

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT - MARCH 2021

EAST BUDLEIGH COMMUNITY SHOP

The 12th Annual General Meeting took place on 25th February using Zoom. It was a good opportunity to thank the staff, volunteers and customers for all they had done to keep the shop thriving through such a difficult year. A small deficit was reported for the last financial year (to the end of September), but the shop has seen a significant increase in turnover since October, and the average basket value has doubled since the same period last year. The management committee members were re-elected, with Paul Smith as Chair. Stuart Laws was welcomed as a new committee member in charge of IT. Judith Venning was thanked for her sterling work on the committee and as Chair.

VILLAGE HALL

The minutes of the Trustee Meeting held on 23rd March have been circulated to Parish Councillors, with details of the unfortunate breach of Covid 19 regulations. The Annual General Meeting will take place on 27th April. Chris Dearsley will be standing down as Chair, and Joe Murphy will assume the interim role. Nick James and Sam Houston will be joining the Trustees.

DEVON CLIMATE EMERGENCY COUNCIL SUPPORT NETWORK

The recent online survey was completed by 1,300 respondents. Over the next few weeks, the Net-Zero Task Force will be preparing a consultation report that will summarise the main recommendations, which will be published on the Devon County Council website. All the comments will be discussed and used to improve the final version of the Devon Carbon Plan that we will be encouraged to sign up to.

As part of the work looking at ways of providing electric car charging in our car park I am planning to conduct a survey to gain information about the use of electric vehicles in the community – and by visitors.

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

No reports or information received, apart from notice of a national survey on the use of Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) to which I responded.

Can I repeat a reminder that reports of alleged breaches of Covid 19 regulations can be made on the police website

Cllr. John Tresidder.