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Front Cover Picture— An Ancient Tree - image from the "The Queen's Green Canopy" project (queensgreencanopy.org). Members of Lewdown W.I. planted a tree in honour of the later 3 Queen Elizabeth II—see page 23.

Soupa Troopers

All welcome to this community event



2023 Wednesday February 8th Wednesday March 8th Wednesday April 8th

From 12.30pm in Lewdown Victory Hall Soup and a Bread Roll, Tea or Coffee - £3



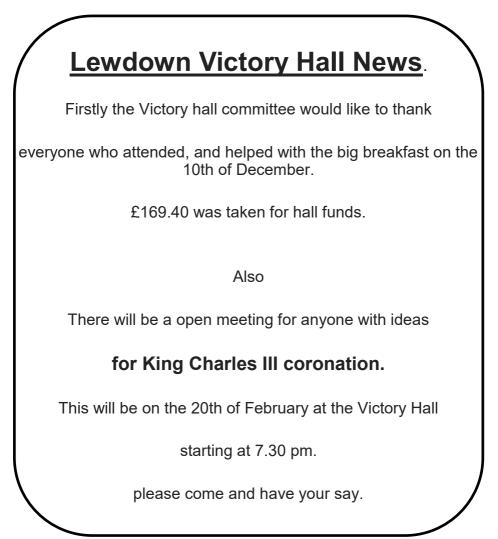
Followed by conversation & games



Newslink Delivery

Could anybody help deliver the newslinks around the Lewtrenchard area on a monthly basis.

Please call Terry on 01566783079 / 07831309666 for exact area.





An Daras Trust Lew Trenchard Primary School



Baby / Toddler Session

Monday morning 9.30am to 10.30am. Justine welcomes you to come and join her at Lew Trenchard Primary School for lots of fun activities (some messy) and plenty of singing. A great opportunity to meet other parents / carers. £2.00 per session – please bring your own snack (we are unable to provide drinks for parents). We will be adhering to all current covid policies and procedures to keep you and your little one safe.

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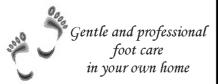
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"I keep seeing on the news that my bills could be going up soon. It's making me really worried especially as I spent more on Christmas than I should have done. How can I get my spending back on track in 2023?"

Lots of people are asking themselves this very question just now but there are lots of things you can do to be more in control of your money and be better prepared for the future.

1. Be very clear about exactly how much money you have coming in and going out each month and be realistic about what you really need for essentials like food and travel.

2. Set yourself a budget that you can stick to. You may find our budgeting tool useful to help you.

https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/budgeting/ budgeting/work-out-your-budget/

If any of your bills do go up during the year, you can go back to our budgeting tool at any time, create a new plan and stay in control.

3. See if you can reduce any of your living costs. https://

www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/help-with-debt/dealing-withyour-debts/reducing-your-regular-living-costs/

4. Make sure you are getting all the income you are entitled to.

https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/help-with-debt/ dealing-with-your-debts/check-if-you-can-increase-your-income/

Will show you if you are entitled to support such as benefits or government grants. It will also tell you if you are being paid the correct wage.

5. As credit or store card bills land on the mat it is perfectly understandable that these debts add to your worries but the priority has to be paying your rent/mortgage, energy bills and Council Tax as failing to pay these has serious consequences. The following links give advice about which bills you need to prioritise and support available to help pay these and other bills.

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https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/budgeting/ budgeting/get-help-with-bills/

New Bus Route times to Okehampton Station!

Stagecoach will no longer operate service 6A between Launceston and Okehampton, which will be replaced by new service 306 operated by Go Cornwall Bus under contract to Devon County Council and Cornwall Council

Service 306 will also serve Okehampton Railway Station for train connections.



Note: There will no longer be a Sunday service between Launceston and Okehampton.

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<u>CLAY at HOME WORKSHOPS 2023!</u> Feeling the need to be creative, less anxious, less stressed?

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fired before being collected/delivered.

For more info contact Gill 07794 532961

Stowford Parish Council



The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who donated money to buy a Remembrance "Unknown Tommy"

statue, their kindness has also helped to buy a second Remembrance "Unknown Women in War" statue. Both statues

can be seen adjacent to the Remembrance tree located in green triangle lawn in front of Stowford St John Church. Leroy St Louis (Chairman)

A Warm Welcome at Lifton Community Centre

Drop-in for a hot drink & social time on Mondays 10.30 am - 12.30 pm From 5 December

The number of days and the length of time we can provide this service will be increased if there is suffient demand & volunteers. Please contact Elizabeth on 784386 to offer whatever time you can.

Lewtrenchard WI January Report

We met on December 20 & January 09 at Lewdown Victory Hall. Both meetings were well attended.

At Decembers meeting Margaret: welcomed all to our Christmas party (postponed from December 12 due bad weather) including a warm welcome to the Lifton singers and Teresa, her first visit since her





accident. We had a few

announcements then the Lifton singers entertained us with some lovely Carols. Our committee members discreetly left

the room, got changed and then performed a surprise Snow

White 'speed panto'. It was hilarious. Susanne recorded the performance so that we can share it with absent members.

We all settled down for something to

eat. As always, there was plenty of delicious food. Secret Santa's were distributed and annual trophy-winners announced:

Flower of the month: Julie Chick

Competitions: 1st Joyce Vanstone, 2nd Julie Chick & 3rd Marion Lethbridge Potato Challenge: Joyce Vanstone

At Januarys meeting Margaret: handed over to Mary E, Lynn, Margaret D & Barbara to present the 2023 WI Resolutions. All were very good and interesting.

Mary - Save our water: Some interesting facts & water saving suggestions, the earth still has the same amount of water as when dinosaurs lived but now we have many more people. A lot of water is wasted due to leakages, if you know of persistent leaks contact your MP that is the only way to get higher powers moving. We are suffering more and more droughts. We can no longer take water for granted and must do our best to save it. At time of writing, this resolution received seven votes.

Lynn - Tea workers: A talk on the plight of female tea workers. The four biggest tea producers are China, India, Kenya and Sri Lanka. The majority of tea imported into Britain comes from Kenya. Tea is the most popular drink in the



world after water, with an estimated 70,000 cups drunk every second around the world. Women make up the majority of the tea-plucking workforce. Plucking is an extremely labour-intensive process with workers paid below living wage levels. Emily Pankhurst went to a great deal of trouble to help woman gain equality and it must not be in vain. At time of writing, this resolution received five votes.

Margaret - online gambling: Some woman may not be gamblers themselves but become victims by a gambling partner, they might experience financial hardship, domestic violence, unable to feed their children or heat their homes. A gambling woman might suffer extreme guilt causing mental suffering to herself or the whole family. Studies from June 2022 show a decrease in gambling, but remote betting increased. More than one death a year is down to gambling. This calls for an urgent new gambling act. At time of writing, this resolution received five votes.

Barbara - clean rivers for people & wildlife: A 'chemical cocktail' of sewage, agricultural waste and plastic is polluting the waters of many of the country's rivers. Two main polluters are sewage spills from the water industry and pollution from the agricultural sector. Not enough is being done; we are calling for Government to designate stretches of rivers for safe bathing. At time of writing, this resolution received two votes.

Date and venue for next meeting: February 13, 2023, 7pm Victory Hall Lewdown.

February dates for your diary:

10 - Walk

- 14 Show the Love for Climate Change
- 17 Coffee morning at Roadford Lake



Please come along to any of the above, you will be made most welcome.

Stowford Parish Hall Hire Charges

£3 per hour (Special rates for users of over 30 weeks per year £2 per hour)

Parties, Wedding, Funerals £20

General and Euro Elections £120

Tables £2 each (plus £20 Deposit) Any number of Chairs 25p each

Contact Julie Chick on 01566 783223 for bookings and enquiries

Stowford Parish Council



Minutes of ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 8th November 2022

These are abbreviated minutes, for the full minutes please visit the council website. www. stowfordparishcouncil.org.uk

Meeting No 713

Present:- Cllrs Leroy St Louis (Chair), John Govett, Rees Kenyon, Lorna St Louis, Cllr Chris Edmonds (WDBC), Cllr Lois Samuel (DCC), Peter van Delft (clerk), Meeting opened 7.32pm

- 1. Apologies Cllrs Law and Hennessey
- 2. Dispensations & declarations of interest Cllr Leroy St Louis for item 11 and 14
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting 712 were not signed by the chair, item held over to next meeting.
- 4. Lest we forget 'Tommy' statue Fund raising, positioning and security. Permission was granted to position the statues on the Triangle outside St John Church, concerns were raised over the possibility of storm damage, the clerk was requested to add the statues to the list of items to be insured on the council policy. After much discussion Cllr Leroy St Louis proposed that the statues remain in situ, seconded by Cllr Lorna St Louis, all were in favour, statues to be added to the asset register and included on the insurance policy. The clerk informed that the total fund-raising donations received £225.00. It was resolved that the balance of £66.67 for the purchase is paid from the council's reserves, proposed by Cllr Leroy St Louis, seconded by Cllr Kenyon, all in favour. A service was to be held at Stowford Church; service will start at 10.45am on 11th November.
- 5. Finance 5.1 Payments were authorised for the following Clerk salary P van Delft (Sept Oct) £208.80, HMRC PAYE £16.80, P van Delft repayment of Tommy statues £350.00, Mr T. Nash Wreath £18.00, Proposed by Cllr Kenyon, seconded by Cllr Govett, all in favour. 5.2 Insurance claim Storm damage to bus shelter refund received, 5.3 R.F.O. Reported a cash credit of £6,253.75 after payments. Proposed by Cllr Lorna St Louis, seconded Cllr Govett, all in favour, 5.4 The draft budget was considered; it was resolved that the budget should be restricted to a maximum 3% increase. Motion proposed by Cllr Govett, seconded by Cllr Loroy St Louis all in favour
- 6. Cllr Edmonds (WDBC) reported the Stagecoach 6a bus service were changing, this is now managed by Cornwall Service No 306. This service now links in better with the train services at Okehampton. Help and guidance with people suffering from the cost-of-living crisis is now available from the council, see the website

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for more details, a leaflet is also available. Information on support grants, energy efficiency improvements. Independent advice is also available from Citizens Advice.

- 7. Cllrs reports. Cllr Samuel (DCC) reported that there were still grant funding available from her Localities grant fund, interested groups, societies and non-profit making organisations should contact her. Finances for the council were poor due to government cutbacks a reduction in funding will result in the County Council finding £37M in savings and a further £75M in the year 2023-24 Cllr Govett thanked Devon Highways for resurfacing the highway through the village. Cllr Govett asked Cllr Edmonds how many new homes were expected to be built in Stowford? Cllr. Edmonds confirmed that the Joint Local Plan contained an indicative number of 10 dwellings for Stowford over the life of the Plan, (2017-2034). Cllr Govett enquired if the pc can provide suggestions for suitable sites for building. Cllr Edmonds replied that no sites had been allocated in Stowford. Cllr Govett also asked Cllr Edmonds if West Devon had a policy that requires only one property/house to be built on someone's own land. Cllr Edmonds responded by saying that it was his understanding that the JLP does not contain such a policy but would make enquiries with the Local Planning Authority. Cllr. Edmonds advised that members of the council and the public can view details of the Joint Local Plan on the WDBC website. He also suggested that the Parish Council could consider developing a Neighbourhood Plan to consider the future development needs of the village and provided some local examples of councils that had already done so. The results of a Stowford Parish Plan July 2017 can be found on its website.
- Parish Hall lease agreement Councillors reviewed the draft lease agreement, it was resolved to proceed with agreement in the current format, proposed by Cllr Leroy St Louis, seconded by Cllr Kenyon all in favour.
- 9. Safeguarding of the 1839 Parish Map A revised quote to scan, print and frame the map has been received for the sum of £545, it was resolved to ask for a Localities grant from DCC for this most important document, motion proposed by Cllr Govett, seconded by Cllr Leroy St Louis all in favour.
- Broadband Fibre update Cllr Kenyon reported that he had asked for Airband to the next council meeting in January, once arranged Cllr Leroy St Louis to promote details of the meeting on facebook and the Newslink magazine. Members of the public are most welcome.
- 11. Defibrillator training Cllr Leroy St Louis reported that the SPHC would arrange a date. T.B.A.
- 12. Coronation of King Charles III 6^{th} May 2023, parish celebration arrangements. Members and the public should contact the chair and clerk for ideas.
- 13. Meeting dates 2023 It was resolved to approve the dates, proposed by Cllr Leroy St Louis, seconded by Cllr Kenyon, all in favour. Meeting closed 9.20pm

Lewdown Past The Lewdown and area local history group

Field names in our local parishes An illustrated talk by **Ellen Chaplin** Stowford Parish Hall, 7.30pm on Tuesday 21st February



699, now known as Rampsonwillis. What are the origins of this name?

Field names have long been an important part of rural life. Their most widespread source is Tithe Maps (example above), produced around 1840 for every parish in England and Wales. The accompanying Apportionments recorded the landowner, the occupier, the field's name, its land use, acreage and valuation, the latter intended to replace the 'tithe', or tenth, of the produce formerly payable to the church. Some names such as Furze Platt give clues to the character of the land while others, such as Lout Park, Turftie or Turmpy remain a mystery. Field names seem to have changed little over time and the tithe survey may have built on existing estate maps. Maybe you know of such a map?

Our speaker, who grew up locally, is currently studying field names and also general place names in Devon, parish by parish, with the aim of updating the English Place Name Society's publications on Devon. She has researched a variety of maps and other sources and her talk to the Devonshire Association was very well received.

Visitors are very welcome: charge £2 for members, £3 for visitors, including refreshments. Parking in front of the hall or opposite. Enquiries: phone Hilary on 01566 783396.



CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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St. Mary the Virgin, Marystowe

Please see the church website <u>www.southtamar.church</u> for details about services. Services are also available online from 6pm on Sundays.

North Tamar Mission Community

Services and Events: February 2023

Any updates will be posted on the Benefice Website. <u>north-tamar-churches.org</u>. At going to Print, the following services are arranged in the Benefice

Sundays and Festivals

5 th February	Third Sunday before Lent
8am	Eucharist at Stowford
9.30am	Parish Eucharist at Lifton
11.15am	Parish Eucharist at Kelly

12th FebruarySecond Sunday before Lent9.30amParish Eucharist at BroadwoodwidgerMorning Prayer at Thrushelton11.15amParish Eucharist at Lewtrenchard4pmEvensong at Lifton

19th February 9.30am 11.15am Sunday before Lent Parish Eucharist at Lifton Parish Eucharist at Stowford Morning Prayer at Kelly

22nd February ASH WEDNESDAY

No 10.30am Eucharist at Lifton 7pm Liturgy for The Beginning of Lent at Lifton

26 th February	First Sunday in Lent
9.30am	Parish Eucharist at Thrushelton
	Morning Prayer at Lifton
11.15am	Parish Eucharist at Lewtrenchard

Wednesday Morning Eucharist: 10.30 at Lifton

There may be some occasions when the Wednesday Morning Service will be a service of Morning Prayer.

From The Parish Priest

Dear friends,

Well, we had a relatively normal Christmas! We could travel and gather together, we could sing together in church and enjoy each other's company in our homes. I was able to be with my mum at new year for the first time in three years!

When things go wrong, or when we are stopped from doing what we usually do, there is always the temptation to look back at what we used to do and wish for it. That is completely understandable. However, we also have opportunities to look at what we could and can do now. This may even mean changing some of the things we do.

This month sees Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent when we are asked by the church to REPENT! The word **repent** has all sorts of overtones and undertones which are not always helpful, but it actually means to TURN AROUND. Lent has traditionally been the time when Christians have concentrated on the way we live our lives, on turning round back to live as Jesus calls us to. In some ways much of the traditional Lenten practice has been replaced in secular society by efforts such as Dry January which are about personal discipline and wellbeing. The Christian church has been encouraging its members to live lives in love, prayer and service for all of its existence. In Lent we are called to think about how we can be better Christians, people, husbands, wives, employers, workers... by following Christ's Call to live in his love.

I invite you all to use this time as we prepare for the great feast of Easter to explore God's love, and join us for our worship across the benefice, and to our Lent exploration Group on Monday evenings, as we look towards what God is calling us to do and be in 2023.

With love and prayers,

Philip

Launceston Men's Probus Club



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Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton Abbreviated minute No 756 of Tuesday 15th November 2022 held at the Victory Halls These minutes are abbreviated for the full minutes please visit the Council's website www.lewdowngroupedparishcouncil.org.uk

Present: Cllrs Andrews (Chair) Southcott (vice chair), Harrop, McSmythurs, Metherell, Perkins, Vanstone, Cllr Mott (WDBC), P van Delft (clerk). Meeting opened 7.32

- 1. Apologies for absence Cllrs Dawe, Richards, Wilkinson, Yeo
- 2. Dispensations & declarations of interest Cllr Southcott item 8 Newslink
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting 755 being a true reflection of that meeting was approved and signed by the chair. Proposed by Cllr Southcott, seconded by Cllr Andrews, all in favour.
- Planning 3412/22/HHO Householder application for proposed ground & first floor extensions to provide enlarged kitchen, bedroom and en-suit & replacement windows. Site- Thrushelball, Lewdown, EX20 4QY.
 Council decision – Support – proposed by Cllr Harron, seconded by Cllr

Council decision – Support – proposed by Cllr Harrop, seconded by Cllr McSmythurs, all in favour

Planning 3413/22/LBC – Listed building consent for proposed ground floor and first floor extensions to provide enlarged kitchen, bedroom, & en-suite & replacement windows, Site Thrushelball, Road from Thrushelton Church to Cannon Barn, Council decision – No comment – Proposed by Cllr Harrop, seconded by Cllr Perkins, all in favour.

Planning 3204/22/ARM – Application for approval of reserved matters following outline approval 1277/20/OPA in relation to plot 2 and discharge of conditions 3 approved drawings) 8 (energy statement) & 11 (surface water discharge) relating to plot 2, Site - Slaughterhouse, Lewdown

Council decision – Support – proposed by Cllr Harrop, seconded by Cllr McSmythurs, all in favour

Planning 1841/22/FUL – Replacement dwelling (resubmission of 3252/21/FUL, Site - Mobile Home, Widdacombe Barns, Lewdown, EX20 4EA. Council decision – Object – proposed by Cllr Perkins, seconded by Cllr An-

drews, all in favour except for Cllr Metherell who abstained.

- 5. Queens Platinum Jubilee bench, Inclusion of a verse provided by Lewtrenchard Primary School. It was proposed by Cllr Metherell to include the second plaque with the text as provided, seconded by Cllr Vanstone, all in favour.
- 6. Finance 6.1 Payments were authorised for the following: Dean Elliott Final grass cut £55.00, South Hams District Council Parish Maps £58.13, Mr Tim Nash Remembrance wreath £18.00, No Butts Bin Co Ltd Lewtrenchard plaque for Queens bench £72.00, P. van Delft clerk salary (Oct Nov) £466.68, HMRC PAYE £75.40, Coryton PCC maintenance payment £250.00,

Lewtrenchard PCC – Maintenance payment £250.00, Marystow PCC – Maintenance payment £250.00, Thrushelton PCC – Maintenance payment £250.00. It was resolved that the Lewdown Cricket Club, Newslink and Citizens Advice donations needed to be reviewed thus they were not authorised at this meeting. Future donation payments for Lewdown Cricket Club to be £15, Newslink to be £250 and Citizens Advice £250.00, motion proposed by Cllr Harrop, seconded by Cllr Perkins all in favour except Cllr Southcott who abstained. Review of grass cutting contract – The current contractor confirmed that there would be no change to the quoted contract of 2021. The second guote was considered not best value, motion to continue with the current contractor proposed by Cllr Harrop, seconded Cllr Perkins all in favour. 62 R.F.O Reported a credit balance after authorised payments £21,094.12 6.3 Draft budget and precept request – The RFO provided a draft for consideration, after due consideration it was resolved to restrict the increase to 4% or to £8524 for the year 2023-24, changes to some donations awards were also considered this resulted without any overall increase to the draft. Final budget and precept request to be reviewed at the next meeting.

- 7. Cllr Mott (WDBC) reported that the council were now able to provide 'Warm Hub Grants' to groups, organisations clubs etc. The council is available to help individuals experiencing difficulties with the cost of living increases with various entitlements, contact your WDBC councillor or visit the WDBC website for more information.
- 8. Reports from councillors Cllr Andrews reported to Devon Highways a problem relating to the Crossroads signpost, also reported the poor road surface from Lewdown to Bratton Clovely. Cllr Perkins also reported to D.H. the damage on the bridge by Angel Steps. Cllr Southcott reported that documentation relating to V.A.S. has now been signed, he also reported that work for the new 30mph speed limit through the village will be completed by 1st April 2023.
- 9. Reports from DCC Cllr Samuel have been circulated via email.
- 10. Financial assistance for Lewtrenchard school 'Rewilding Project' Cllr McSmythurs reported that there was no reason why the council could not make a financial contribution for projects outside the educational curriculum, it was resolved to hold over the item to the next meeting when Cllr Richards could report further.
- 11. Section 106 money affordable housing contribution use for the parish's, it was resolved to hold over to the next meeting.
- 12. Play area equipment Cllr McSmythurs reported that he held a telephone meeting with WDBC regarding the three options that the parish council were considering. WDBC were in principle supportive of the pc's proposed vicinity for a play area however it would not like to see any significant visibility infringement from the play equipment with the surrounding area, also con-

cerns with a new road access to the proposed play area were raised, it would not support a new separate entrance for the play area, alternatives will need to be sought.

13. The chair motioned for an extension to the meeting, proposed by Cllr Southcott, seconded by Cllr Perkins, all in favour. Cllr McSmythurs proposed that the play area is sited at the recreation ground and may be best suited for the purpose, It lies parallel to the Victory Hall and the Cricket Club. Cllr McSmythurs asked if the council could formally ask for a meeting with the Recreation Ground Trust to discuss the proposal. Cllr Perkins raised concerns over parking for users of the playground, Cllr Metherell suggested that there was a path behind the Cricket pavilion that could be considered useful in gaining access to the playground. Cllr Sothcott proposed to arrange a meeting with the Victory Hall Committee and the Recreation Ground Trust, however it was resolved to wait with a meeting until it heard back from the Baring Gould Trust before considering any further action.

Meeting dates for 2023 were approved. Meeting closed 9.58

- Items for inclusion at the next meeting. Vehicle activated Signs update including fundraising & planning. Emergency Plan – Draft plan for consideration, storage of equipment. Planning applications – Training for councillors, Playground/equipment, Lewtrenchard Rewilding Project, S106 money.
- Date, place and time of next meeting 30th January 2023, at Lewdown Victory Hall, 7.30pm

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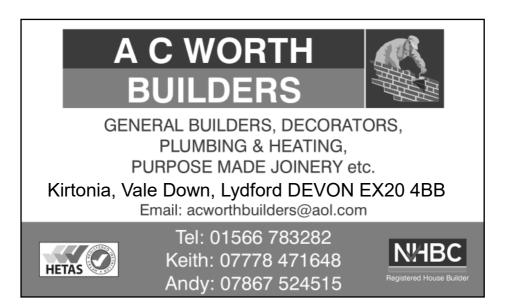
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