriding the carriageway, often on grass verges or pushing back hedges.

In cases like this the contractors will not put tarmac down as this would in theory be increasing the width of the carriageway which they cannot do. An overriding defect has different safety defect criteria to a pothole.

Road Traffic Regulation

Notice of closure of the road from Honeywells to the Old School House on 27 October for work to be carried out by Gigaclear was noted.

Parish Maintenance

Additional items to be reported:

- Luppitt arm missing from signpost at Mathayes
- Pothole the Beacon side of Shelves Farm
- Pothole past Red Doors towards Pound Lane

There was a general discussion about potholes in the parish that do not meet Highways' criteria for repair but do need attention. The clerk will forward to Cllrs Pulman and Tucker the list of potholes identified last year. Cllrs Pulman and Tucker will review the list and add any new potholes that have appeared.

Report for HMCEF on Road Warden Scheme (potholes)

The clerk will liaise with Cllr Tucker before completing a report for the Highways Maintenance Community Enhancement Fund on funding that has been provided towards the cost of clearing ditches and drains. Cllr Tucker still has some cold tar that was supplied under the Road Warden scheme which can be used for future pothole repairs.

FOOTPATHS AND BRIDLEWAYS

Nothing to report.

ENVIRONMENT/COMMUNITY FACILITIES Gate for Village Hall (Locality budget)

The Locality budget has been suspended indefinitely due to a £40 million shortfall in Devon County Council's finances. Cllr Summers will raise the matter of the gate for the play area at the next Village Hall Management Committee meeting.

Play Area

The clerk passed on to Cllr Summers inspection advice that was provided on completion of the play area.

Suggestions for signage contained in the inspection report included the following:

- No dog signs Cllr Summers believes that the Village Hall Management Committee have this in hand.
- Name of operator of the site and contact details it was agreed that the Parish Council would arrange this, showing the clerk's email address. The clerk will follow up.
- There are overhead cables near the play area and a No Kite Flying sign is advised. Cllr Summers will liaise with the Village Hall Management Committee to establish whose responsibility it is.

Telephone Kiosk scheme

This will be carried forward to the next meeting.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The clerk thanked the Parish Council for the new laptop which she had managed to purchase at a competitive price.

Correspondence

- Article on EDDC identifying a possible site for a potential new community in the east of the district.
- Request for the Parish Council to arrange car parking and directing cars for a memorial service to be held on 27 October. Arrangements will be discussed and finalised at the October meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

No items.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions and the meeting ended at 9.05 pm.

Date for next meeting to be held in Luppitt Village Hall at 8 pm: Tuesday, 4 October 2022

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FREE TREES PROJECT

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