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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS FEBRUARY 2023

LPC held their monthly public meeting on Monday 6th February in the Meeting Room. Cllr Staddon was acting Chair for the meeting.

Clerks Report

Reviewed Burial Ground, Cllr expenses, Discipline, Email usage, FOI and publication, Training and development Policies were unanimously agreed. The Clerk paraphrased to all present the email and letter received regarding the parking difficulties for residents along Church Road. It was agreed that meetings would be held with the VHCIO and Highways to try and resolve issues. The Clerk explained that due to Parish Council elections due on 4th May, the first PC meeting of the municipal year and Annual Parish Meeting (APM) must be held between 10th - 25th May. It was agreed that a meeting would be held on a Tues, Wed or Thursday evening during that period. (I shall update the noticeboards and website with a confirmed date as soon as possible).

Reports from the Chairman, East Devon District Councillors and Devon County Councillors

District Cllr Jung stated that the Consultation for the East Devon Local plan had been completed, he thanked the Parish Councillors and residents who had responded. He explained that

the officers were now busy analysing the responses. He added that since the last Parish meeting the levelling up funding for the Dinan Way extension road had been secured. Cllr Jung had enjoyed a day out planting trees at the new Woodland on Sunday, which straddled the Wootton Brook. The work the Woodland Trust was doing would help reduce surface water flooding and creating weepy dams that would help reduce flooding downstream further. County Cllr Trail explained that in reference to the Dinan Way link road, the funding had been agreed and plans would be going forward to be approved. Once approved the details would be published for members of the public. Cllr Trail went on to explain that the development at Goodmores site was progressing well. He had ensured the roads adjacent were kept clean and tidy. He added that there was a constant pothole repair work in progress and the work force had been doubled to action this. The Chairman reported that on the 23rd January, the Community Hub held their second meeting with regards to preparations for the Kings Coronation on May 6th. She thanked Major Latham for securing four large tents and the Sailing Club for the use of their marguees. She also thanked Cllr Scott for arranging three portaloos for free. A local pub had been asked to provide a bar and the scouts/youth club would serve food. The general format of the day, to be held in Candys

Field: Picnic early afternoon, followed by Lympstone band and hopefully the School Choir, moving on to early evening with a couple more local bands. During this time, Jenny Moon would be carrying out two family laughter yoga sessions, the PTFA would have some children's activities and LFC would hold football games. It was also hoped that the tennis club would also be hosting some activities. The day would wind down at Sundown (about 9pm) to let revellers move to the local hostelries in the village. This is destined to be truly fun filled family day on a local scale!

Lympstone Flood Resilience Group

The Lympstone Flood Resilience Group (LFRG) thanked the Council for their support and an opportunity to present. They described their preparedness, and resources available to respond to flood threats to the Village. In recent years the dedicated Flood Warden teams have been increased in numbers and more first response equipment has been acquired. Stategic work has been undertaken with Devon County Council and The Environment Agency, and considerable knowledge has been achieved through computer simulation of the Wooton Brook and it's interaction with high tides. This has confirmed that certain land use changes and interventions, such as those underway with The Woodland Trust, are beneficial to increase our resilience to flood risk. It has also enabled a weakness in the current retention of waters in the floodplain to be identified and pursued for addressing. The model is now being suggested to our Local Authorities for evaluating the impact of new developments affecting the Parish. In a very serious coincidence of storm and tide, parts of the Village will remain at risk of flooding, and individual property protection measures are to be encouraged. The LFRG will be presenting their findings in detail at a planned walk-in session at the Village Hall later in the year.

Methodist Hall

Lympstone Parish Council resolved to reaffirm their original offer to retain the Methodist Hall as a community asset. The decision was made due to not enough monetary contributions pledged from the community to allow the PC to increase their offer. The PC reaffirmed their offer by letter to the agents handling the sale. Unfortunately, the PC received an email on Monday 6th Feb informing the Parish Council that the agent's clients had a preferred buyer, and the sale should complete shortly. A big thank you to Cllr Atkins, Cllr Hill and all The Friends of The Methodist Hall group for their countless hours of effort and their commitment to the purchase bid.

Community

Cllr Payne reported that the Hub working group had met and allocated

dates on the 10th and 12th March for select user groups, the school, preschool and immediate neighbours to consult with and view the plans of a new build and feedback. The consultation sessions would then be opened for all residents to attend.

The next PC meeting will be held on Monday 6th March in the Meeting Room, Lympstone Village Hall.

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PARISH CHURCH

As Lent begins there is a six week preparation for Palm Sunday and Holy Week leading to Easter and the tumultuous events culminating on The triumph of Easter Day when Christ rose from the dead.

The dates of events begin with Shrove Tuesday, 21 February, when we have pancakes to use up spare food in preparation for the fasting of Lent. Often an opportunity to omit chocolate etc from our diet for the length of the Lent season.

Ash Wednesday, 22 February there will be a service of Imposition of Ashes at Lympstone from 11.30.



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All age 'Journey' services in March will be on 5 March and 19 March which is also Mothering Sunday.

There will be a Lent course running from Wednesdays 1st - 29th March with Canons Ian Pusey and John Philpott entitled 'Failure' at Holy Trinity Hall upstairs 7 to 8.30pm. Well, that should get a lot of people wanting to come!

That, of course, is not the complete picture. The course is based on Bishop Emma Ineson's Lent book written at the Archbishop of Canterbury's request – Failure: What Jesus said about sin, mistakes and messing things up.

Palm Sunday is 2 April look out for full details on posters nearer the date.

In Holy Week on Wednesday 5 April 7pm there will be a 'Stations of the Cross' service led by Demelza.

The Good Friday service at 11am 7 April will re-enact the Easter Story led by Demelza.

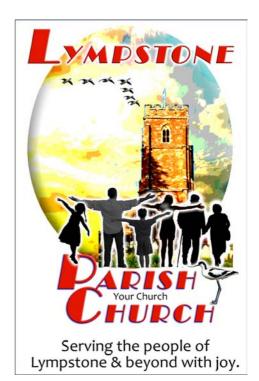
Easter Day will be advertised nearer the time, and will be found on the website at lympstonechurch.com

Our next PCC meeting, the last one before the Annual Church Meeting, will be an open meeting which non members may attend. It's on 5 March at 7pm.

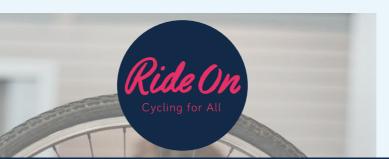
An advanced notice - the Coronation will be relayed live in church so anyone not wishing to view alone may join others to witness this historic event.

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The Harbour Board of the Lympstone Fishery & Harbour Association has plans for the craning of boats from the Harbour hardstanding to Wotton Brook to take place on Saturday 8th April 2023 from 7.00am until soon after noon. As this is a potentially hazardous operation, public access to the Harbour will be denied during this operation. For more information browse www.lympstoneharbour.org.uk

The mobile crane will be arriving at the Harbour on the late afternoon of Thursday 6th April and departing in the afternoon of Saturday 8th, so those who park on its route along Nutwell Road, Burgmann's Hill, The Strand and the route to the Harbour from the Swan Inn are asked for their cooperation in allowing it clear passage.

Richard Crisp

METHODIST HALL

The Hall was finally put up for sale on the open market in December with a deadline of 20th January for the submission of tenders. Despite requests to the Trustees of the Methodist Church for an indication of the price they were seeking and an offer to negotiate, sale by tender was pursued. The Parish Council informed the Trustees that although they were not in a position to submit a formal tender the offer made in March last year still stood and that they were happy to enter negotiations with the Trustees. A supporting letter was submitted by the Friends of the Methodist Hall stressing the importance of the Hall for community use.

Regrettably the Hall has now been sold to the bidder who submitted the highest tender.

There may just be another chance to purchase the Hall if planning permission is sought for development or a change of use. In this case before any planning application is considered the District Council requires evidence to show that the Hall has been marketed at a reasonable price for a period of 12 months

Helen Dimond (Friends of the Methodist Hall)

THE SHANTY MEN SAIL AGAIN

The Exmouth Shanty Men perform to keep alive the traditions of sea shanty singing, and to put their songs back in context on the decks of sailing ships. The buoys have appeared at major folk festivals such as Sidmouth and Shrewsbury, and have flown the flag at maritime festivals in Ireland, France, Holland, Belgium, Germany and Poland.

In 'The Tall Ships & Taverns' show, which they are bringing to Lympstone Village Hall on Saturday, 15th April, the crew takes you on a voyage in song from the deck of a tall ship to the raucous atmosphere of a quayside tavern. They bring traditional sea songs to life using unique staging and contemporary clothing. Audience participation is encouraged, with willing victims being asked to haul on ropes or push round the heavy capstan. The cat-o-nine tails is for display purposes only.

Bar open from 6.45pm, for a 7.30 show.

Tickets £12 from Susannah's Tea Rooms or online from lympstoneentertainments.net

THE ASPHALT JUNGLE

Marilyn Monroe lights up the screen with her cameo as a gangster's moll in this classic crime thriller from 1950. 'The Asphalt Jungle' is an exceptional film noir by Hollywood director John Huston, with a scintillating plot and a compelling performance by Sam Jaffe as a criminal mastermind.

The Film Society likes to show one classic film each season, and this was recommended by former Head of BBC Radio Light Entertainment, Martin Fisher, who also suggests the Monday Matinees. With an atmospheric score and Harold Rosson's gritty photography you have a masterpiece, which continues to influence heist movies even today.

It is being shown on Friday, 10th March. The bar opens at 6.45pm and the showing begins at 7.30. Members free, of course, and others £5 on the door.

THE RIVER'S VOICE

The famous Devon artist Ray Balkwill recently appeared on Michael Portillo's 'Great Railway Journeys', painting views of the estuary at Exmouth, where Ray has his studio.

His talk in Lympstone Village Hall on Saturday, 22nd April, which he calls 'The River's Voice', is Ray's celebration of the Exe Estuary in words and pictures. It covers his four decades of painting the river's many moods, as well as his love affair with Exmouth's Camperdown Creek and his close associations with the boat builders there. It is a mixture of art, humorous stories and history.

He will also introduce us to his recent project 'In Search of the Picturesque', which follows in the footsteps of the Georgian artist the Reverend John Swete around the Exe Estuary. His diaries and watercolours, including some of Lympstone, are among the greatest treasures of Devon's heritage.

A ten minute film of the artist at work shows how Ray Balkwill paints en plein air.

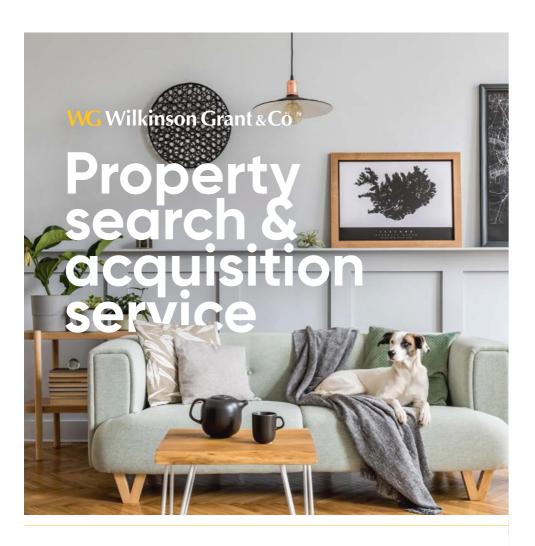
This talk is presented by Lympstone History Society and Lympstone Historic Houses Group.

The talk begins at 7.30. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are available on the door.

DORIS DAY IN PAJAMAS

The last Monday Matinee of the Film Society's season is one of the greatest musicals ever. An exuberant Doris Day stars in 'The Pajama Game', a delicious, bright and cheerful movie which gave her several terrific songs and one of her best roles as the head of the workers' grievance committee who falls in love with the foreman.

Introduced by Martin Fisher, it is being shown in the Community Room of the village Hall on Monday, 20th March at 2.30pm. Film Society members free, or £5 on the door.



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WILD ABOUT LYMPSTONE

ANNOUNCING THE LYMPSTONE WILDLIFE FESTIVAL - SATURDAY 3RD JUNE

Wherever you walk in Lympstone you will hear the magical words from friend, acquaintance or visitor:

"Isn't it Beautiful!"

These last few wintery days with frost, blue skies and blazing sunshine have been an extra bonus.

So it is time to celebrate all the beauty that we still have.

The Wild About Lympstone (WAL) group are excited to be organising a 'Wildlife Festival' on Saturday 3rd June. This open day will be centred in and around the beautiful village church and open for everyone from the village, and beyond, with a love and interest for nature. We plan for this to be a celebration of all that is already going on in the village to protect and enjoy our local nature and wildlife, giving everyone a chance to share their experiences, learn about new ways of protecting our precious wildlife and enjoy the remarkable expertise and special moments of many of our villagers.

This builds on our efforts from last year when, rather tentatively, we took up a community challenge from Devon Wildlife Trust. The challenge was to see how many people locally hands. minds and could engage to restoring and protecting souls. the amazing Natural World around Lympstonians' response to my letter in the Herald early last year about this was immensely encouraging.

The WAL group was born soon after and set about making this challenge known to everyone. Regular WAL articles now appear in the Lympstone Herald which the editor positions with care alongside others of a related subject: a Facebook page has been created to spread the word; simple wildlife questionnaires brought some fabulous responses and the Friends of Gulliford Burial Ground invited me to see their great efforts to include wildlife habitats. It warmed the heart and made the enterprise well worth pursuing. Many, many thanks to so many of you dynamic and encouraging people.

We'd love for as many people as possible to be involved in this festival. To help us coordinate our plans, please drop us a line with any ideas and how you might like to be involved or share in the day. We're envisaging a range of different displays, stands, stalls, talks, video screenings around any relevant topic focused on your enjoyment, interest and appreciation of our local natural world. e.g. gardening for bees and wildlife; wildlife inspired photography and art; plant or bird identification etc

All the best, Mary Truell and Rebecca Abrahams

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THE WOODLAND TRUST: YONDER OAK WOOD.

Local volunteer Christine Hardy share's her experience of being a volunteer for the Woodland Trust's new site Yonder Oak Wood.



"Over two weekends in February brave souls came to the Woodland Trust's new 54 hectare site for four public tree planting days. They arrived from across East Devon on foot, on cycles, in cars and in minibuses, many carrying garden spades.

Met with their first view of this stunning site, most stood gazing across rolling fields and steep sided streams, catching glimpses of the River Exe, Starcross, Powderham and distant Dawlish. The site's name, Yonder Oak Wood, was chosen in a ballot and voted for by 800 local residents, and on a steep slope to the west, mature oaks stood proudly silhouetted.



When asked 'Where's the wood?', we replied 'In your hands. Today you will help plant Yonder Oak Wood and you, your children and grandchildren will see it grow.'





Serried ranks of spades welcomed local people of all ages as Woodland Trust's site manager Paul Allen explained planting plans and species to be planted including oak, rowan, alder, wild cherry and dog rose. The two year old saplings, all grown in the UK, needed to be safely in the ground before their tender roots dried out. The method was simple, and by the end of the weekend 4000 trees had been planted. Music was provided by a local acapella group, the Songfishers and dozens of delicious cakes gratefully munched!

Other local groups involved in planting the trees include Lympstone, Woodbury and St Sidwell's primary schools, the Deaf Academy, Brixington Academy, Bicton College, Lloyd's Bank, B&Q and Premier Paper staff.

As a new volunteer I already feel part of a fantastic, welcoming Woodland Trust team. I think of Yonder Oak Wood as a gift given to future generations in East Devon and feel very privileged to be involved right from the start. And the cakes are so good!

www.woodlandtrust.org.uk
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FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH ANNUAL LOTTERY

Thank you to all who have supported the Friends through 2022, you have helped us raise over £4,000 through your support of our Cricket Match, Curry Lunch, Band Concert and the monthly Lottery.

The Friends sole object is raising funds to keep our historic parish church in good repair. It's our finest and oldest public building, of service and benefit to all not just to regular worshippers. We believe that it's right to invite the community as a whole to help the church stay well maintained both now and for future generations. How well you have responded! The support and generosity of Lympstonians has enabled us over the last eight years to raise £35,000 for essential work - and many thousands more since the charity started in 1986. We shall shortly start selling tickets for the 2023 round of our monthly lottery - which generates 60% of our income. Ticket prices will be £10, this gives entry into the 12 monthly draws with a prize of £50 per month!

With so many alterations going on around us, the church's continued unchanging presence at the centre of our village seems especially important. We hope everyone who has supported

us in the past will continue to do so and others too, sure in the knowledge that your help really will make a difference. Not to mention the £50 you may win.

Our Lottery tickets are sold door to door starting around the end of February and continuing till mid April. It's not possible to cover every house in the village, but if you wish to buy a ticket and no-one calls, please do let me know.

Ian Scott (227556) Chair, Friends of the Church

LYMPSTONE GARDEN CLUB

Autumn planted spring bulbs are coming on a pace. The early snowdrop flowers are waning, but now when they are 'in the green' is the time to plant for next winter. Select Summer bulbs now, there is pruning to be done especially roses, ornamental grasses to be trimmed and even an early cut of the lawn. Fine longer days are time for vegetable patch preparation, but still dark evenings for seed selection.

Another reminder that we have 2 further talks for this winter, 7.30 Village Hall in the Community Room:

March 16th Caradoc Day, Plants behaving badly

April 20th Derek Dexter, Fuchsia

May 13th Coffee Morning, 10.00 Village Hall

August 19th Village Show, Village Hall

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Terri Scott

We are pleased to announce that from this Wednesday (22nd) February at 5.30pm and then every Wednesday going forward we will be running Family exercise classes at Lympstone Village Hall.



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THE HERALD HISTORY SPOT

Living in a Coastal Village in the late 1500's: Part 6 Going to Sea

People in the later 1500s do not use the water for leisure but it is a place of work - important for fishing and transport.

From the late 1500's to the late 1800s (and the end of sail) many men and boys go to sea, in particular, from the Devon and Dorset coasts. They join ships that sail 2000 miles across the Atlantic to Newfoundland. In Newfoundland they fish for cod, salt and dry it and sail back to England, possibly by way of the Mediterranean where there is a great demand for salt cod and where the cod is exchanged for wine and salt. The great value of the cod is because it has little fat and when it is dried or dried and salted it can kept for up to 10 years. In warm Catholic countries it is used for the frequent meat-free days.



An important means of getting work in the late 1500's is to go to a hiring fair. These are held in market areas and those wanting to hire servants are

present. Potential employees carry a symbol of the work they want. Women wanting domestic service wear an apron or carry a broom. Those wanting to work at sea carry a piece of rope or a net. They meet with potential employers, agree terms and sign up to start work on a particular day. In the case of mariners, they might join the ships at an identified port such as Topsham where the ships are equipped and prepared for the voyage. It can take three to five weeks to get to Newfoundland so much dried food is carried, small beer or cider, meat preserved in brine as well as the equipment for fishing when they arrive - small boats (shallops), lines, salt for salting the cod and equipment for building accommodation on land for the mariners. There is little room below decks for the mariners to sleep, particularly on the return voyage when they hope to be carrying bundles of dried and salted cod. The ships are small because of the very rocky sea bottom of the bays in which the ships will spend the summer months.

The perils of the journey from England to Newfoundland are great. The ships set out in March/April and return in August / September. There are likely to be storms, possibly hurricanes. On the Newfoundland coast there is very likely to be thick fog and hidden in the fog there



can be icebergs. Pirates, particularly from N Africa roam the fishing grounds, looking to steal the processed cod, the ships and the mariners, some of whom, if captured, will decide to become pirates themselves because the lifestyle is preferable or more comfortable.

It is impossible to tell actually how long the journeys across the Atlantic will take. If they are longer than expected scurvy may set in and what is left to eat may be 'bad' – that is if there is sufficient food. The cook will do his best to fend off the ships rats from the food stores. Illness may be rife. Influenza or gastric ailments are likely to spread easily in the over-crowded quarters. There are no toilets as such – mariners hang out

over the back of the ship, so to speak - not easy in a big Atlantic swell or on a beat. Not easy either in a rough sea is the regular climbing high in rigging to adjust sails.

And we tend to forget that many of the people at this time do not live much beyond their thirties, so the time spent on a trip such as this was proportionally much more significant for their lifetimes.

Jenny Moon (Extracted from 'Devon Boy, 1590: a story of village life and fishing in Newfoundland' published by Lympstone History Society - contact: gthbanks@gmail.com)



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DOWNSIZING

Donations would be appreciated for the Devon Air Ambulance for the following items, which must be collected:
Call 07873-574396 after 6.00pm
Two 4 draw filing cabinets
Calor Mini Heat Gas fire + bottle (both new)
Vibraplate exercise machine
Hostess heated food trolley

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Venue: Lympstone Village Hall

School Hill

Lympstone EX8 5JY

Date: Thursday 9th March
Time: 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Price: £10 +booking fee

Booking: **Eventbrite**: **525107489637**



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