

# Parish Magazine

## Ashprington Cornworthy Dittisham

### August 2020

## Father Will is now Bishop of Lewes

Dear Friends,

I really can't believe that this is my last vicar's letter, and at a time when we are emerging from the current lockdown, still unable to worship together. The last nine years have passed so quickly. The life of a parish priest is a remarkably busy one with many responsibilities; there has always been something else needing attention. So, I must first of all acknowledge the wonderful support of Sophie. It is not easy being married to a priest (especially this one): unsociable hours, no weekends away, phone always going etc, etc. Sophie, Theo and Esther bear all of this and more

I have learnt such a lot from so many people here and I have loved being your parish priest and sharing your lives, both in the joyous uplifting moments, horrifically sad times and everything in between. I have loved working with the young people and the community. I have loved the building restoration projects, Sea Sundays boat blessings, Family Fest and the keeping of the Christian year with all its depth, hope and love; I have loved marrying and baptising people and preparing them for confirmation. I have so enjoyed being able to share my ministry with fantastic clergy colleagues and a wonderful group of laity. I have loved leading parish pilgrimages to Walsingham and generally watching people grow in their understanding of God's love for them. The many many happy times have come from simply serving God, either at the altar, or behind the scenes at church or in the community at large. Many of these joys are invisible and their impact remains in the form of deep friendships and happy memories. Equally there have been times of great grief and sadness when as a parish priest I have tried as best as I could to help the dying and those who mourn their passing with the comforting message of the Gospel.

How do you know when the right time under God has come to move on? I have never trusted myself to answer that question, so my leaving has nothing to do with a nine-year itch. Rather I have always relied on others to tell me when they think it's time. I always thought that I would be a parish priest for the rest of my life, so was resistant when others repeatedly suggested that I should at least explore whether I was being called to episcopal ministry. After a long period of discernment, I do (with a mixture of fear and excitement) feel that I am being called to this new challenge. If I have discerned this calling correctly then God also has great plans for this benefice as well. All priests have particular gifts (and

failings) and their own style, and I hope in some small way I have been able to lead you a little deeper into the truths of faith. Of course, there are regrets about some things I have done and other things I have not been able to achieve but I thank God for my ministry amongst you. Sophie, Theo, Ester and I will very much look forward to returning in the future to see you all face to face and to enjoy a proper farewell. As you look towards a new chapter in the life of Dartmouth and Dittisham, I hope you will do so with hope and confidence and with assurance of my love and prayers.

Until then I leave you with a prayer of Brother Charles de Fourcauld that I am trying to pray daily, which seems particularly apt at the moment:

*Father,*

*I abandon myself into your hands;  
do with me what you will.*

*Whatever you may do, I thank you:*

*I am ready for all, I accept all.*

*Let only your will be done in me,  
and in all your creatures -*

*I wish no more than this, O Lord.*

*Into your hands I commend my soul:*

*I offer it to you with all the love of my heart,  
for I love you, Lord, and so need to give myself,  
to surrender myself into your hands without reserve,  
and with boundless confidence,  
for you are my Father. Amen*



# Father Jim from Bracknell to Totnes

Blessed by the glorious weather of late, it has been great to walk out from Totnes, along the Dart Path, to Ashprington, Cornworthy and East Cornworthy. This is not my first time in these parts, since my mother used to live at Harbertonford, so we would often walk down to Tuckenhay and Ashprington, but never, I think, to Cornworthy. It has been a real delight to discover St. Peter's, particularly the excellent order it is in, reflecting both the generosity and hard work of dedicated folk who have taken care of it in recent years. I love the column capitals and also the angel wing sculpture in the south chapel. It is very special. Likewise, St David's at Ashprington captures the quintessential essence of a medieval English village church. Having mostly served in Victorian era churches, I have always said to Harriet, my wife, that I would love to have a Saxon or Medieval church to look after. Now I seem to have oversight of seven of them!

Seriously though, time flows differently in and around an old church. It will have witnessed political, social and religious upheavals. It will have gone through periods of neglect and decay and then been lovingly restored. Yet through all the change, it stands as a sign of continuity in the landscape, reminding us that our lives are meant to be other-centred, whether that 'other' be God, or our neighbour (or preferably both). I have been encouraged in Berkshire, and now here, to both hear about and see how neighbours have rallied to support each other through this current difficulty. Our relative affluence and the many conveniences of modern life can make us very independent. There is a lot to be said for it, but we also lose something on the way. I, like other walkers, will know that walking in an area you get to have more conversations and meet people than when you drive through. Walking to East Cornworthy, I was amazed to see what looked like the timber frame for a church dome being constructed in a framing yard. I stopped to ask what it was for (perhaps hoping it was a surprise gift to one of our churches) – turns out it is for Radley College in Oxfordshire.

I could give a dozen examples but I find it is when we turn towards the other, when we take the time to stop and take an interest in others around us, to learn from them, to serve them, to be challenged by them, then our lives become incredibly enriched.

*Jim Barlow (newly instituted Rector of Totnes)*

## *Totnes Team Prayer*

God of our pilgrimage,  
you invite us to walk your hidden ways:  
teach us to entrust the past to  
your mercy,  
the present to your grace,  
and the future to your providence;  
that, transformed by your Spirit,  
we may be faithful disciples  
and a living temple  
of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
Amen.

Jim and Harriet have arrived.  
Praise the Lord.



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## September Magazine:

Please try to have all copy to the production editors by the 20th of August for the September magazine.

Thank you.

## This Month's Notice...

### Never too late:

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*Thank you to Pauline for sharing her memories of the summer of '45.*



## Recollections of Summer

### 1945

### V.E. Day – V.J. Day

The Summer of 1945 has returned vividly to my mind these last months. So much time in old age is spent waiting, dreaming and remembering, especially in these strange days of the Pandemic.

I was born in 1936, the year of the 3 Kings, George V, Edward VIII and George VI. The stamp on my birth certificate is of an uncrowned Edward and there can't be too many of those. The world was in turmoil then too. Within a month of my arrival the King had abdicated and the Crystal Palace had burnt down.

As my father belonged to the T.A. he was called up straight away so, in haste, his doctor's practice was closed down and we, my mother, sister and grannie moved to Devon to join my aunt and uncle, another doctor who had come from China to join up. Their 2 girls were here already at school so in no time 7 females were living together trying to find their way in a new place, in troubled times with the men far away – not always easy.

Our story from 39-45, like everyone's, had its share of air raids, anxiety, new friends and laughter – but also tragedy and many tears. I remember the train loads of tired soldiers after Dunkirk, who arrived to fill the local hotels and holiday camps while they rested and were reorganised, and then the hundreds of American soldiers before D-Day, smiling and cheerful driving huge vehicles and building roads. Suddenly one night they and all the boats in Torbay were gone, it was empty and silent – the grown-ups looked hopeful – could this be the beginning of the end? It proved to be so.

V.E. Day May 8th is very clear in my mind. My mum and sister and I rode our bicycles on the beach from Paignton Harbour to the end of Preston Sands stopping on the way back to visit my father's parents who had lately come to live in one of the hotels on the sea-front, escaping the bombs of London. We didn't know them very well and Grandma was rather sharp, Grandpa much older, gentle but distant. It was "pull up your socks girls, tidy your hair and don't forget to kiss Grandma" from an anxious Mum – none of today's hugs then! Later we met friends and joined the crowds in Palace Avenue to hear the speeches, the Chairman of the Council, the Vicar and the broadcast of the Prime Minister, excitement, cheers from some, tears from others. Afterwards home to tea in the garden with neighbours. "What will they put in the

# Ashprington News



Reverend Jim Barlow, now safely installed in the Totnes Rectory, has embarked on a fact finding pilgrimage around the nine churches in the Team Ministry.

First stop was St David's where he met with members of the PCCs, congregations and members of the community from both Ashprington and Cornworthy. This was an informative and interesting sharing of views which hopefully will help Jim as he formulates a way forward for our Mission Community. We look forward to hearing his decisions when he has finished his tour of the other seven parishes.

It is our great joy to write these words: A service will be held in St David's Church this Sunday 11:15am. Rev'd. Jim will be with us. In his first sermon last Sunday Jim said:

*Our churches are houses of God, places of prayer and worship. Prayer and worship are two of the things that make the building come to life. When we enter a church in a state of prayer, it returns our greeting. It is like a sleeping beauty, which awaits only the kiss of prayer and liturgy to awaken it.*

Further awakenings are planned in the coming weeks. In particular a Village Worship Service in which a theme of reflection on the impact of the corona virus and gratitude for our community helpers will be at its core. A firm date could not be set but as soon as one is selected information will be posted around the village. Simon

## Ash Meadow

### Ashprington Village Picnic & Fun Day

**Bank Holiday Monday, 31st August  
3pm onwards**

**Games and races for all ages**

**Bring your own picnic, refreshments, and your choice of items to put on the BBQ**

**(Social distancing and health and safety measures will be in place, in line with guidelines in force at the time.)**

newspapers now?" I asked. The grown-ups only laughed.

By August and V.J. Day we were on holiday in Somerset staying with wonderful friends who owned a farm there. We went by train every year to Wellington, taking our bikes of course and our wellies tied on to very old and heavy suitcases. Some rickety vehicle came to meet us and we knew that Hugo and Peggy and their 2 boys would be waiting with smiles of welcome and a table full of plenty, eggs, and milk straight from the cow, and all the fresh summer fruit and vegetables you could wish.

All the village joined in planning the actual day, everyone playing their part. In a meadow full of wildflowers a sports day was held for us children. There were races of all kinds, egg and spoon, sack, 3-legged and running 50 and 100 yards. Having long legs I did manage to win a couple and gloried in the money prizes that were handed out in sixpences and shillings. I'd never had such wealth and was not best pleased when I fell over in the flower-pot race - long gone now, they are all plastic.

A delicious tea followed at long tables set out in the skittle alley next to the pub, sticky buns galore and jelly and clotted cream, a treat to marvel at, fish paste sandwiches ignored.

As evening fell we all gathered at the cross-roads in our best clothes and several villagers came with instruments, a fiddle and a recorder I remember. People danced and someone sang. It was all so new and exciting to me, but really only history repeating itself from the middle ages to Thomas Hardy. My sister remembers it very differently being 5 years older than me. She was self-conscious and wary until, she says, given her first sip or two of cherry brandy.

These powerful images have stayed with me all my life, so although I lived many years away from the West Country in London, New York and London again, when John and I came to Bow Mill it felt very much like coming home.

Devon and Somerset had worked their early magic. The Harbourne river where the heron stood and the kingfisher flashed by gave us a few anxious nights after heavy rain, but knowing it flowed to the creek, the Dart and out to the sea beyond seemed perfect. Our years were very happy with new friends, St David's and 3 excellent pubs, Totnes and Dartington and the moors close by and London only 3 hours away by train.

Now it's time to be near family and a very kind nephew and his wife have found me a flat in sheltered accommodation only a mile from where they live in Sussex, so it's over to them shopping and all.

Thank you Ashprington for all the good things you gave us both. There's always the telephone so I'll keep in touch and in those long afternoons still to come I'll sit in my chair and continue to wait and dream and remember.

*Pauline Vernon.*

## News from Ash Meadow

A lot has happened recently or is planned at Ash Meadow, despite lockdown, and in some cases, possibly because of it. So to bring you up to date, here is a brief resume.

### **Devon Air Ambulance night landing site appeal**

What a success this was! The local appeal target of £2,500 was met astonishingly quickly after fund raising began in December. The planning permission was granted in June and the lighting was installed and commissioned in July. So the village now has a functioning night landing site at Ash Meadow for Devon Air Ambulance to use in an emergency. The whole community came together to support the local appeal, with many individuals and groups showing great generosity. In addition to the local appeal, funding included a grant from Devon Air Ambulance, a Sustainable Community Locality Fund Grant from South Hams District Council, Invest in Devon funding from Devon County and funding for future maintenance from Ash Meadow Committee. Thank you to all who contributed, and to Ashprington Parish Council and our local councillors on South Hams District Council and Devon County Council, who have all provided superb support throughout.

### **Ash Meadow a community resource during lockdown**

Ash Meadow has fared well through lockdown, thanks to the continued input of a number of our volunteers who have kept up on an individual basis with mowing, strimming, looking after the orchard and the copses, and sieving the compost. Thanks to Chris Alford for tiding us over the gap in SHDC grass cutting. The result of all these efforts is that the meadow is looking in really good order, and it has had a great deal of use, and more recently socially distanced boules on a Saturday afternoon. We have been especially pleased to see the number of young people using the meadow. Our young mountain bikers have made good use of the area, and have built a challenging off-road bike route through the top copse. This was their idea, and they did all the work – very impressive it is too! Ash Meadow has really come into its own over this difficult period, and has demonstrated what an invaluable resource it is for our community.

### **Volunteer work parties to resume on 1st August**

We are now able to resume work parties, starting on Saturday 1st August (first Saturday morning and third Thursday afternoon of each month). Regular volunteers already know about this. If you would like to get involved, contact me on the numbers below.

### **Village Fun Day and Picnic**

To celebrate the current easing of lockdown, we are organising a village picnic and fun day on August Bank Holiday Monday (31st). There will be games and races for all ages. Please bring your own picnic. We will light the BBQ so bring along your sausages, burgers and anything else you would like to BBQ and we will get it cooked for you. Fingers crossed for fine weather. Do come along and bring any visiting family and friends for a relaxed, fun and convivial afternoon, starting at 3 pm.

**Barry Lunt, Chair, Ash Meadow Committee**

**Tel 01803 732722 or 07808 782088**

## Cornworthy News



**Cornworthy would like to welcome the new Rector Jim Barlow and his wife. Hopefully settling in well and looking forward to all the new challenges that lie ahead.**

### *A New Beginning*

This time , it's a brand new day  
Yesterday is gone, let's welcome today  
A brand new beginning awaits  
It's all a matter of work and faith.

Yesterday is good, today is better  
And tomorrow will be the best ever  
No worries, for today is the present  
It's the day we long that he has sent.

Sadly Tony Bridges passed away. His funeral was conducted at St. Peter's Church. It was as lovely as it could be. Wonderful flowers and family attending. Tony lived in Cornworthy for over thirty years with his wife Veronica attending church regularly.

We had our first Village Worship Service in four months. Caroline lead, and Keith gave the talk. We all hummed the hymns that Janet kindly played on the organ. It was all very different for now, But everything ran smoothly with Ashprington attending . Well done Cornworthy.

*To be kind  
It's more important  
than to be right  
Many times what  
People need is not  
A brilliant mind that  
Speaks, but a special  
Heart that listens .*

I hope everyone gets to enjoy the summer .

*Love, Tania*

# Dittisham News

## St George's Church

Where on earth has July gone? It seems to have flown by. July 4th marked a big turning point for life in the village. Happy visitors and second home owners were understandably anxious to get down here as soon as they possibly could and suddenly there was quite a buzz around our peaceful little village. Both pubs re-opened as did the Anchorstone Cafe - all reports are that they are all coping admirably with the new rules and regulations and managing to feed and water customers whilst maintaining strict social distancing guidelines and keeping us safe - well done all of you, it's a tough job.

We were thrilled to be able to open St. George's Church on July 14th for our first Eucharist - although it was a very different type of service. We all agreed that Father Andrew and Father Bob did a fantastic job and led us in a truly inspirational service. Of particular note was Father Andrew's reading from The Valley of Vision, a collection of Puritan Prayers and Devotions. I do hope that we will hear more from that wonderful book.

On July 15th, we were fortunate to be able to participate remotely in the Consecration of Father Will at Lambeth Palace, via their online YouTube channel. It was quite a low key service, but it was wonderful to see the new Bishop of Lewes and his lovely family - we wish them all a safe, smooth transition to life in Chichester, and we look forward to bidding them a proper farewell in the late autumn.

Sunday Services will resume in St. George's on Sunday July 26th, and we will have our regular 9.15am Eucharist every Sunday from then. Notices will soon go up about the pattern of services for the coming weeks, including our much loved Village Worship which will be led by either Penny or Paul.



Bishop of Fulham, Bishop Hazlewood, Bishop of Richborough and Bishop of Ebbsfleet outside Lambeth Palace

## Our Countryside Correspondent:

August - is only one of two months to have its name in use as a



word; of course it all goes back to those Romans again! But more importantly and sadly of little relevance to our lives nowadays, August is the month of Lammas Tide. Little known or celebrated now but totally tied into the fields which we see all around us. At this moment our farmers are

getting ready to harvest the oil seed rape, a modern crop if ever there was one, and very important to most of our breakfasts – just look at the carton of your easily spreadable 'butter' and you will see that it probably incorporates oil seed rape. The huge hilly fields across the valley from my yurt have turned from green to blazing yellow and back to green again and soon all those amazing seeds will be gone.

Lammas Tide was the ancient 'loaf mass', a festival which marked the annual wheat harvest – once the first harvest of the year. It was a Christian holiday with church processions. The word Lammas is known to date to the early fourteenth century when the annual wheat harvest was eagerly awaited. Supermarkets were something for the future, so supplies from the last year would be getting short. A loaf from the newly harvested corn was brought into church and solemnly blessed. It then acquired miraculous powers and was broken into four and placed in the four corners of a barn to protect the grain. One does slightly wonder if the rats enjoyed it.

The hedgerows now begin to demand some attention. Very soon, if not by now, wild birds will have bid farewell to any second clutches they may have raised. We are all told not to cut our hedges yet but the temptation does rear its ugly head. By my yurt there is a hedge of Griselinia or more properly Griselinia Littoralis, sometimes called New Zealand Privet. It should be grown more widely as it is a very good hedging plant especially near the sea. However by this time in the year its lovely evergreen branches are pretty much like everyone's hair after lockdown, crying out for the shears. The hedge banks by the lanes also will soon be asking to be cut. There are few wild flowers left the ferns have gone a darker shade of green and even the pink yarrow by my top gate has faded to an unattractive kind of white.

If August is the big holiday month will there be a return of endless vapour trails? Fields of all colours with clear skies above have been wonderful - as someone near and dear to me remarked, unasked, 'it looks like I remember when I was little'. A small jolt about the passage of time which made me realise that soon the days will noticeably begin to draw in and then I found this odd quotation:

*"The dews of the evening industriously shun,  
They're the tears of the sky for the loss of the sun"*

# Ashprington, Cornworthy and Dittisham 2020 Online Horticultural Fun Show

This will be a one-off virtual show of interesting/remarkable/surprising/or just nice pictures from your own garden taken at any time during 2020 from January - August. Its success will depend upon as many people as possible sending in photographs. Photographs may be taken in any form - camera, phone, ipad - and sent to the Parish Magazine using the email address [kcgreen67@gmail.com](mailto:kcgreen67@gmail.com) Pictures should come under any of the following categories:

***a view of the garden or a particular area of the garden***  
***a very fine bloom - any flower or group of flowers from your garden***  
***an excellent fruit or vegetable from your garden or picture of your veg garden***  
***an area of your garden in which you are re-wilding or providing for wildlife.***

You may enter any one or all of the categories, but only one picture per category. From now until the 20th of August please send your picture as a JPEG as indicated above. "Judges" for these four categories will be: Sally Vincent, Marina Pusey, Pam Mallalieu and Mike Pearey. Outstanding entries will be in the September magazine.

***We are looking forward to seeing some great pictures from gardens in all three parishes. This is not a competition - it's just a show - a chance to share your lockdown garden results - and it's just for FUN.***

## Motoring Correspondent:

### Britain's Best Car

This is a subjective matter and one that is not asked that often. To arrive at any kind of conclusion, you first must determine which is the best manufacturer, then the best car will come naturally I feel.

There are certain criteria which I believe to be paramount. That the manufacturer has been in continuous production from its outset, to have a proven competitive racing history, and above all, to be accessible to us, the general public.

Bentley and Aston Martin meet the first two demands with outstanding racing provenance in their early days but you would hardly call them accessible on cost grounds and Rolls Royce never raced either.

Many other marques have risen from racing history but fell by the wayside over the years, including AC, Lotus, Singer, Sunbeam and Riley. Even our wonderful MG heritage is now just a Chinese badge on a mass-produced piece of garbage. Utter sacrilege.

It could be argued that the Austin and Morris Mini Coopers had great rally success, winning, among other titles, the Monte Carlo Rally. They were the archetypal people's car, but alas, fell victim to the catastrophe that was British Leyland. Only the Mini name lives on now, and under foreign ownership.

Austin Healey and MG succumbed to the disastrous BMC magnet, which pulled many a great name

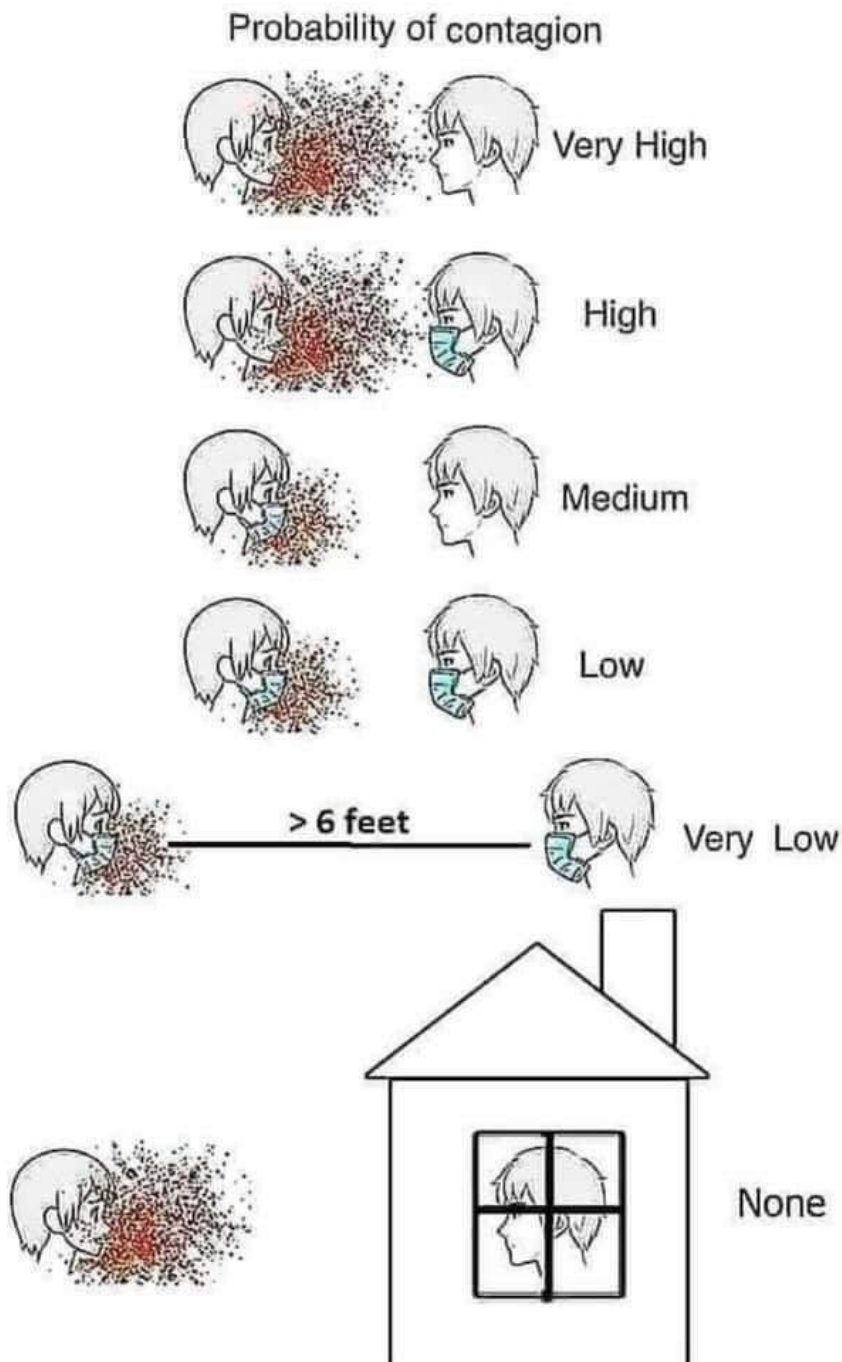
into oblivion, despite an honourable racing heritage. I mean, what was the point of an MG Metro or Maestro for goodness sake?! Badge engineering at its worst.

Ford have won Le Mans many times but this success really was an American venture. Certainly, a car much loved by the buyers over the decades with great rally and track success but somehow, the true passion was never there, particularly in the earlier days. It was all about numbers.

Another Le Mans winner on many occasions is Jaguar. Created by Sir William Lyons from Swallow Side-Cars (the name had to be changed from SS Cars after WW2). Jaguar knew the age-old mantra. Win on Sunday, sell on Monday. And, so it was. The XK 120/140s of the 1950s swept the board at Le Mans with five outright wins. But were these accessible to the wider public in the showrooms?

*So, several contenders for Britain's best car. To be concluded next month. Paul Jolly*

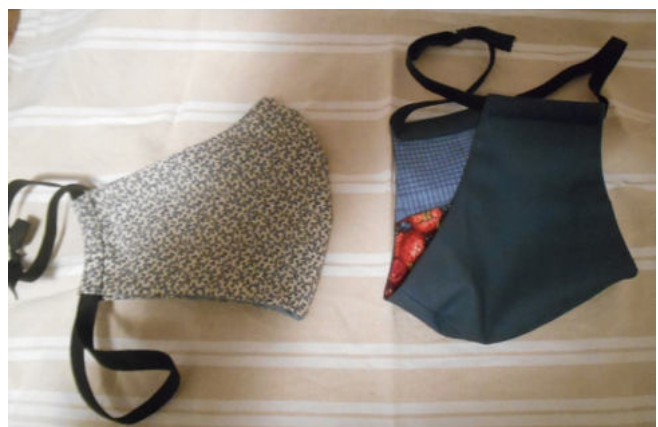




**Facemasks:** As the pandemic rattles on cloth hand-made facemasks are available by order from Kathi Green [kcgreen67@gmail.com](mailto:kcgreen67@gmail.com) (01803 732437) by donation to **Totnes Caring** (£2-£5). A range of fabric and size is possible - over 100 creations have been sold since April and still counting. Over the head or behind the ears elastic by request.

Pictured right is the Olson mask which was designed by medical staff. These are made from high grade quilting cotton and are washable (recomended frequently). A third layer of cotton, paper towel or other material can be inserted.

If anyone has a stash of unused quality cotton fabric or elastic that they would like to donate please contact Kathi.





## Next in the Let's Go Exploring series: Incredible Hulks 1.

A hulk is a wrecked or beached ship or boat that no longer floats and has been abandoned. The larger rivers and estuaries of the West Country are full of them, some well known, some a complete mystery. The first in this series is very well known and is one of the largest in the River Dart and the one farthest up the river.

The paddle steamer Kingswear Castle has lain off the wall of Fleet Mill Creek since 1924. She was built by Cox and Company of Falmouth in 1904 for the River Dart Steamboat Company as an excursion steamer. She plied the River Dart for twenty years, for the first ten of which she was the largest steamer on the river and the pride of the fleet. In 1914 the larger Compton Castle bumped her into second place and, ten years later, her engines were removed and she was hulked to become a fever ship (a quarantine facility) for a few years.

While the original Kingswear Castle lay rotting in the mud after being set on fire to kill any residual germs, her engines were working in the ship of the same name that replaced her. The later Kingswear Castle ran up and down the Dart between Dartmouth and Totnes until 1965 when she was withdrawn to be restored to run on the River Medway. She still visits the Dart with the engines original to the hulk of her predecessor.

The hulk of Kingwear Castle lies almost opposite the small volcanic plug on the Sharpham Estate on the Berry Pomeroy side of the river. Both Sharpham House and Sharpham North Quay can be seen from the hulk. It can be approached across private land at each edge of Fleet

Mill Creek, now a marsh. Access is dangerous and difficult; there are many sharp and rusty edges and deep mud both inside and surrounding the hull. The paddle wheel frames can be clearly seen and the rakish lines of the hull. The hulk is disguised by long grass growing in most of the hull, giving it a somewhat ghostly appearance from a distance.

The hulk is best seen from the river at high tide and is seldom submerged. It can also be seen from parts of the Sharpham Estate when visiting. Here are the hulk's vital statistics:

Tonnage: 85 gross, 47 net. Length: 107.6 feet x beam 15.1 feet x moulded depth 5.0 feet. Engines: 2 cylinder compound. Speed about 8 knots.

In the past this hulk has been wrongly recorded as Dartmouth Castle and Berry Castle. In 1974 she was daubed with the name Anton Bres by a young engineer from one of the timber ships of the Bres Line that formerly brought timber up to Totnes on high tide. I should like to thank my friend Michel Poiret for the fine photograph he recently took of the hulk of the Kingwear Castle. *Laurence Green*



The current Kingswear Castle paddle steamer

# Gardening for Wildlife in Capton



August is a quiet month in the garden and with swifts having left by now for their long journey to Africa and swallows starting to congregate on telephone wires towards the end of the month, you will get a sense that Autumn is on its way. If you are lucky enough to have swallows nesting on your property then watch where they nest, as they return to natal nesting sites, which can become overburdened. You can place artificial nest cups early next year in the eaves or any suitable situation, to help provide new sites.

You might also notice that there seem to be far fewer birds around but don't be alarmed as many birds have gone into hiding while they moult. Both adult and young birds shed and regrow their feathers which takes a lot of energy and makes them vulnerable to predators as their ability to fly is lessened. As the birds reappear they might look a bit odd as the process can take some weeks, depending on the species. (ref: RSPB web site)

In the garden, there are still some herbaceous plants and shrubs in full bloom but many will have started to fade. If you have spaces in your borders, wild flowers are always a good substitute for traditional annual bedding. Seeds sown in the autumn will give an abundance of plants for next year. There are wildflowers for every situation, but they often flower for much longer and are a great insect attractant. They can also be dramatic, like teasels and wild carrot; bright and colourful like purple loosestrife, mullein, wild marjoram and viper's bugloss, ethereal like meadowsweet. There is a scabious for both dry and wet situations - wild scabious for dry and devil's bit scabious for wet or waterlogged soil. Many of these plants have medicinal properties too, but if you are making tea with viper's bugloss (picture right), which is supposed to stimulate sexual desire, then please note that its toxicity has not been tested! (ref; wildlife-gardening.co.uk)



To extend the life of plants then of course deadheading is always a good idea as it prolongs the flowering season but as the flowering is coming to an end leaving a few to go to seed will provide food and a home for wildlife in the autumn and winter. Many seed heads also look attractive – eg. Dierama, Libertia, teasel, love in the mist, honesty and poppy. Perennial grasses look good all year round and if we get a frost they will look even more spectacular.

In the 1990s we lived in a house that backed onto a field that was earmarked for housing development. Ragwort grew in abundance and the yellow and black caterpillars fascinated our young children and the resulting cinnabar moths were beautiful. Their striking red and black livery made them very distinctive and easy to spot as they are a dayflying insect. Unfortunately ragwort became a plant that was shunned and pulled up at every opportunity as it's poisonous and can be very bad for domestic livestock. It causes liver damage, and if enough is consumed, brain damage and death. However most livestock don't eat living ragwort as they know not to but when mowed and stored in hay the livestock cannot detect it. As a result of this there are measures in place within the UK to control ragwort which has had a negative impact on cinnabar moth numbers.

Ragwort is an important native plant that helps to feed dozens of bees, moths and other insects and it is the main food source for the cinnabar moth caterpillars. Once they have fattened enough the caterpillars will develop into a pupae under leaf litter or just below the surface of the ground. In this relative safety they will over-winter before emerging as adults from May the following year. (ref: various websites)



So, if you find ragwort growing in your wild patch - leave it, please, it could become this.



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## Cornworthy Parish Council



held as an open air meeting at Creekside, Priory View, Cornworthy TQ9 7HN\* on Monday 29th June 2020 at 6.00 pm Present: Cllrs: Kirkland (Chairman), Bradley, Carver, Fry, Hunt, Linda Maby (Clerk), District Councillor McKay, County Cllr Hawkins, Mrs P Kirkland (p/t) Open Forum: Members of the public were invited to send any representations prior to this meeting by e mail to [parishcouncil@cornworthy.com](mailto:parishcouncil@cornworthy.com) (none received). Cllr Kirkland thanked the clerk, Linda Maby for her hard work in organising the council's response to the Covid 19 situation and to the many parishioners included on the list of volunteers. Cllr Hunt also thanked Cllr Kirkland for the very active role he has played in this. Approval of Minutes: the minutes from Monday 2nd March 2020 were approved and duly signed by Cllr Kirkland. Matters Arising from Minutes Winter Gritting: Further obstructive parking issues were encountered by the DCC gritter during March which has led to the suspension of this valuable winter service for Cornworthy. Cllr Fry asked that the possible effect of this inconsiderate parking on neighbouring villages, Tuckenhay and Ashprington, be noted since the criteria for accessing this service depends on having a joint minimum head of 500 population. Without Cornworthy in the mix, this count falls well below the minimum criteria. Devon Air Ambulance Lighting Mast: having lost the original paperwork, EON has now issued more which has been completed by Mr Baker from the Sports Club (addendum: EON are due to fix the meter on 22nd July which will allow all works to be completed) Local Issues: Parish Council Website & Accessibility issues: Cllr Kirkland advised that by September 23rd, the parish council website must meet government accessibility criteria. This is a complicated issue and it is unlikely that the website can be ready by this time. As the current website falls considerably short of the new regulations, Cllr Kirkland suggested that a new fully compliant website be made. All were in agreement. Penny Kirkland has offered her technical services to compile the new website. Penny explained the need for website accessibility according to the new government regulations and how she intended to go about designing the new website. She explained the hosting charges but offered her own services to the council without payment. It was agreed that for September 23rd the parish council would put a statement on our current website to explain the time frame and set out the pathway for what is to be done. This is permissible and the statement would be approved at the council's next meeting in early September. Replacement Parish Council Laptop: the clerk explained that there are numerous problems with the laptop keyboard which are affecting efficiency. Cllr Bradley suggested that rather than looking at the expense of a new laptop, the clerk tries to replace the keyboard initially and obtain quotes for this. Cllr McKay offered to check with SHDC to see if there were any spare laptops. Parishioners Letter: the letter questioned why the parish council had not been meeting remotely during lock down as well as why there is no official lengthsman for Cornworthy Parish Council. Cllr Kirkland wished to emphasise that council business has still been carried out during this period (clerk has been awarded emergency powers) and that not all councillors have access to or feel confident using the internet zoom facility. Cllr Kirkland asked that the website problem reporting link be emphasised again in our communication channels

Roads & Transport: [www.devonservices.org.uk/service/transport-report-problem](http://www.devonservices.org.uk/service/transport-report-problem) All other issues <https://apps.southhams.gov.uk/webreportit> Allaleigh Noticeboard: clerk has the board in storage for Cllr Hunt to organise fixing as soon as he can. Defibrillator & VETS: Cllr Kirkland recommended that there was no financial justification in taking up this service as the current arrangements for the defibrillator were very adequate. Parking Issues (re winter gritting

service): discussion held over Covid 19 response: all households in the parish had received a leaflet explaining how to access help and a list of volunteers has been compiled. Clerk commented that such was the strong sense of community and care for neighbours that many people in need have been catered for. Regular shopping and fetching prescription medicines continue to be carried out by Cllr Kirkland and the clerk. Highways Notification of Road Closure – Work Ref: LM213 MB8218084n Road closure to complete SWW Utility works from 30 Meters from Old Farm House, Lane Past Stone Barn, Allaleigh, Devon, TQ9 7DL. Works, subject to approval from Devon Highways, will take place from the 21/09 to 25/09/20. Clerk to post on noticeboards in good time Clerk was asked to report a new pothole in the lane from the church to Furze Cross and enquire about when the pothole towards the bottom of Priory View would receive attention. Clerk to write to Lisa at DCC Highways Planning Dinnicombe Barn, Ridge Lane, Blackawaton TQ9 7HX. Erection of detached ancillary oak framed annexe, 1259/20/FUL: Decision: SUPPORT Land Adjacent to Dartmouth Park & Ride Site, Wessex Way, Dartmouth, TQ6 0JL 1585/20/FUL Construction of new 2 storey Health & Well Being Centre and associated external works Decision: SUPPORT Decisions Barn At Sx 825 552 Furze field Furze Cross Cornworthy Totnes TQ9 7HH Prior Approval Agricultural building to dwelling C3: 0936/20/PDM CONDITIONAL APPROVAL Listing of planning applications received during March, April and May which the parish council have reviewed and communicated decisions to clerk for submission Higher Venice Barn, Allaleigh, Blackawaton, Totnes TQ9 7DL Conversion of barn to dwelling and associated landscaping: 0704/20/FUL Council made comments following a site meeting expressing concern about the access to this property which is down an unmetalled road seemingly unfit for most general vehicles. The road is in poor condition and suffers from flooding during the winter period. This is more of a pathway for walkers and possibly cyclists and does not constitute a good means of access to the property. Barn At Sx 825 552 Furze field Furze Cross Cornworthy Totnes TQ9 7HH Prior Approval Agricultural building to dwelling C3: 0936/20/PDM (INFO ONLY) West End Barn, Allaleigh, Blackawaton, TQ9 7DL Notification for prior approval for proposed change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house (Class C3) and for associated operational development (Class Q(a+b)): 1090/20/PDM (INFO ONLY) Lower Washbourne Farm, Washbourne, TQ9 7EU Erection of new agricultural barn: 0872/20/FUL: SUPPORT Cornworthy Barn at SX 821 558 Cornworthy, Totnes TQ9 7ET Change of use of traditional agricultural building to residential dwelling 1094/20/HHO: SUPPORT The Glebe House Cornworthy TQ9 7ES Householder application for reconstruction of existing studio and garage, and new link building to provide ancillary accommodation to main house 1075/20/FULL: SUPPORT Finance and Records Completion of Annual Governance statement of the Annual Return 19/20 Signed by Chairman, Cllr Kirkland Bank Balance at 22/6/2020 Total: £20,066.48 Current account: £14,204.18 Savings account: £5862.30 Allocated: Cornworthy PC: £19,101.59 Charlecombe Wood: £108.01 P3: £856.88 End of Financial Year Accounts 2019/20 & Accounting Statements on Annual Return: Clerk advised that the internal audit had been carried out and as receipts and expenditure had exceeded £25,000, an external audit was needed. Clerk discussed aspects of the end of year accounts and explained that the grant and subsequent work with Devon Air Ambulance accounted for the significant rise in figures year on year. Chairman, Cllr Kirkland signed both documents. Reports (kept to a minimum) Clerk: Clerk advised that £350 had been requested and received from Devon CC to help support the Parish Covid 19 response. So far this had helped with expenses for leaflet

printing and petrol expenses for shopping and fetching prescriptions for those shielding in the community. Clerk had attended a Zoom meeting held by Devon Communities together regarding Covid19 response and remarked on how other councils have teams to develop and co-ordinate general and specific emergency response strategies. It was suggested that Cornworthy PC's strategy could be developed on a team basis which might involve non councillors. Clerk advised that there was still £80 of grant money available to the village hall towards the cost of a new door. District Councillor : Re Covid19, Cllr John McKay discussed how a West Dart Cluster Group was co-ordinating local groups to organise funding. He mentioned that applications were still being invited from small businesses for an SHDC Discretionary Grant. He talked about an Emergency Budget Meeting held by SHDC to allocate funding and the proposed 'Build Back Better Workshops'. County Councillor: Cllr Hawkins announced the arrival SHDC's new Chief Executive, Andy Bates, who was looking at how to access the most vulnerable in the community to ensure they are cared for. He said that changes since COVID 19 lock down had affected SHDC finances by £9million and Devon CC by much more. He remarked on how all team meetings had still been held, albeit remotely, and this had brought about the realisation that they could work differently and far leaner. Devon CC Highways have had a £28million cash injection from central government. He outlined the work done by Dartmouth Caring during the Covid crisis and how this and Dartmouth Food Bank will continue to deliver meals and food to the most needy. He advised that he had a locality grant of £525 available for Cornworthy PC. Cllrs to discuss possible uses for this at the next meeting. Any Other Business: Cllr Carver thanked Cllr Hawkins for helping the village hall achieve a £10,000 grant to cover financial losses during the Covid crisis and advised that the committee are carrying out risk assessments with regard to when the hall could be re-opened. This was also a matter of insurance. Cllr Kirkland asked that the Charlecombe Woods representative (Mrs Caroline Hunt) be contacted to organise treatment of the overgrowth on the paths through the woods. Clerk to contact Cllr Hunt asked that the council's tree representative (Bill Petheram) be contacted regarding advice on the pruning of the village green oak tree which comes under a TPO. Clerk to contact.

100 Club July Draw and Summer Draw

11.0	July	Summer
	1st: Mr P Bradley	Ms P Smith
	2nd: Mrs T Scanlon	Mrs M Greengrass
	3rd: Mr C Simmons	Mrs H Gitsham

Meeting closed at 7:30pm

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Monday 7th September 2020 at 8.00 pm For full minutes and agendas visit [www.cornworthy.co/parishcouncil/](http://www.cornworthy.co/parishcouncil/)

## Dittisham Parish Council



Information, updates and practical resources about COVID-19 are posted on [www.dittishamparish.co.uk](http://www.dittishamparish.co.uk), [www.facebook.com/dittishamparishcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/dittishamparishcouncil), and emailed to the [Information email group \(please email the clerk to be added\)](mailto:info@dittishamparishcouncil.co.uk).

Notes from the Monthly Meeting of Dittisham Parish Council held using public videoconferencing on Wednesday 1 July 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

South Hams District Council Councillor McKay reported on business support via the discretionary grant. SHDC is not in a good place financially. There will be an emergency budget in September. Building Back Better workshops will be held over the next few months. There is a lot of local concern as lockdown is being eased, and he will keep a watching brief. Devon County Council Councillor Hawkins reported there have been no COVID-19 deaths to date in the Dartmouth area. There was a meeting with the NHS Trust this afternoon – it is monitoring closely. Dartmouth has a reopening plan with street cafes on the embankment. The Park and Ride will be open for the school holidays.

Planning Decisions from SHDC 1025/20/FUL & 1026/20/LBC Downton Farm Dittisham TQ6 0JD. Householder and Listed building consent for construction of new garden store building and associated external works. Conditional Approval.

New Planning Applications: 1585/20/FUL Land Adjacent To Dartmouth Park And Ride Site Wessex Way Dartmouth TQ6 0JL. Construction of new two storey Health and Well-being Centre and associated external works. Support. 1650/20/LBC Chipton Barton Dittisham TQ6 0HW. Retrospective listed building consent for conversion of swimming pool barn and proposed refurbishment works. Support. 1649/20/HHO Chipton Barton Dittisham TQ6 0HW. Retrospective householder application for conversion of swimming pool barn and proposed refurbishment works. Support. 1476/20/ARC Greenbank Riverside Road Dittisham TQ6 0HS. Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 4 and 5 of planning consent 3578/19/FUL. Support. 1105/20/HHO & 1106/20/LBC Dartside Manor Street Dittisham TQ6 0EX. Householder application and Listed Building Consent for construction of ancillary garden building (summerhouse) within rear curtilage. Object. Licencing Application: Variation to a premises licence application from Anchorstone Cafe, Manor Street, Dittisham, Dartmouth, TQ6 0EX. The variation application is to: Include the supply of alcohol for consumption off the premises during the current times authorised for on sales – Monday to Saturday 10:00am – midnight, Sunday 10:00am – 11:30pm. Support on the conditions that the change is for the period of COVID-19 restrictions and any related problems with litter/rubbish are the Anchorstone Cafe's responsibility. DPC agreed it would reopen the playground using the same approach as SHDC. DPC will not take action in response to an unauthorised realignment of a low retaining wall of the Old Chapel Burial Ground. It was agreed to approve a booking request from the Outdoor Swimming Society for Dart 10K events in 2021 and 2022. Cllr Lara Lloyd will represent Dittisham on the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner Councillor Advocate Scheme. It was agreed to implement Maintenance Contract's requirement for training certificates. A submission to purchase the Capton Bus Shelter for £350 was accepted.

The Financial Report, which showed a balance of £60,116.87 and un earmarked reserves of £0.91, and the bank reconciliation were approved. Approved Payments : Ham Maintenance Contractor, 2019/20 contract, £4,700.00 Car Park Supervisor, Supervision March to July 2020, £400.00 Came & Company, Insurance, £541.62 Lengthsman, Dec 2019 to May 2020, £100.00 Cllr Faulkner, Padlock and noticeboard materials, £39.39 Clerk's Expenses Reimbursement claim, £124.84. The 2019/20 Internal Audit report was noted, and the 2019/20 Annual Governance Statement and Audit Accounting Statements were approved. The Clerk's request for annual leave 27/7/20-21/8/20 and 21/12/20 – 31/12/20, and to carry forward 5 days leave were approved. Notes from the Extraordinary Meeting of Dittisham Parish Council held using public videoconferencing on Wednesday 22 July 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The requirement that dogs in public spaces must be on a lead may not be well understood. The person in charge of a dog must clean up after the dog has fouled in a public space. New Planning Applications: 1669/20/HHO Capton Mill Cottage Capton Dittisham TQ6 0JE Householder application for the erection of timber framed studio/workshop with washroom and replacement septic tank. Support 1833/20/VAR Barberry Farm Dittisham TQ6 0JA. Removal of condition (e) of planning consent 18/1285/75/1 (agricultural occupancy condition). A CLE has been granted for existing use in breach of the agricultural occupancy condition. South Hams District Cllr McKay will report back on the legal process followed to grant the CLE. 2041/20/ARC Kiln Lyon Lower Street Dittisham TQ6 0HY. Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3 and 4 of planning consent 0277/20/FUL. Support. 2134/20/FUL The Linhay Barn Chipton Barton Dittisham TQ6 0HW. Refurbishment and change of use from holiday let to full residential. Support. Consultations: SHDC, Dog Control Orders. DPC supported the renewal of the Public Space Protection Orders and the proposed addition of new orders including that dog walkers must carry dog bags or other container to collect dog waste. DPC also encourages SHDC communications to reinforce the existing orders. The previous maintenance contract ended in July and the contractor has chosen not to accept a one year extension. A communication will be sent thank them for 28 years of work for DPC. Arrangements are being made for grounds maintenance works to be carried out by SHDC to the end of 2020 and to manage Hemlock Water Dropwort identified in the gullies around The

Ham. DPC hopes to finalise a new maintenance contract in its 2/12/20 meeting. Councillors agreed that the practical and manageable steps are in place to reduce risk of spread of COVID-19 in the car parks and playground. DPC will monitor the risk of the situation and respond if the risk increases. A deposit of £1,500 or 44% of the total hire fee was agreed for the OSS Dart 10K hire, and the CPI increase in the hire fee will be calculated as near as possible to the days of the event and then deducted from the deposit returned to OSS. The request for the hire fee and deposit to be paid on 31 October 2020 was agreed. Concerns raised about obtaining socially distanced access to boats berthed on the pontoon, were discussed. Cllr Nightingale will suggest fewer and more graphic signs, and also write to see if the Anchorstone Café can assist when crabbing buckets are obtained by asking users of the pontoon to please be responsible and social distance. Approved Payments: Maintenance contractor, noticeboard posts, £50.60 Clerk's Overtime claim CE19 15 hours over May and June The next ordinary meeting of Dittisham Parish Council will be held on 2 September 2020 at 7:00 pm using Zoom.

Full Minutes, Agendas, and Parish Council contact details are available at <http://www.dittishamparish.co.uk> and on [The Level Parish Council noticeboard](#). Contact details are also on the [Capton noticeboard](#).

## Ashprington Parish Council



Thursday July 2nd, 2020 at 7.30 pm held virtually on ZOOM. Present; Cllrs Stocks {Chair} Thompson {Vice Chair}, S. Seeley, L. Green, T.Green. Also present Michael Read, Clerk, District Cllr. J. McKay, County Cllr Hawkins, one member of the public. Apologies - P Macey, P3 Co Ordinator. M. Pearey.

Covid19: the Zoom contract remains in place following advice from the National Association of Local Councils. There is no meeting in August but the September meeting is likely to be virtual. Devon Air Ambulance: Planning permission has been granted and the mast already is in situ – DAAT and the parish will now apply for a grant to fund part of the cost. The funds will come from a special government fund. Casual Parish Councillor Vacancies: The Clerk advised that the process to select new councillors will be held on August 6th from 6.30pm. The whole Council will be present. There are no plans yet to reopen the hall. Locality Fund Bids. The Council agreed to use some of the Locality Funds money still available to part fund a new website for the Parish. The existing site will not be compliant from September 2020. The work is likely to cost up to £1000 and a full appraisal of the Council's needs will be made by the Chair and Vice Chair. Funds would also be used to mark an amphibian crossing for toads in Tuckenhay under the auspices of Mike Pearey. A chalkboard for walkers to annotate signs of wild life, will be either purchased or built to order. Bicycle Rack: The rack has now been erected in Ash Meadow – thanks to Cllr Green for arranging and to the Durant for the donation. Through Route Sign: The sign is now in situ to hopefully improve traffic movement near the War Memorial. P3 Report: Pam Macey could not be present; Crownley Woods may need strimming. Clerk to follow up. Tree Warden Report: Ash trees in the parish should be photographed annually to track the possible spread of Ash Dieback Disease. Mike Pearey has volunteered as a Tree Warden serving in the Parish. Mike Pearey is reviewing the Tree Preservation Order process.

Planning 1104/20/FUL Ashprington PC. Ash Meadow. Installation of mast & LEED Landing lights. 0938/29/HHO Mr & Mrs Rogers. Langham View. Application for extension to garage. Conditional Approval by SHDC.

1170/20/FUL Granary Farm, Washbourne. Change of use of land to residential curtilage/garden. Conditional Approval SHDC.

Post Barn Planning Appeal. The Clerk reported that the owners have appealed against the Planning Decision of the 5th of December 2019. It was agreed that the Parish Council should submit a report to the Inspectorate indicating its concerns to the Inspectorate. Cllr L. Green and Cllr. T. Green did not vote as they had previously declared an interest in this planning application. District Cllr Report Cllr McKay reported that he was pleased that the West Dart cluster was operating well. SHDC are in financial trouble due to the virus. Some funds have been received from Central Government and there will be an emergency budget in September.

County Councillor Report.: Cllr Hawkins reported that DCC have been awarded beacon status for their handling of the pandemic. A new CEO has been appointed. There are currently no Covid 19 cases in Torbay Hospital. The parish roads are in reasonable shape and more funds to tackle potholes is

expected. Ash Meadow Report: SHDC cutting grass again and compost shredding so that we can start producing compost again in Autumn. This will cause shortfall in income for a while. Volunteers have continued to work individually on meadow and its in good condition. Meadow being well used especially by teenagers who have developed small BMX track in the copse. Reports of dogs on meadow received and temporary larger signage has been put up, this is to be discussed at meeting on 6/7/2020 Nigel Paterson has inspected Ash trees and completed some remedial work needed because of Ash die back and will continue to monitor carefully.

Katherine and Barry have inspected and carried remedial work as directed by last insurance inspection. DAA night landing site work has been completed and the light is in place and should be activated within the next few weeks. Other Business: Website Accessibility Regulations See under "Locality Bids" Lengthsman's Duties: The Council is to apply for a Highway Maintenance Grant to cover part of the anticipated cost of a Lengthsman service. Coronation Plot/Damage to Verge.: The Chair thanked Graham Ware for keeping the Coronation Plot so well – the grass is regularly cut and the bench has been repaired. A tree will be kept under observation as it may become "fouled" in the overhead cables. The verge north of the South West Water Works, has been badly chewed up. The Chair reminded parishioners that they should not park there. The land is owned by DCC who will not give permission to plant trees or shrubs. However, it might be possible to create an earthen bank to deter cars. The Council will revisit this. Sharpham Winery are moving from Sharpham shortly and there may be some traffic disruption to facilitate the move from July 6th onwards. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.45pm.

Next Meeting on Thursday September 3rd, 2020 at 7.30pm remotely on ZOOM. Request access code from the Clerk {email address or telephone below}

M.J. Read, Parish Clerk – [spooks49@michaelread.plus.com](mailto:spooks49@michaelread.plus.com). Tel 01803 732047.



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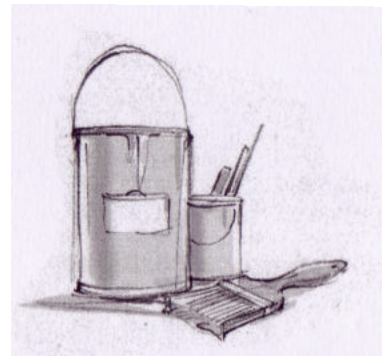
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