

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT - FEBRUARY 2021

EAST BUDLEIGH COMMUNITY SHOP

The Community Shop has published the Annual Report in the Parish Magazine. After meeting all their increased overheads, and absorbing many price increases, the shop had a small deficit in the last financial year. Sales are now buoyant, and the average sales per transaction have more than doubled. The free collection/delivery service is still operating, and can be arranged by phoning any weekday morning.

VILLAGE HALL

Nothing further to report, until we have news on the ending of lockdown regulations.

INTERIM DEVON CARBON PLAN

Devon County Council are about to launch their Devon Carbon Plan, and there is very good information on this on their website. Once the full plan is launched I can present a summary of the numerous issues that may affect our community.

I am following up information on ideas being put forward in Exeter by ZPN Energy to launch a number of rapid electric vehicle charge points, powered by solar energy generated in Devon. This is potentially a service that we could provide in our village car park, for residents and visitors.

COUNCILLOR ADVOCATE SCHEME (Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner)

The results of the Police and Crime Commissioner's annual survey show that residents of Devon want money invested in visible neighbourhood policing, technology and crime prevention. The crime types that were judged most in need of addressing were anti-social behaviour, drug dealing and road traffic offences. These results will influence the work on the budget. By the end of March 2022, there will be an increase of 141 police officers.

Reports of alleged breaches of Covid 19 regulations can be made on the police website. Up to the end of last month, 2,551 reports had been made, resulting in 207 Fixed Penalty Notices being issued.

RECREATION GROUND

I am pleased to say there are no incidents to report. The recreation ground is being used by an increased number of people for a variety of recreational activities.

Cllr. John Tresidder.