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Front Cover Picture- Lewtrenchard W I had the Hall full for their Cream Tea. Thank you Ladies for a great afternoon

Soupa Troopers

All welcome to this community event



2023

Wednesday September 13th

Wednesday October 11th

Wednesday November 08th

From 12.30pm in Lewdown Victory Hall

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

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S Hedger 08/23

Good morning to you all, dear readers.

I've just sat down for a coffee after cleaning out the chicken house, he's really living the dream I hear you cry!. It's meant to be rough day weather wise so when the present Mrs Nash has finished feeding all the little birdies, which is a expensive way to fatten them up just so somebodies cat then appears regularly can feast on them, we are going to Homeleigh garden centre to look at tropical fish, and maybe I can sneak a piece of cake from the cafe.

Good news. My beautiful and saintly mother in law turned 80 on the 3rd of August, she definitely doesn't look it, so we had a wonderful excuse to have a proper posh out, near Brent knoll, (look it it on Google earth), if you walk to the top of the knoll, you get a awesome view of the construction work going on at Hinkley point C. It is, or was, the biggest building project in Europe. aren't I a bundle of useless information this morning.

Will close now as everyone is ready to leave. Will write the groanworthy jokes when we get back.

Best wishes Tim Nash.

We're back, and Homeleigh is minus a half a dozen fish. On the upside, when these get bigger the salesman said that when they get bigger the locals in Southeast Asia say that they make good eating.

*Young boy to grandad. Grandad, can you make a noise like a frog?
Grandad, why do you ask?
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It's a common misconception that our volunteers are retired professionals; lawyers, accountants, counsellors, etc. Many are, indeed, retired, but we also have volunteers for whom it's an enhancement on their CV. It's absolutely **not** the case that we rely on professionals! People volunteer with us for many reasons, sometimes just to meet new people. We provide comprehensive training and ongoing support so whilst a professional background may be useful, it's **not** a requirement.

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Lewdown Grouped Parish Council

Coryton, Lewtrenchard, Marystow and Thrushelton

Abbreviated minutes of Ordinary meeting of Monday 31st July 2023, held at Lewdown Victory Hall. For the full minutes please go the councils website.

Minute No 764

Present – Cllrs Andrews (chair), Southcott (vice-chair), Alexander, Wilkinson, Yeo, Cllr Mott (WDBC) P van Delft (clerk)

Meeting opened 7.35pm

1. Apologies for absence – Cllrs McSmythurs, Metherell and Perkins
2. Members of the public open forum – one member present, no comments to make on the items.
3. Minutes of previous meeting 763 being a true reflection of that meeting was approved and signed by the chair. Proposed by Cllr Southcott, seconded by Cllr Wilkinson, all in favour.
4. Planning – Application 1991/23/HHO - Householder application for single storey extension, Stable Cottage, Lewdown, EX20 4PW, Council decision – support – Proposed by Cllr Wilkinson, seconded by Cllr Yeo, all in favour.
Planning – Application 4199/22/FUL – Readvertisement (revised plans) New building for reptile and Exoskeleton treatment and recovery unit. Hillside farm, Lewdown, Okehampton, EX20 4QL, Council decision – support – Proposed by Cllr Yeo, seconded by Cllr Wilkinson, all in favour.
Planning – Application 2086/23/TPO – T1 Species unknown – remove and replace with new due to poor vitality. Land at SX 449 866, Lewhaven Close, Lewdown, EX20 4JL, Council decision – support- Proposed by Cllr Yeo, seconded by Cllr Wilkinson, all in favour.
Planning – Application 1422/23/FUL – Readvertisement (amended description & documents). Temporary siting of timber chalet for on-site managers accommodation. Alder Farm, Road from Lobhill Cross to Combebow Bridge, Lobhill Cross, Lewdown, EX20 4PJ, Council decision-support – Proposed Cllr Alexander, seconded Cllr Yeo, all in favour.
5. Cllr Mott (WDBC) reported that the latest report had been circulated to council members, no further news to report.
6. Finance - Payments were authorised for the outstanding invoices – Dean Elliott – Grass cutting £110.00, P van Delft – clerk salary (June-July) £475.00, HMRC – PAYE £77.60, ICO – Annual subscription £35.00, Proposed by Cllr Southcott, seconded by Cllr Wilkinson, all in favour. AGAR – Completion of audit – no issues reported. VAT Return for period 01.04.22 – 31-03.23 has been submitted and refunded. R.F.O. reported a combined credit balance of £21,881.55 after payments, proposed by Cllr Yeo, seconded by Cllr Alexander, all in favour. The R.F.O. has now been supplied with the bank debit card, signatory update has yet to be completed.

7. New Councillors - vacant seats still at Coryton, Marystow and Lewtrenchard
8. Play area update – Cllr McSmythurs (via zoom) reported that his briefing note had been circulated 1st July, the main points included in the following:
Agreement has been made in principle with the Baring Gould Trust and the Recreation Ground committee for the location of the play area, also a lease or sublease agreement with estate or the Recreational Ground Committee. Formal agreements with B.G.T and R.G.C. yet to be formalised. The cost of a lease agreement maybe in the region of £2,500 - £3,500. The planning application to be drawn up. The preferred play equipment supplier to be agreed and how the financing of the project is also to be finally addressed. Responsibility of the ongoing maintenance and costs of the play area to be addressed. Cllr Southcott informed that the existing lease for the land still had 6 years before renewal is due. Cllr Alexander suggested that a stand-alone parish council lease for the play area would make the council liable for all ongoing costs, also he suggested that a minimum 25year lease term should be set. Cllr McSmythurs mentioned that a stand-alone lease gives flexibility and control of the play area but that would also give ongoing cost implications. Cllr Yeo suggested that further discussion with the existing lease holders must take place before any further discussion on the matter takes place. Cllr Alexander suggested that a further exploratory meeting to assess the liability of the ongoing costs associated with the play area.
Action plan - Cllr McSmythurs proposed a motion to proceed with a further exploratory meeting to formalise a mutually acceptable agreement for all parties concerned, also to proceed with a final plan for the play equipment and draft a planning application, seconded Cllr Yeo, all in favour. Cllr Andrews asked if Lottery funding was available for lease or sublease holders, this was unresolved at the meeting.
9. Lewtrenchard Primary school - re-wilding project – funding support – item to be held over
10. Lewtrenchard Primary school – Mini bus funding support – item to be held over
11. Village traffic speed reduction update – The new V.A.S. is now operational, first reports showed that some excessive speeding takes place, particularly when exiting the village. Repositioning the V.A.S to the three designated locations causes some considerable work, Cllr Southcott to enquire what the cost is for additional solar panels and fittings for the remaining two poles. If a pattern of speeding offences continues to take place then the police will be notified and they will monitor the area. Speedwatch has been a success with a reduced incidence of speed violations.
12. Vehicle activated signs – Further sponsorship and grant funding and fund raising to be sought before any further investment for equipment takes place.
13. Cllr Reports – Cllr Yeo reported that pot holes had been marked by D/H. Cllr

Southcott reported that volunteers should be sought for the Road Warden Scheme, Cllrs Alexander and Wilkinson offered their help. Cllr Wilkinson reported that the road verge was in need of maintenance from Lewdown to Lewtrenchard.

14. Community Payback scheme – Cllr Southcott reported that the scheme was available to charities and organisations that required some assistance with maintenance etc and that the repainting of the bus shelters and highway verge maintenance could be considered. Cllr Southcott proposed that he would look into the scheme further and report back, seconded by Cllr Alexander, all in favour.

8.55pm Cllr Southcott proposed that the meeting goes into ‘Part Two’ to discuss a planning appeal decision, motion seconded by Cllr Wilkinson, all in favour.

Parishioners were asked to leave the meeting. Part two meeting closed at

9.10pm, proposed Cllr Andrews, seconded by Cllr Yeo, all in favour.

Meeting closed 9.11pm

Date, place and time of next meeting Tuesday 29th August, at Lewdown Victory Hall, 7.30pm

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Oke Railway Station	10:25	14:25	17:25
Oke West Street	10:33	14:33	17:33
Holsworthy Library	11:10	15:10	18:10
Bude the Strand	11:32	15:32	18:32

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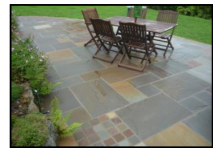
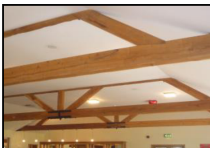
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An illustrated talk by

Elly Babbedge

7.30 pm Tuesday 19th September at Stowford Parish Hall



Did you know we had a local pirate? Elly Babbedge, who gave us an entertaining talk on the history of Great Bidlake house, near Bridestowe, was intrigued by this discovery. In the early 18th century there was a fraudulent claim to the Great Bidlake estate by one Richard Beckalake. Black Sam Bellamy was a significant influence in this unsuccessful attempt and has a story of his own, even world fame as one of the real pirates of the Caribbean.



I hope you will be able to join us for what I'm sure will be an interesting talk, the first of our autumn season. Visitors are very welcome: charge £2 for members, £3 for visitors, including refreshments. Parking in front of the hall or opposite.

Revd Sabine Baring-Gould Centenary 1924-2024



100 years ago next year the Revd Sabine Baring-Gould the Squareson of Lewtrenchard died after a career that would have been difficult for 4 people to perform.

He started as a teacher and progressed to writing about archeology on areas like Dartmoor, Saints local and far flung, religious papers, hymns, carols and numerous gothic novels and legends (over 1000 publications) and is perhaps best known for collecting and publishing local folk songs such as Widecombe Fair. For the last 40 years of his life he was the “Squareson” our parson and squire of Lewtrenchard. As such the church of Lewtrenchard, the Manor House which is now the Lewtrenchard Manor hotel and the village of Lewdown bare his mark. The Blue Lion public house is named after his coat of arms. The recreation field is on Baring-Gould land and the village hall and school were built on land from the estate.

Many local families will have interesting anecdotes of Sabine and many local groups may wish to help commemorate the year with events. If so the “Sabine Baring-Gould Centenary Committee” would like to hear from you, so that we can help publicise events and reduce the risk of competing for dates. A website is in preparation plus events are already marked in our diary for January, April and October. Contact - ffgLewtrenchard@aol.com

<https://www.sbgcentenary.co.uk/>

Holiday Let Housekeeper Required – Lewtrenchard Estate

The Estate is seeking a local person to act as Housekeeper/ Caretaker for Lew Quarry Cottage, a 2 bed holiday let. Tasks will include meeting and greeting guests, cleaning and general management of the property with changeovers on Fridays. The position is available from September onwards.

If this is of interest please contact George Greaves on 07826889601.

Stowford Parish Hall

Stowford Parish Hall has recently undertaken a transformation, with the help of many local trades people, helpers and fund raisers. It is now lighter, warmer and has many more modern facilities.

Meeting the needs of the local community is at the forefront of what the Parish Hall tries to offer. The committee is delighted to announce that we have a new heating system, new lighting and new tables and chairs. New toilets have water saving flushes and the new hand basins have lever taps for ease of use. The new kitchen facilities and equipment are better for preparing food for parties and events. The free WiFi also brings the hall into the 21st century, this service will help groups and clubs enhance their presentations. Outside we have a purpose made outdoor seating area which lets everyone sit and enjoy its natural surroundings.

All of the improvements have been made considering the environment and the impact that the hall has on it. Energy and water saving measures have been at the forefront of its improvements. The Parish Hall Committee will continue to make improvements so that it can build on its sustainable base that it now has. We look forward to welcoming everyone to come and use the hall.

Special thanks to

Sharon and Malcolm Adams, Charles & Julie Chick, David and Allana Chick, Sarah Grace & Tracy Temperley and the Coffee Morning Club, Andy & Sarah Nash, Leroy & Lorna St Louis, Ray & Jane Tuffs, Peter & Esther van Delft

Also helping with the funding of the improvements were Stowford Parish Council, Cllr Lois Samuel of Devon County Council, Cllr Chris Edmonds and West Devon Borough Council, and 'Devon Communities Together' all of which have helped make this possible.

There are numerous people who have helped and contribute to the improvements at the hall. If we have forgotten to mention them, please accept our apologies. We are grateful to all those involved.

Thank you.



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Lewtrenchard WI August Report

We met on August 15 at Lewdown Victory Hall for our annual cream tea charity event and raised funds for Okehampton Food Bank. Margaret welcomed members, their families & guests. We had 2 birthdays: Kathryn & Cecile, happy birthday to you both.

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INSPIRING WOMEN



We took part in the WI competition at the Okehampton Show. We came a proud 3rd. Our display was stunning & elegant. The team should be very pleased. The display was set up at the hall during our cream tea for all to see.

Our monthly walk took place on Friday August 11 from Meldon Village to Okehampton Castle. This completed the Two Castles Trail. The walkers finished off their achievements with a celebratory lunch.

Our ladies are very sad at the news of Frank Rolfe's passing. Mary & Frank have had a really tough time over the last few years but he is now at peace. Frank will always be remembered for his kind and gentle nature, and his remarkable poems. Frank's funeral is on Wednesday, August 23 @ 2pm, St. Peters, Lewtrenchard.

Unfortunately, the organisers of Okehampton Food Bank were away on holiday, but left us information which Barbara presented. After that, we all headed for the



wonderful table of culinary & baked delights, washed down with a cup of tea and a lot of chatting to friends & family. We had quite a lot of children, which was lovely to see. We raised more than £500 what a fantastic result. We then drew the

raffle prizes and folks slowly started to drift home. It's safe to say that everyone had an enjoyable afternoon.

Thank You All For Coming and for all the help & food provided by The Fantastic Lewtrenchard WI Ladies - you are truly amazing.

Date and venue for next meeting: Monday September 11, 2023 at 7.30pm. This is an open meeting and our speaker comes from the Women's Centre (TBC)

August dates for your diary:

14 - Walk

21 - Coffee morning at Roadford Lake

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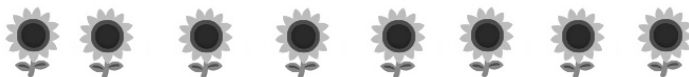
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CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Roman Catholic Services

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Saturday 6pm

Sunday 11am

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Sunday 10.30 am

Holy Days 7.30pm

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Meeting for Worship

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Contact – Kay Nicholson

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Children's Meeting 2nd Sunday

Community Centre, Okehampton

Community College, Mill Road,

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Contact - Eleanor Flack 01837 53475

St. Mary the Virgin, Marystowe

Please see the church website www.southtamar.church for details about services.

Services are also available online from 6pm on Sundays.

North Tamar Mission Community Service times for September 2023

At going to Print, the following services are arranged in the Mission Community

Sundays and Festivals

3rd September *The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity*

8am: Eucharist at Stowford
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Kelly

10th September *The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity*

9.30am Parish Eucharist at Broadwoodwidge
 Morning Prayer at Thrushelton
11.15am Harvest Thanksgiving Eucharist at Lewtrenchard:
 followed by Bring and share Lunch
4pm Evensong at Lifton

17th September *The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity*

9.30am Parish Eucharist at Lifton
11.15am Harvest Thanksgiving Eucharist at Stowford:
 followed by Bring and share Lunch
 Morning Prayer at Kelly

24th September *The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity*

9.30am Parish Eucharist at Thrushelton
 Morning Prayer at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Lewtrenchard
6.30pm Harvest Thanksgiving Service at Broadwoodwidge

1st October *The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity*

8am: Eucharist at Stowford
9.30am Parish Eucharist at Lifton
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Kelly

Wednesday Morning Eucharist: 10.30 at Lifton

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

From The Parish Priest



Well! What a Summer we have had!
For our church family there has been much to celebrate!

The celebrations kicked off at the end of July with our Summer Celebration at Roadford Lake. This was such a wonderful occasion. Well attended by joyful Christians, who, with the help of Menestrouthi brass, brought the warmth of the sunshine into the hall as the real thig decided to hide behind teeming rain all morning!!

The visit of Origin Voices over the following weekend was wonderful in so many ways. It was **so** good to see people from all over the Mission Community supporting all the events. The worship on Sunday was a real treat and the Concert at Upcott surpassed all our expectations! Everyone who has spoken to me about it has said that the weekend left them feeling so much better.


As I write, there is a great deal of anticipation in the preparation being done at Lewtrenchard for two Church Family Weddings, we are looking forward to a wonderful Ruby Wedding Celebration at Lifton, and much work has been done to prepare for yet another wonderful Flower Festival weekend at Broadwoodwidge, which I am sure will be well supported by all. As the psalmist says in Psalm 133: ***Behold how good and pleasant a thing it is to dwell together in unity....***

Much of the study of Church History is the study of arguments and fallings out...., and yet it should be of a people who live and worship together in love and work to proclaim God's truth. I am certain that the last few weeks have been the latter rather than the former!

A huge thank you to everyone who supported these events in any way... Let us build on this and work together, not just for special occasions like these, but in our daily lives and in support of our Sunday worship.

With love and prayers,

Philip

	<p>Harvest Thanksgiving 2023 In the North Tamar Mission Community</p>	
<p><u>The Parish Church of St. Peter, Lewtrenchard</u></p> <p>Sunday 10th September 2023 at 11.15am</p>	<p>Harvest Festival Eucharist <i>Followed by “Bring and Share” Lunch</i></p>	
<p><u>The Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, Stowford</u></p> <p>Sunday 17th September 2023 At 11.15am</p>	<p>Harvest Festival Eucharist <i>Followed by “Bring and Share” Lunch</i></p>	
<p><u>The Parish Church of St. Nicholas Broadwoodwidge</u></p> <p>Sunday 18th September 2023 at 6pm</p>	<p>Harvest Thanksgiving Service <i>Followed by Refreshments in The Hub.</i></p>	
<p><u>The Parish Church of St. George, Thrushelton</u></p> <p>Friday 6th October 2023 at 7pm</p>	<p>Harvest Thanksgiving Service <i>Followed by Refreshments in the Church</i></p>	
<p><u>The Parish Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Lifton</u></p> <p>Sunday 8th October 2023 at 4pm</p>	<p>Solemn Evensong for Harvest Thanksgiving <i>Followed by Afternoon Tea in the Church.</i></p>	

Lifton Methodist Church (in Lifton Down)
Services and events during September 2023

Our Sunday morning services begin at 10.30 am

3 September	Mrs Anne Rowe	Family Service
10 September	Revd Cathy Arscott	Sacrament
17 September	Revd Anne Curnow	Morning worship
24 September	Mr David Ley	Harvest Festival

Children are welcome to all our services but our Family service is particularly planned to include all ages who are young at heart.

6 September Coffee morning from 10.30 – 12.00
All welcome

This is a very informal morning. Our theme for the morning is “Guess who?” in which people are invited to bring unidentified photos of themselves when they were very young.

Church Minister: Revd Cathy Arscott (01566 780555)

Bridestowe Methodist Church
Preachers for September

3 rd	Drop in the Ark 10.30 -12.30
10 th	Rev Chris Jackson S 11.00
17 th	United Service at C of E 9.30
24 th	Bridestowe Worship Group 11.00

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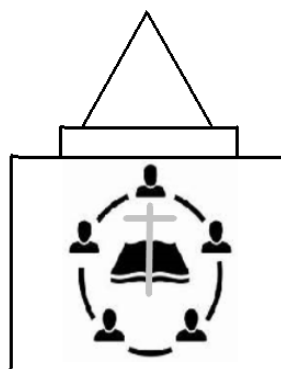
Following a number of requests, during September and October, there will be a **course of 8 sessions** for those who wish to learn about/deepen their understanding of Jesus Christ and the Christian Faith.

It will be offered twice a week, to be as flexible as possible to fit in with other events and commitments.

Commencing on the 11th September, the sessions will run at 5pm on Mondays and/or 7pm on Thursdays through to the end of October at The Rectory in Lifton. Each session will last approximately one hour and will include Tea/Coffee and biscuits. Each session will conclude with a short office of Evening Prayer or Compline. **The Monday and Thursday session each week will cover the same material.**

Everyone is welcome to all the sessions; however, you are welcome to drop in for any session if you wish.

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Minutes of Ordinary meetings held on 1st August 2023

These abbreviated minutes are provisional until they are signed by the chair at the next meeting of the parish council.

For the full minutes see the website.

Meeting No 719

Present:- Cllrs Leroy St Louis (Chair), Alexander, Govett, Lorna St Louis, Cllr Chris Edmonds (WDBC), Peter van Delft (clerk),

Meeting opened 7.34pm

1. Members of the public open forum – One member present, questions relating to item 7; why is there is no Impact assessment with the application, in particular the effect on wildlife from the proposal, what mitigation work is required and that a time limit should be set to complete the work.
2. Minutes of previous meeting 718 was signed as a true and accurate record of that meeting, proposed by Cllr Lorna St Louis, seconded Cllr Govett, all in favour.
3. Finance - Payments were approved for – Peter van Delft – clerk salary (May – June) £273.80, HMRC – PAYE for clerk £32.20, Community First Insurance – annual premium £152.80, ICO – Annual premium £35.00, Southgate studios – Parish Map frame and scan £545.00, Motion proposed by Cllr Govett, seconded by Cllr Alexander, all in favour.
R.F.O. reported a credit balance of £5,028.82 after approved payments, proposed Cllr Lorna St Louis, seconded by Cllr Govett, all in favour.
4. Planning – Ref 2457/23/HRN Application for hedgerow removal notice to remove 27.12 metre sections (total 324m of hedgerow to enable 4km pipeline construction between Gatherley (sx37478 83353) and operational site adjacent to the Lyd (sx39924 85088) Site address - Land at SX374 833, Gatherley. Council decision – Support- Proposed Cllr Leroy St Louis, seconded Cllr Alexander, all in favour
5. Councillor vacancies – two councillor seats, it was resolved to place an advert in the Newslink.
6. Stowford village traffic/speeding complaint – The Chair reported that he had been contacted regarding speeding vehicles through the village, the chair reported that no further complaints have been reported in this matter, it was resolved that no further action would take place.
7. Stowford village overgrown hedge complaint. It was resolved that the chair would contact the complainant to ascertain the facts of the matter.

8. Airband – Broadband provider update. – The council awaits a further update for anticipated connection schedule, the current understanding for completion is autumn/winter 2023.
9. Cllr Edmonds of WDBC reported that support was available for parishioners hit by the ‘Cost of Living Crisis’ funding available through a hardship fund. D.H. to start work in the county on relining junctions with a new harder-wearing white lining. Junctions such as that at Sprytown Cross would benefit.
10. Reports from Councillors. Cllr Govett requested that the D.C.C member is sent an invitation to future meetings. Cllr Govett suggested that the newsletter could be named the ‘**Stowford Community Newsletter**’, it could be available by following the link through the councils website, and the councils facebook page on the ‘Stowford Noticeboard’, proposed by Cllr Govett, seconded by Cllr Leroy St Louis all in favour. Cllr Leroy St Louis reported that a parishioner has complained about dog mess on the highway and dogs not kept on leads, Cllr Leroy St Louis to contact possible dog owners.
11. Parish Map – It was resolved that the original Map should be sent to the Devon Record office for safe storage but ownership of the Map to remain the property of the Parish Council. A copy of the Map can now be seen in the hall.
12. Items for next meeting – Computer replacement, clerk employment contract review.

Meeting closed 9.27pm

Date time and place of next meeting - 5th September 2023 – 7.30pm at Stowford Parish Hall (Previously set for 12th September)

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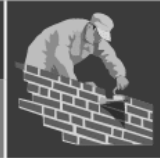
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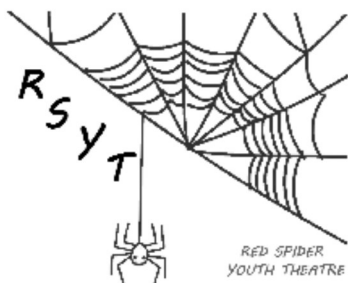


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