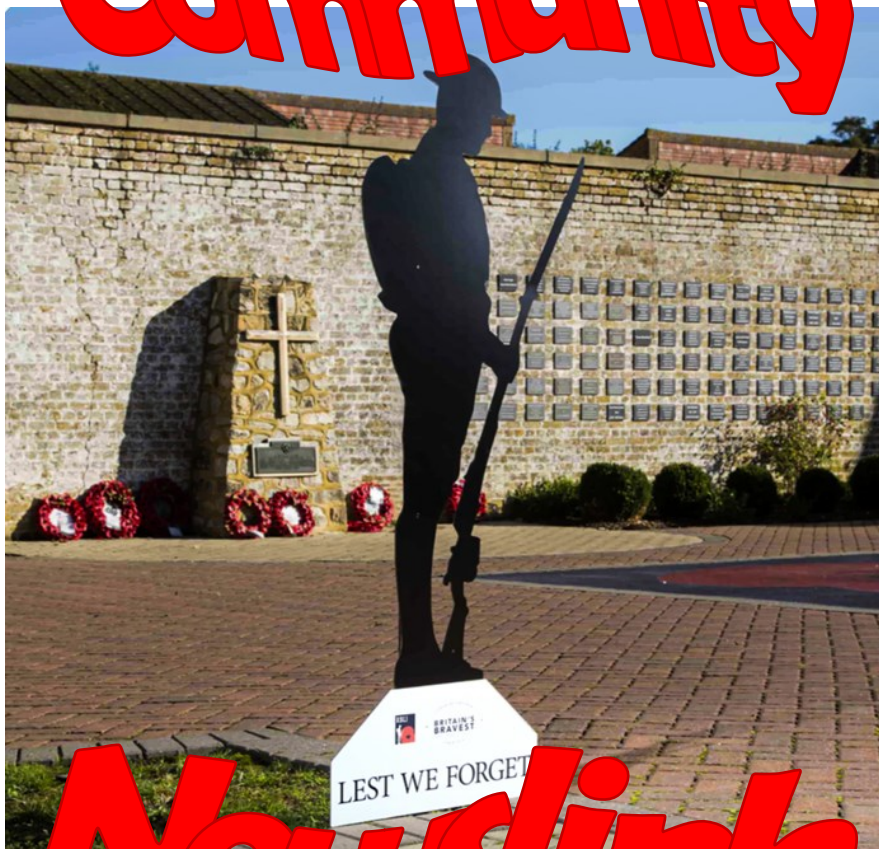


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Front Cover Picture—Stowford Parish Council, are planning to purchase a “Lest We Forget Tommy” - see page 5 for more details

Soupa Troopers

All welcome to this community event



2022

Wednesday November 9th

Wednesday December 14th Christmas Special

Wednesday January 11th

From 12.30pm in Lewdown Victory Hall

Soup and a Bread Roll, Tea or Coffee - £3



Followed by conversation & games



S Hedger 10/22

Dear readers. I recently went for a job interview, and the interviewer ask if I could preform under pressure. After some thought I said, I could have a good go, but I am word perfect at bohemian rhapsody.

Good evening to you all, at this wonderful time of year. The days are getting shorter, autumn colours are on display in the woods and gardens, and the present Mrs Nash is struggling to dry the washing on the line. We know there are worse things happening in the world, but it is rather high in the annoyance stakes I'm told.

Aren't the price of new dentures extortionate, £800 pounds for something that almost indestructible made from chrome, unlike my last one that sadly gave up its purpose in life while I was eating fish and chips. I will road test the new one with a packet of porky scratching , and let you now how I get on.

I can hear some of you saying, why do you need one Mr Nash, it's difficult to improve something that is already prefect, I know this, but vanity and the need to whistle are important things.

Before I close just a reminder that poppy collections will be starting on around the 29th of October. Wonderful people will be going house to house, and there will also be boxes in and around the local villages. Please give generously for this wonderful cause.

Remembrance Sunday this year is on the 13th of November and acts of worship will be held in the normal places. If unsure just ask.

Will close now as it's bath night, the third this year. Can someone tell me if water restrictions have ended yet, or do I keep on washing off the Sunday veg while I am in there. Best wishes Tim Nash your cleanish chairperson.

Two bed bugs meet, and fall in love. They're getting married in the spring.

I was walking down the road this morning and first i got hit by a violin, then a clarinet and then a piano.

I think it was a orchestrated attack.

Stowford Parish Tommy

Stowford Parish Council, in support of the Royal British Legion, intend to purchase a Lest We Forget Tommy in remembrance of the fallen who paid the ultimate price. It is planned that the Tommy is to be erected within the Church triangle.

If you would like to contribute to this cause in support of the RBLI, please make donations to Stowford Parish Council, by cheque or bacs; details, sort code 30-94-91 account No 00615894.

Thank you.

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Stowford Parish Council



Abbreviated minutes of ordinary meeting held on Tuesday 6th September 2022

For the full minutes see the website or noticeboards. These abbreviated minutes are provisional until they are signed by the chair at the next meeting of the parish council.

Meeting No 712

Present:- Cllrs Leroy St Louis (Chair), Judy Law (Vice chair) Audrey Hennessey, Lorna St Louis, Cllr Chris Edmonds (WDBC), Peter van Delft (clerk),

Meeting opened 7.35pm

1. Message from the Chair – The chair acknowledged the contribution that Kay Roberts made for the parish council and the community as a whole, her well attended funeral provided a fine celebration of her life.
2. Members of the public open forum – Two members were present and wished to be considered for the vacant positions of parish councillor.
3. Dispensations & declarations of interest – Cllrs Leroy St Louis, Audrey Hennessey.
4. Minutes of previous meeting 711 were signed by the chair as a true and accurate record of that meeting, proposed by Cllr Lorna St Louis, seconded Cllr Hennessey, all in favour.
5. Finance – 5.1 Payments were authorised for Clerk salary P van Delft (July- Aug) £225.60 proposed by Cllr Law, seconded by Cllr Lorna St Louis, all in favour. 5.2 Insurance claim – Storm damage to bus shelter – the R.F.O. informed that he was still waiting for the claim payment. 5.3 R.F.O. Reported a credit balance after payments of £4,781.97, proposed by Cllr Leroy St Louis, seconded by Cllr Law, all in favour.
6. New councillors vacancy. The chair opened the floor for interested parties to apply for the councillor vacancy. Mr John Govett introduced himself with a summary of his previous work and personal interests. Cllr Hennessey proposed Mr Govett for councillor being a replacement for former Cllr Dunn, seconded by Cllr Lorna St Louis, all in favour. Another parishioner also expressed an interest in becoming a councillor however until personal commitments were complete and application would have to wait until the winter. The second vacancy would allow the p.c. to coopt new council members from 22nd September.
7. Cllr Edmonds reported that WDBC was developing plans to deal with the ‘cost of living’ crisis in the borough, WDBC is working together with partner agencies, P.C’s and C.A.B to help provide support, a report will be published on 1st Nov.
8. Cllrs reports – Cllr Law provided information from the P.C.C on the advocacy scheme, going forward Cllr Law will in future disseminate information direct to

councillors. Cllr Leroy St Louis reported that incidences of Avian Flu is rising and now in the county of Devon.

9. Parish Hall lease agreement – Extension to existing lease agreement and update. It was resolved to extend the current lease agreement to 12th January 2023, motion proposed Cllr Lorna St Louis, seconded Cllr Law, all in favour. Councillors were provided a list of questions from the solicitor requiring more detail for the lease agreement, it was resolved to discuss the points raised at the next meeting.
10. Safeguarding of the 1839 Parish Map – quote to scan, print and frame. It was resolved to discuss further at next meeting.
11. Social media council presence - Facebook page. The chair informed that a page on the 'Stowford Noticeboard' was now operative and providing council information, administrators for the page are Cllr Leroy St Louis and Cllr Law.
12. Communications policy – It was resolved to adopt the policy, motion proposed by Cllr Law, seconded by Cllr Lorna St Louis.
13. Defibrillator training – A member of the Stowford Parish Hall Committee is the main point of contact, Contact S.P.H.C for information, promotion of the training will be arranged. Training to be at Stowford Parish Hall.
14. Lest we forget 'Tommy' statue. It was resolved that the council would arrange for the purchase of the statue costing £175, Cllr Hennessey offered to donate £50.00 towards the cost and she also informed that The Stowford Parish Hall Committee would donate £25.00 towards the cost. Cllr Hennessey suggested that further donations maybe considered to help facilitate the purchase before 11th November. The chair offered to discuss the suggestion with the S.P.H.C. and how it could advertise in the Newslink. The clerk informed that the Rector is contacted to ask for permission to position the statue on land belonging to the church.
15. Items for inclusion at the next meeting – DCC increasing potholes in the parish. Cllr Govett suggested that after the successful Queens Platinum Jubilee celebration held in the parish this summer that another community celebration event for 2023 maybe considered. Cllr Kenyon emailed that a speaker is invited to talk about progress for the installation of superfast Broadband for the parish. Meeting closed 9.20pm. Next meeting - 8th November 2022.

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John Govett, Audrey Hennessey, Rees Kenyon, Lorna St Louis

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Lewtrenchard WI October Report

We met on October 10th at Lewdown Victory Hall.

There were no birthdays. Margaret welcomed everyone including new member Nicola and introduced speaker Barbara Dawkins, who will join us later on. September's minutes were read and signed, with no matters arising. We sang a lovely rendition of Jerusalem. We were all sorry to hear that Teresa is in hospital with a broken thigh, she has been moved to Exeter.



Jumble sale raised £296. Margaret thanked everyone for their hard work. Barbara S reminded us of the various clipboards.

Food Craft & Skills starts on 20/10/22 at Lamerton Hall, 1.45pm, entry £9 plus £2 for material. Any questions call Audrey H or email Monique, Marion or Hilary.

Margaret then handed over to Judy Law who presented Barbara Dawkins Husky Challenge Adventure. Barbara Dawkins is a local lady living in Lewdown, she is the daughter of our member Eileen. In 2018, her friend Angie wanted to do some sort of challenge and came across the Global Adventure Challenge, trekking with husky dogs and a sledge from Norway to Sweden in 2019. As soon as Barbara heard about Angie's plan she wanted to be part of it and raise money for cancer research. They had to raise £4k each, did lots of fundraising events including one at our WI in December 2018. They surpassed their target by raising well over £5k each. They flew from Heathrow to Bergen and then travelled to Tromsø where their adventure really began. They were given 6 huskies each, a sledge, food for themselves and the dogs, it was their task to look after the dogs, feed and care for them. They learnt how to attach them to their harnesses, pitch a tent, light a fire, boil water by collecting snow, food came dried in pouches - just add hot water - they were actually quite tasty. If they cooked under the canopy of the tent it warmed up nicely. Temperatures dipped down to a cool -30C at night. On average they travelled 14 hours a day, travelling 30-50km. There were 3 categories: Easy, Middle & Hard, Barbara & Angie chose middle. No toilet facilities, but they were all given a roll of toilet paper, which we all found quite funny. Once they 'performed', they had to burn 'it' & the paper and bury it in the snow. All-in-all the weather was really good, judging by the photographs and videos Barbara shared with us. When Barbara exited a corner too fast she injuring her foot, but luckily

that was on day 4 out of 5 sledging with the dogs. Their adventure culminated in Sweden at the Ice Hotel, 2 days before the polar bears would wake from their hibernation! The whole trip was really well organised, all-in-all there were 12 adventures, accompanied by the owners of the huskies and 4 girls from Canada & Australia, who come back every year. The dogs were extremely well looked after and loved. Barbara managed to join us at about 8.40pm and answered many of our questions. It was clear to see that she loved her trip and would do it again if she was a little bit younger. It was a great atmosphere as we chatted, asked questions and listened.

Monique thanked Barbara for answering our Q&A's and for a wonderful presentation, it was very inspiring and for a worthy cause, all very interesting.

Potato challenge: Most members forgot to bring in their results, please email them to Margaret or Monique and we will announce the winner in November.



Date and venue for next meeting: November 14, 2022, 7pm Victory Hall Lewdown, Allana Chick - Glass Painting

November dates for your diary:

10 - Walk

17 - Coffee morning at Roadford Lake

27 - Reserve the date for an evening at Dingles with the Red Spider Company

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

You are invited to a Wine and Wisdom evening at Bratton Clovelly Hall

on Friday 18th of November. 7pm for 7.30

Teams of 6 £5 per person a free bottle of wine for every Table, refreshments provided and further wine requirements can be purchased to improve the wisdom !!

There is a draw with lots of good prizes

Test your knowledge and enjoy a fun evening.

All proceeds to St Nicholas Church Fabric Fund.



Autumn is on us and soon it will be Winter so we are planning a **Winter Solstice event** on the evening of **Wednesday 21st December at the Forgotten Garden. From 6pm until 8pm.** The candlelight event with mulled wine / hot chocolate / hot squash and mince pies. Hopefully singing carols and if we get enough participants it won't just be me singing the descant of "While Shepherds wash their socks ... "

For details see December Newslink or follow us on our website –

<https://www.forgottengarden.co.uk/category/news/>

Stowford's

at

Stowford Parish Hall



Thursday 3rd November
7.30pm

also

Thursday 1st December
7.30pm

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Act 2, Scene 1...

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If you would like to come along on 27 November, please contact:

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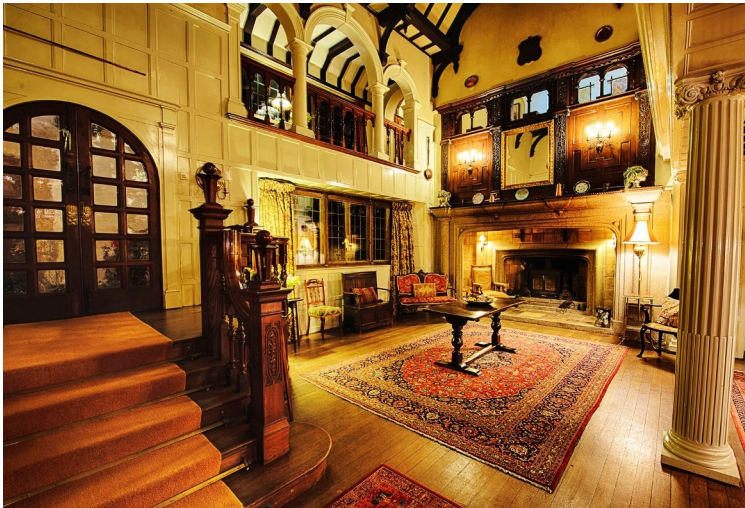


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Entry is free, however donations will be most welcome.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



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Sunday 11am

Fr M. Darline Joseph
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4 Canal Road, Tavistock.
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Service times for July 2022

*Any updates will be posted on the Benefice Website. north-tamar-churches.org.
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Sundays and Festivals

- 6th November** The Third Sunday before Advent
8am Eucharist at Stowford
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Kelly
- 11th November** **Armistice Day**
10.55am **Act of Remembrance at St. John the Baptist, Stowford**
- 13th November** The Second Sunday before Advent/Remembrance Sunday
9.am **Mission Community Eucharist at Lifton**
Remembrance Sunday acts of Remembrance across the Mission Community
- 20th November** Christ the King
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Stowford
- 27th November** Advent Sunday
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Thrushelton
Morning Prayer at Broodwoodwidge
Morning Prayer at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Lewtrenchard
- 4th December** The Second Sunday of Advent
8am: Eucharist at Stowford
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Kelly

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,

The Autumn colours, together with the earlier onset of darkness are letting us know that we are approaching winter and the end of the year. That means that many of us are getting quite busy planning and preparing for Christmas. Yes already! Well, let's be honest, there have been Christmas goods in the shops for weeks!!

I am not a great fan of early Christmas, but I am a fan of ADVENT. A time of watching, waiting and preparing. "All good things come to those who wait" is a proverb that means a great deal to me at this time of the year, and on Advent Sunday, the last Sunday of this month, the church starts to look forward with eager anticipation to the celebration of Jesus' birth, with themes of hope and light.

There are so many stories around us that seem to be about darkness and despair. I hope and pray that as we approach the Advent Season we may all be given new hope in and through the love of Jesus, and be ready to welcome him with real joy.

With love and prayers

Philip

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The Lewdown and area local history group

Memories of Lewdown Past *by Brian Wilkinson*



and our (short) AGM **at Stowford Parish Hall** **Tuesday 15th November at 7.30pm**

Brian has lived in Lewdown for very many years and will be sharing his fascinating memories of the Lewdown of former times, on a journey from The Chalet through Lewdown. Our AGMs are never very long but we are appealing for some new Committee members, particularly a treasurer, which are absolutely vital for the group to continue. These roles are really not at all time-consuming (we have very few committee meetings) and primarily would be to seek feedback on how members would like the programme to develop. Please think whether you could help.

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Lewdown Grouped Parish Council

Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton

Abbreviated minute No 754 of Monday 26nd September 2022 held at the Victory Hall. For the full set of minutes visit the website. These minutes are provisional until they have been agreed and then signed by the chairman.

Present Cllrs Southcott (vice chair), Dawe, Harrop, McSmythurs, Metherell, Perkins, Vanstone, Wilkinson & Yeo, P van Delft

1. Cllr Southcott chaired the meeting. The Chair asked everyone present to be upstanding for a one-minute silence in remembrance of Queen Elizabeth II, this was followed by the proclamation of King Charles III.
2. Members of the public open forum 4 members present, A parishioner mentioned that walking on some public footpaths was difficult when confronted with turnstiles at various locations. Cllr Southcott to action.
3. New councillor – Parishioner Bex Richards wished to be considered for the post of Councillor for Coryton. Cllr Harrop proposed to Coopt Bex Richards as Councillor for Coryton, motion seconded by Cllr McSmythurs, all in favour.
4. Minutes of previous meeting 753 required a revision for item 12, incorrect committee member, Cllr Southcott was removed and Cllr Perkins included in the minutes, it was then signed being a true reflection of that meeting, approved and signed by the chair. Proposed Cllr Harrop, seconded Cllr Dawe, all in favour
5. Queens Platinum Jubilee bench, including a plaque inscription '*Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee 1952-2022*'. It was resolved to purchase the bench and plaque for a cost of £370. The additional plaque with a verse provided by Lewtrenchard Primary School is yet to be provided. Motion to purchase the bench and plaque was proposed by Cllr Southcott, seconded by Cllr Harrop all in favour. Cllr Perkins suggested that the bench is temporarily located at Rampsonwillis recreation ground but then removed to the new play area when that is completed. Motion proposed by Cllr Perkins, seconded by Cllr McSmythurs all in favour.
6. Finance – 6.1 Payments were authorised, Cllr Vanstone proposed to approve payments, seconded Cllr Harrop all in favour :-Devon Communities Together £24.00, Dean Elliott invoices July & August £165.00, P van Delft – clerk salary (July-Aug) £333.88 HMRC – Paye £72. 20 NBB – Jubilee treble seat & plaque £370.00. 6.2 Vat reclaim for period 1.4.21 – 31.3.22 amounted to £271.63, 6.3 R.F.O. reported a combined credit balance of £23,338.44 after approved payments, proposed by Cllr Harrop, seconded by Cllr McSmythurs, all in favour.
7. Reports from councillors – Cllr Southcott reported that WDBC was dealing with matters concerning the 'cost of living crises' otherwise the borough was presently quiet, also, the Crossroads development site appeal was still being considered, no news presently in this matter. Cllr Southcott also reported that D.H. had received a high number of responses to the proposed speed limits through the village and that these were still being processed, results would then

be forwarded to HATOC for further consideration. Cllr Yeo asked why the consultation period for the proposal was before the new school year had started, it was suggested that a greater response may have been achieved from the school's road users. Cllr Harrop asked what the outcome of the public consultation for the proposed speed limit for the village was. Cllr Harrop advised that a feedback form was available, website link to be distributed, see below. <https://www.nhtnetwork.co.uk/isolated/data/scorecard/194767/scoring/16/section/10445>

Cllr Harrop also reported that he had now completed repairs to the noticeboard located near the War Memorial and that it was now installed and ready for use, also, he having reported a dead fox on the highway and reporting for it to be removed by DCC, nothing had been done and that the creature was now in a state of decomposition. Cllr Dawe reported that the highway c822 from Combebow to White Post was in need of repair and asked why it was not included in the recent patch work undertaken by D.H, also the recent patchwork on the C822 near Alder appeared to have an uneven surface. It was resolved that the clerk would write to D.H. of the findings. Cllr Metherell asked what D.H. was planning with the highway from Wrixhill Bridge to Orchard Cross, some councillors have observed that markings were on the highway indicating proposed repair patchwork. Cllr Wilkinson reported that the hedge opposite the Blue Lion was in need of maintenance because it was in a state of being overgrown, clerk to write to homeowners of the hedge.

8. Play area equipment – Committee members Cllrs Perkins, Wilkinson and McSmythurs. Cllr Perkins reported that she was still awaiting new quotes for the equipment, a review was required because of the alternative location. Cllr Southcott suggested that a meeting should be arranged with members of the Parish Hall Committee and the Recreation Ground committee to identify and agree the appropriate location of the play equipment, access to the play area and car parking. Cllr Perkins to arrange.
9. Emergency plan – Cllr Southcott reported that the draft plan still needed some work on the flood prevention element of the plan. Cllrs Southcott and Harrop to distribute to council members the revised plan, responses from councillors to be provided within 5 days of receipt. Final draft to be sent to Devon Communities for their consideration. Cllr Southcott reported that storage of the equipment needed to be resolved, the parish hall was limited in its facilities to store the equipment suitably. A metal fireproof storage container was considered but locating the said container still provided a problem. Cllr Harrop suggested that sleeping matts could be offered for use by interested community groups.
10. Correspondence – Emails for a request to tender for future grounds maintenance, and that a Superlinks meeting would take place using 'Teams' on 27th September, Cllr Southcott to ask the chair if he would attend.

Date, place and time of next meeting 17th October, at Lewdown Victory Hall, 7.30pm

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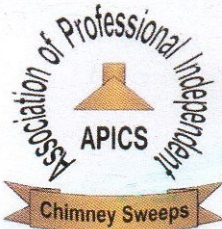
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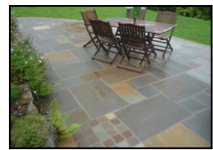
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Our October meeting was held at our usual venue, The Tamar room, The Arundell, Lifton. The meeting was packed with enthusiastic wannabe artists and those of us who believe we simply have zero artistic talent.

We all listened attentively, whilst local artist Katy Stoneman shared her potted history and spoke eloquently about her journey in becoming a respected and talented local artist. Katy used her trusted pallet knife, a simple easel and just a handful of colours. She quickly - and seemingly effortlessly - transformed a blank canvas and brought a glimpse of Padstow to life before our very eyes. It was a real treat to watch such a talented artist at work.

Katy welcomed questions from her audience. As she painted, she carefully pondered and then answered all questions clearly and honestly. She assured us that anyone who wants to paint, can paint. She advised that hard work and dedication will reap greater results than simply having artistic talent. It sounds as if there may be

hope for us all! Cards and prints of Katy's work are available to purchase at Lifton Post Office, the Arundell Hotel and via [KatyStonemanArt](https://www.etsy.com/shop/KatyStonemanArt) on Etsy.com.

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday 9th November when we will be making our own exquisite greeting cards. No painting this time, but who knows, maybe next year!

Lifton WI continues to welcome new members and visitors to their monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of each month @ 7.30pm.



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