

THE LYPMPSTONE HERALD



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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

LPC held their monthly public meeting on Monday 9th May in the Meeting Room.

Chairman and Vice Chairman – Cllr Linfoot was voted as the new Chairman and Cllr Staddon was voted as the new Vice Chairman for LPC for the municipal year. Cllr Linfoot thanked Cllr Hill and Cllr Beatty for all their hard work last year. All Cllrs signed their Declarations of Office for 2022/23.

Clerks Report – The Clerk and the Chairman signed off the PCs accounts for 2021/22 as presented below.

The Clerk reported on the meeting with Internal Auditor and presented her annual auditor's certificate for 21/22. The internal auditor was especially pleased with the accounting system, updated policies, and risk

assessments. She also felt the website was clear and easy to navigate with all the necessary documents readily available to the public. A special thank you to our webmasters who keep this constantly updated. The AGAR Annual Audit 2021/22 Governance Statement and Annual Audit 2021/22 Accounting statements were signed by the Chairman and Clerk. The Notice of public rights was read out and would be published 13 June to 22 July 2022. The PC meeting dates were confirmed for May 22 – April 23: Monday: 9 May 2022, 6 June 22, 4 July 22, August 22 – no meeting, 5 September 22, 3 October 22, 7 November 22, 5 December 22, 9 January 2023, 6 February 23, 6 March 23, 3 April 23 including the Annual Parish Meeting. The Clerk explained a new start date for the play area refurbishment in Candy's Field

Current Account	
Opening balance 1st April 2021:	£95,828.47
Receipts	£134,088.58
Payments	£229,917.05
less, Payments	£73,666.99
Net balance	£156,250.06
Unpresented cheques	£252.74
Receipts not on statement	£0.00
Balanced carried forward at 31/3/22:	£156,502.80

had been confirmed for the 25th July. The Clerk had notified EDDC of a Cllr vacancy on the PC, the notice has been publicly advertised and this would expire on the 23rd May. After this date, EDDC would notify the Clerk if an election had been called or if the PC could co-opt new members. Cllr Linfoot wanted to thank Cllr Chris Carter for all his time, effort, and countless voluntary hours over many years of tirelessly working for the community, a well-known and respected member of the Council and past Chairman. Thank you, Chris. We all send our very best wishes.

Report from East Devon District Councillor - District Cllr Jung thanked the PC for hosting the public drop-in sessions regarding the proposed development sites in the East Devon Plan review to gain an insight on the member of the public's views. He felt that the public overall wanted to retain the character of the Parish, access to open countryside, protect the green wedge, safeguard from commercial development and better transport links. Cllr Jung also then explained that new housing numbers for East Devon had been released from the government and had increased from providing 918 to 946 new houses a year.

Community Asset – The Methodist Hall. The PC would like it known that over many months they have tirelessly attempted to work with the Methodist Trustees and agents securing the Methodist Hall for the community. The PC have made the following statement: Lympstone Parish Council after careful consideration submitted an offer to purchase the Methodist school as a community asset. This was not accepted by the Methodist Church, who now intend to place the property on the open market. The future of the building now lies with the Methodist Church. The PC will continue to actively monitor the situation and the market.

The PC would like to thank the 'Friends of the Methodist Hall group' for their hard work in supporting the Parish Council.

Community committee – Cllr Linfoot reported that on Sunday 5th June, access to Candys Field would be closed for a few hours in the afternoon due to the world record cream tea attempt. This is due to very strict rules which must be adhered to set by Guinness world record officials. Admittance will be by ticket only for this event. Cllr Francis updated all members on the new PC Facebook page. Currently there was 82 followers on the PCs page, up 178% on post engagement and 139 page visits. She had tried to

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keep posts short and with photos to grab members of the public's attention. She was very grateful to David Young and Mary Turner, the webmasters for all their help and thanked everyone for their support. Please follow the page for regular updated information!

Additional Information—It is imperative that the PC keeps everyone updated and informed with meetings, events etc. Unfortunately, not everything can be communicated through the monthly Herald. However, there are six PC notice boards around the Parish which regularly display all the necessary updated PC info. Please take a moment to stop and read them when you are passing. The website at lympstone.org and now the new Facebook page is updated even more regularly. If you can think of another way for the PC to communicate with all Parishioners then please email, phone, or write to me, the Clerk, and let me know your thoughts, I would welcome new innovative ways!

The next PC meeting will be held in the Meeting Room on Monday 6th June 2022 at 7.30pm.

Clerk to the Council:
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RNLI LIFEBOATS TO VISIT LYMPSTONE

Wednesday 15th June 7.30pm approximately.

Come down to The Harbour to view the Exmouth Lifeboats, both the All Weather Lifeboat and the Inshore Lifeboat are planning to visit. There will be an opportunity to go on board and meet the crew. We are pleased to welcome them back to Lympstone. There will be a collection for our RNLI Exmouth branch so bring some CASH for the bucket. Everyone welcome.

Judith Carter
Lympstone Sailing Club

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Penny Lupton; Treasurer

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Sadly I have to report the death of the Revd Geoffrey Wrayford and thank him for all the work, service, humour, knowledge and pleasure he brought to the village, As well as countless services, weddings, baptisms and funerals he was active in the village. Sea Sunday was revived by Geoffrey who was a keen sailor. He traveled across the Atlantic on young people's training tall ships as ship's pastor and visited the Scilly Isles every summer to allow the local priest a holiday. We will miss him. His funeral will take place on Monday 30th May

Leadership. Just a reminder of the leaders in Church. The Rector is Steve Jones. The Team Vicar is Benedict Cambridge. The Mission Community now has a Curate Jonathan Reynolds. Here in Lympstone we have our reader Demelza Henderson.

AGM of the church has taken place and the new Church Warden is Peter Watsham who joins Jeff Russell. Marcus Paul is the new Deputy Warden.

For Children we offer Tick Tock on Friday mornings for pre school children, Lympstone Unlocked for 7 to 11s with our youth leader Fiona who has welcomed a Ukrainian family to her families' home.

Children are welcome at all services.

Spree is the largest Christian Children's Event in the South West. On the weekend of 24 to 26 June at Shobrooke Park, Crediton. For information or to help contact <https://www.spreesw.org>

Donating to Church is easy. There is a contactless card reader in church near the door which will accept donations for the church. Click on the amount buttons and place your phone or card near the reader, or use the terminal to set up your own chosen amount.

Queen's Jubilee. The church will hold a special Civic Service at 9.30 on Sunday 5th June. All welcome to give thanks for the service of Her Majesty for the unprecedented achievement of 70 years.

Christian Aid Week may well have passed when you read this. If you received an envelope please remember to return it as shown on the instructions on the envelope or make a payment on line to Christian Aid Week or phone 020 7523 2046 to make a donation.

Brian Mather

WILD ABOUT LYMPSTONE

Devon Wildlife Trust's challenge which inspired us to involve our Parish in WAL is to have at least 1 in 4 people from the tiniest to the Old Grandpas engaged in saving our declining wildlife by 2030. Yesterday would have been music to their ears! Our Garden Club Plant Sale and Coffee morning in the Function Room was a wonderful community occasion. Tables were closely packed with plants of all sorts produced by the very much engaged in order to be bought, most reasonably, by other Villagers also very much engaged tending their gardens, allotments, windowsills, tubs or recycled old wood boxes etc. The Queue for early entrance quickly expanded to a packed crowd including insects and the odd bee all engaging in the Merry fray! Well Done the Garden Club whose Committee all own beautiful gardens encouraging other members of the winged fraternity; also birds and beasts, and butterflies; slugs and snails and the mighty worm upon whom we all depend for our soil's life; ants, exemplars of how to run an efficient, unselfish society; Jeremy Fisher and Mr. Toad who sadly these days are leaving us so fast. How our gardens, big or small matter so enormously.

Now when I go wandering around the village I often meet a friend or visitor who are delighted to tell me of what they are

doing to help our challenge. Yesterday at the bus stop a friend told me of a whole bank her family had planted with wildflowers; another friend told me of a small business she had set up making Bouquets with the flowers she grows loved by pollinators as well as by humans! The photo below tells of an unusual Buzzard with a pale front; and another lady had watched fascinated by the drama of a Kestrel attacking two pigeons, killing one of them. Simon Pryor was delighted when the first swallows appeared and he is awakened each morning by the call of a curlew near the river.....

I could go on but the poor Editor won't have room!

We have several things planned for later. Now is the time with a few friends just to walk round about, scrutinising the trees hedges and verges.

June I has the 30 Day Challenge to do something each day to help wild life. Good fun too for the children eg simply "puddle splashing" one day or pond dipping with Dad; counting the little hedge whips round the Goddard's new-footpath, finding out why the waves are big or tiny in the river and who else enjoys that.....just ideas! What others do you have? Let us know on the website or email.

National Gardens are opening again. Rebecca spent a memorable evening

at Sharpham listening to the dusk bird-chorus led by Mike Langman. Can anyone suggest someone who might take a walk here, perhaps a bat walk?

All ideas gratefully received! Perhaps for the Queen in June and her great love of horses, our village horse lovers might have ideas?

Every Happy wish go with you in our lovely village.

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LYMPSTONE GARDEN CLUB

Lympstone Garden Club have arranged a coach trip to celebrate the Annual Rose Festival at RHS Rosemoor on Thursday 23rd June leaving Lympstone at 9.00am and leaving Rosemoor at 4.00pm, cost £15.00 inclusive. Contact Sue Wadhams, susanwadhams@yahoo.co.uk, 01395 260461

Lympstone grows wonderful roses, a walk through the village delights both sight and smell. Roses have a long history, first recorded 5000 years ago

and have provided confetti, perfume, medicine, images of beauty and love as well as aesthetic pleasure not to mention the heraldic symbol of the Tudor Rose uniting houses of York and Lancaster (Wars of the Roses 1455-1487).

Some interesting varieties include devoniensis, a blousy white, Devon maid, pink and the miniature Devon holiday.

Diary Dates:

July 1st Book launch and July 2nd exhibition.

Annual Show August 20th

Look out for the full schedule which will include:

- Photographic classes
- Early Morning
- Texture
- Under 16s
- Lympstone Village Celebration Cake
- Jubilee Flower Arranging
 - An arrangement without using floral foam (oasis). Suggested alternatives crumpled chicken wire, pin holder etc.

Terri Scott



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A MATINEE PROJECTIONIST NEEDED

The Film Society is looking for somebody willing to project its matinée showings which happen 5 or 6 times during the season. If you are that person, you could quickly learn to use the new projector which has been installed in the Village Hall. There is a small but enthusiastic audience for these afternoon showings, who were dismayed to be told at the AGM that they might come to an end for the lack of a projectionist. There were fears that last month's matinée, 'The Last Film Show', might live up to its name. Please contact the Chair, Sheila Stone, on 274 356 if you would like to help.

Sheila told the AGM that membership and attendance at the monthly evening screenings was recovering well after the hiatus caused by the pandemic. Since it was founded in 2007, the Film Society has enjoyed an annual membership of over 100, a remarkable achievement for a village. In the season just finished it fell below that for the first time, but recovered to a figure of 84. The rate of members signing up for next season suggests that the magic figure of 100 will certainly be broken again. The membership fee remains at only £20, remarkably low for 8 films, a bonus film, and (we hope) some matinées.

Of course people can watch films alone at home on the small screen or

even on their phones, but as members discovered once again last season, there is nothing like watching a film in company with an audience of others, and sharing in the comedy or the emotion of the story you are enjoying. You could feel the tension of the moment as you watched 'The Constant Gardener', the powerful John le Carré thriller we saw after the AGM, or the quirky heartwarming humour of 'The Man in the Hat' which left everybody with such a good feeling the month before.

The Film Society offers a friendly and sociable communal experience, with its welcoming bar beforehand, its traditional cinema ice creams in the interval, and the opportunity to chat to other people about the entertainment you have just seen together.

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1ST LYMPSTONE SEA SCOUTS

As many of you know, scouting in Lympstone has a long history. We have some wonderful photographs in the scout hut taken over a hundred years ago. Many people in the village will have happy memories of childhood involvement in the scout movement, maybe even in Lympstone.

After a difficult couple of years, Lympstone scouts is thriving and the number of young people turning up each week has increased significantly over the last few months.

We are currently looking for volunteers to help run our group. Some of these roles involve helping to run Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, although you don't necessarily need to make a regular commitment - all help is appreciated.

There are some vacancies on the Executive Committee, particularly the role of Treasurer. This would entail a few meetings a year. The Treasurer role involves basic financial tasks such as bill payment and keeping track of the expenditure and would suit an organised person who likes working with numbers.

We are also looking for a new Group Scout Leader from August 2022 when Mike Goom retires. Mike has put in years of sterling work in overall control

of Lympstone scouts and we are so grateful for everything he has done for scouting in Lympstone during that time. Huge thanks also to Kate who recently stepped down as cubs leader after many years as leader of the pack.

Knowledge and experience of scouting is not necessary for any of the volunteer roles but the Group Scout Leader should have the ability to co-ordinate a team of adults effectively.

If any young people between the ages of 6 and 14 are interested in joining Beavers, Cubs or Scouts please get in touch. There may be a waiting list, particularly for Cubs.

Please feel free to contact us to discuss anything connected with Lympstone Scouts or to find out more about volunteering with us. We will be present during the Queens Jubilee celebrations in June.

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THE BUDAPEST CAFÉ ORCHESTRA IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Friday, 24th June at 7.30pm

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WOOL CRAFT GROUP

Hello, my name is Karen and I live in Lympstone. I am a spinner, weaver, dyer, knitter and do crochet. I am writing this piece to see if there is any interest in starting a wool craft group for people in the village and neighbouring areas.

There are other spinning groups in Devon, but very little in this area. A group of us have started to meet up regularly and thought there might be other people who would enjoy joining the group.

Therefore, if you are a spinner, weaver, dyer, felter, knitter, or do crochet or any other like craft, or would like to learn, then please contact me at karen@ballandkin.me.uk giving an idea of your interest. I have also posted this on “Nextdoor” and have had a number of positive responses.

We currently meet every other Friday from 10.00 to 12.00 and would look to continue meeting at this time if a suitable location can be found.

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I look forward to hearing from you.

Karen Ball

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which assembles on St Peter's beautiful cricket field, with its views looking down to the estuary and across to the Haldon Hills.

There is a barbecue and a bar, and ice cream is served.

One of the most enjoyable events in the Lympstone calendar.

Harland Walshaw



Eric Ravilious

CELEBRATING THE FLOWER SHOW'S 75 YEARS

To celebrate 75 years of Lympstone Flower Show, the Garden Club is publishing a book and holding an exhibition in the Village Hall.

The Lympstone Show has been written by Tony Day, whose first book about the village, *A Lympstone Lad*, was such a success a couple of years ago. The new

book is being launched at the exhibition on Friday, 1st July at 6pm.

In this book you will find stories of Show characters down the years, of the perils of judging, the Great Bread Controversy, and gardeners passionate about growing long beans, heavy marrows, and, above all, dahlias.



Steve Eyre judging blooms at Lympstone Flower Show a few years ago, with Chairman Keith Exelby keeping a watchful eye, and Geraldine Farnell poised with prize certificates

The secrets of Lymptstone's national and international triumphs in Britain in Bloom are revealed, including an inside account of the famous coach trip to Orleans, where a party of villagers collected the Prix d'Honneur, survived a car crashing into their restaurant, and taught the French a traditional English dance.

Lavishly and wittily illustrated by Lymptstone artists, this book captures the spirit of a great English tradition.

Villagers are invited to the book launch on the Friday evening 7 to 9.30 pm, and to the exhibition which is open on Saturday 2nd July from 10 am to 6 pm.

All the archive material will be on show - historic minutes and accounts, and the Show schedules from 1947 onwards. Also on display will be the Cups engraved with the names of the winners - a rare chance to be able to examine these at close range - and many photographs of the characters associated with the event. We shall also be showing the original drawings that Lymptstone artists have made to illustrate the book.

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THE HERALD HISTORY SPOT

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DOCTOR JOHN HADDY JAMES

1788-1869

Exeter rightly claims Dr John Haddy James as her own for he was born in Exeter and died in Exeter and his working life was at the Devon and Exeter Hospital where he was on the staff for 42 years from 1816 until 1858. He was famous as an innovative doctor and incidentally as a curer of consumptives by making them camp out on the Maer at Exmouth. But his links with Lympstone are interesting and very strong and it would seem his heart and soul was in Lympstone, first of all in that part of this parish called Sowden where his

grandmother lived. Sowden has always been a magic corner of the parish and more so before the railway came, in the days when the tides pushed up the inlet. It was also an exposed place acutely aware of the dangers of invasion by the French enemy and given to breeding fierce patriots. It is as a patriot, rather than as a doctor that we can claim him for Lympstone.

His mother was Hannah Williams of Sowden House and her children made many visits to their grandparents in Lympstone. Hannah had married a Bristol merchant who had retired to Exeter and bore him children and from

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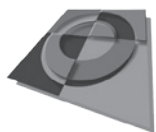
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the age of 15 young John trained as a surgeon, first in Exeter and then in London. In the year of Waterloo, when he was 27, he enlisted as Assistant Surgeon to the First Life Guards and went with them to France. The fact that he went to France with Wellington's army was a measure of his patriotism, a virtue that is much associated with this village. He was no doubt inspired by the example of his relative Captain John Williams RN of this parish who had been one of Nelson's officers and had almost been at the battle of Trafalgar. When John Haddy James returned to England in 1815 he wrote an account of his experiences which was much later found and edited by the Exmouth writer Jane Vansittart and published by Cassell in 1964 under the title Surgeon James's Journal 1815. The manuscript of this account was found in Lymptone in the cobwebbed apple-loft of the barn of Haddy James's

house in the village. The barn has long since been transformed into a dwelling on Longmeadow Road called "Adam's Cottage". The final paragraph of the journal reads: 'Our England stands secure on the dignity of the Church, and the strength of the Crown, and the sturdy excellence of the people, both high and low, and the glory of our might and right is a torch held out to the darkness and unrest of other countries.' And in capitals: 'GOD SAVE THE KING.' John Haddy James retired to this village and had property here and was buried here. His grave lies and his headstone stands in Lymptone churchyard between the church and the road as does the monument to the naval hero, Captain John Williams. Not many villages can have the resting places of a hero of Nelson's navy and one of Wellington's army so close one to the other.



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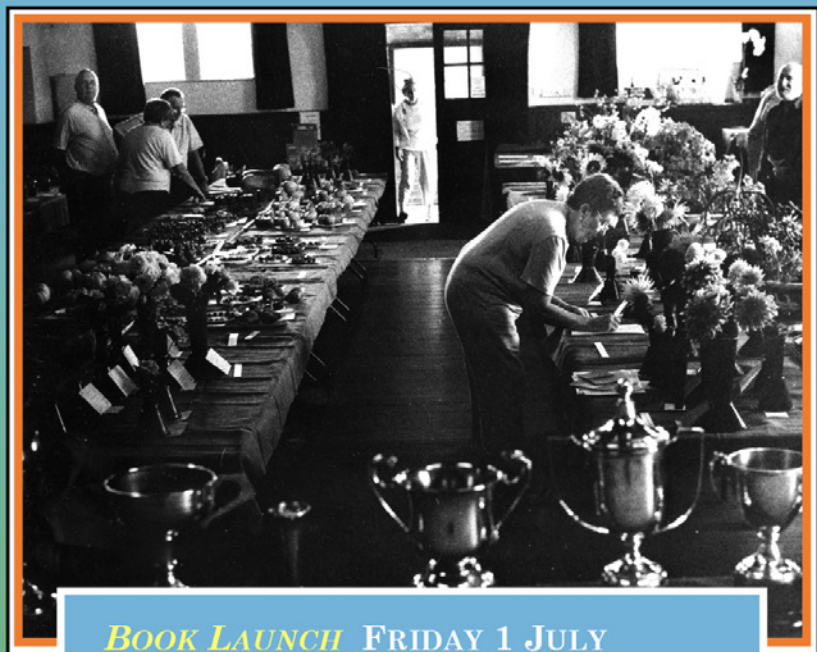
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7.00pm—9.30pm

with signing by local author of
A Lympstone Lad, Tony Day

FREE EXHIBITION SATURDAY 2 JULY

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with talk by Todd Gray at 2.00pm

Refreshments