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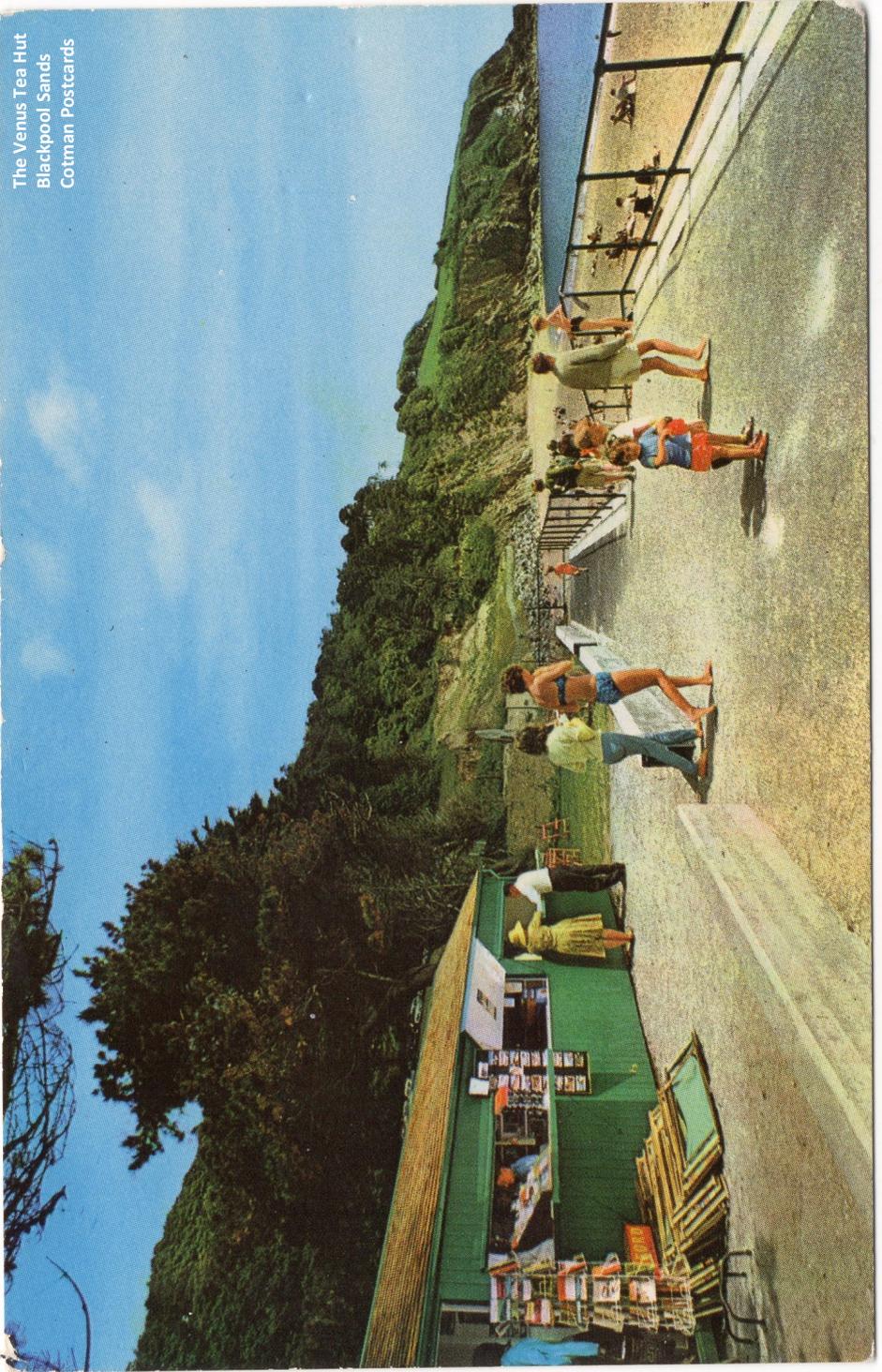
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The Editorial

Are you managing to keep 'Far from the Madding Crowd'

We have witnessed the arrival of Hundreds of Thousands of tourists flocking to Devon and Cornwall after the lockdown easing in England but police have warned drivers and caravaners to beware of busy and wet conditions on the roads as weather cycles through heat waves to monsoon rain storms. Diners have used the Eat Out to Help Out scheme more than 35 million times in its first two weeks. The scheme offers customers in restaurants, pubs and cafes 50% off their meal up to a maximum of £10. It runs every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in August to encourage support for the hospitality sector.

'hindsight' *noun*

understanding of a situation or event only after it has happened or developed.

Isn't hindsight a wonderful thing. As we gradually ease ourselves out of the lockdown we are now bombarded by the opinions of so many experts coming forward that could 'have told you so' and how they would have done things differently, kept us safer, acted faster and more effectively as a response to the Covid-19 crisis. These are unprecedented times and no one could have predicted or prescribed for what we are having to deal with and will face in future.



The Black Lives Matter protests have been in response to the shocking death of George Floyd, who died in police custody in Minneapolis, Minnesota in May 2020. This has made everyone consider their own personal prejudices. Exeter Chiefs have decided to retain their name and logo following calls from some



fans to lose their Native American branding. Supporters have been split over the issue, with petitions also launched arguing against a change. However, the Exeter Chiefs board did decide their 'Big Chief' mascot would be retired. The one aspect which the board felt could be regarded as disrespectful was the club's mascot,



'Big Chief', and as a mark of respect have decided to retire him."

THE campaign calling for criminals convicted of killing emergency services workers to spend the rest of their lives in jail has a new name - Harper's Law. National Chair of the Police Federation of England and Wales, has said: "The killing of a police officer should see those responsible face the rest of their lives in prison".

PC Harper's killers had been accused of murder but were convicted of the lesser charge of manslaughter.

A reminder that the Photographic Competition deadline has been moved back to correspond with the an event later in the year. (To be confirmed) Thank you to all the photographers that have entered so far, your submissions will still be valid for the later deadline. So, if you have not entered your pictures on the theme 'Of Land and Sea' **Get Clicking**. Entries should be high resolution image files that can be emailed to stretewise@outlook.com or high quality prints posted or delivered to 27 Start Bay Park, Strete, TQ6 0RY. Please include your full contact details with all entries (and your age if under 16 years).



Mid September saw the welcome visit of a pod of Common Dolphins in Start Bay. Length: up to 2.7m Weight: up to 150kg Average Lifespan: up to 35 years. Common Dolphins are an offshore species, but often come close to shore to feed. They are highly social and normally found in groups.

Thank you to Tony Crawford and Ron Howell for your contributions for this issue.

The National Gallery of Ireland continue to supply wonderful images from their archives related to Jack Yeats, Snails Castle and Strete. The postcard image on the front cover is a particularly well timed reference to a connection with William Perrin The Kings Arms Hotel landlord and Jack Yeats dated February 1909.

And yes, there was a Strete Parish Magazine in February 1901. The magazine clipping reports the events at the National School Strete, January 3rd 1901, when **65** children enjoyed festive entertainment plus a bun and an orange. *'Jack Butler Yeats's circuses and plays': a diary and scrapbook of miniature theatre productions, [1900-1906]. Y1/JY/2/1/3, Yeats Archive, National Gallery of Ireland.* See pages 8-9.

SHDC Locality Officers: Officers of the Locality team have the authority to issue on the spot fines for things like dog fouling and litter dropping, if they think it is justified. **Clr Keith Baldry, South Hams Executive Member for Environment said:** "We have increased the number of staff out in the community checking on some of our most popular areas. They are there to advise and support visitors who might need to be reminded about our littering, dog fouling or parking rules". Officers visiting Slapton, Salcombe, Hope Cove and Dartmouth, the Localities team spoke to 26 members of the public. Over the August Bank Holiday weekend.

From the Rectory

Dear friends,

What amazing weather we have been having during the pandemic - some of the hottest and driest since records began. During this time one of the real benefits has been greater appreciation of the wonders of creation. On my walks with my dog I have enjoyed the most amazing sunrise and sunsets, fabulous cloud formations and over the month's marvellous growth of trees and shrubs that I'd not taken time to observe before.

Even if we have been confined to our home, we are able to witness many more varieties of birds in our garden than ever before, and I am enjoying the symphonic dawn chorus of birds. Many of our flowers have deeper and richer colours than usual. And my garden has been home to lots more bees and butterflies.

In many big cities, wildlife has been venturing into the concrete jungle since there was less traffic on the roads, and with the skies free of aeroplanes and factories at rest, this has meant our air has been less polluted, cleaner and fresher.

As the prophet Isaiah declares, 'See I am doing a new thing!' says the LORD. 'Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.' (Isaiah 43 v 19)

Now don't misunderstand me, please. I am not saying that God sent the pandemic to show us a new and better way of living, but we have had a glimpse of the way in which our world can change for the better. We have been forced to press the pause button on our frenetic lives, and there are many of us who have tasted this new way of life and decided that it is something we want to take on into the 'new normal.'

Although our churches have been physically closed, as an institution, the Church has expanded out of the confines of its church building to support people within the community and has been more intentional in pastoral care and support for those in need. I have heard so many stories about the love and care that our communities nationwide have been sharing. So many acts of random kindness!

During these strange and difficult times many have been drawn closer to God, as well as closer to neighbours and the wider community. Many people have been developing good habits that it is important they take into the future.

Here are two that I want to suggest would benefit us all:

1. Give more time to people to really listen to their needs.
2. Give more time to God to listen to what He wants to say to us.

Every blessing,

Reverend Alison

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If you feel unwell and experience any COVID-19 symptoms you must:

- **Stay indoors and self-isolate**
- **Arrange a test using your holiday address**

Do not ignore your symptoms: self-isolating and getting tested quickly is the best way that you can stay safe and protect others. You **MUST** notify your accommodation provider. If you need medical advice while you wait for your test results please contact your regular (home) GP or call 111. If you are staying or travelling with others, they must also self-isolate and take appropriate action based on your test result.

What should I do if my test is positive? If you feel well enough to travel and do not need to use public transport, you should return home as quickly and directly as you can. If you feel so unwell that you cannot travel or cannot avoid public transport, you should continue to isolate and call 111 for further advice. It is important that you do not use public transport. You must also tell your accommodation provider that you have tested positive. If you are unwell and cannot return home, you will be expected to pay all costs to your accommodation provider.

My test was negative, can I stay? Stay and enjoy your visit as planned but if you need medical assistance please call your own regular GP or 111.

Who to contact if you're unwell? If you are ill and need medical advice, call 111 or your own GP. In the event of a medical emergency, call 999.

How do I book a test?

Online: www.nhs.uk/coronavirus

Call: 119 Please use the address of your holiday destination:



COVID-19 Health Protection Boards of Devon & Torbay, Cornwall & Isles of Scilly, Dorset, Somerset and Plymouth



Strete Chapel



Greetings from the fellowship to all in the village!

We are continuing to meet at **Stoke Fleming Village Hall** to accommodate the number of people who wish to attend the Sunday service. If you would like to join us then please let us know in advance so that we can make sure that the seating is appropriately spaced out. If you would like to attend please email: stretechapel@gmail.com.

As the shadows get longer and the nights draw in, we can see plenty of signs that summer is coming to the end and Autumn will soon be upon us. Living in a rural part of the world this also means that many churches will be having a Harvest Festival to say thank you to the Lord for the provisions he gives us. Our Harvest Service will take place on 4th October 2020 at 11am in Stoke Fleming Village Hall.



Benjamin Corey for World Vision reflected on the meaning of harvest in the Bible saying... ‘You see, the symbolic meaning of harvest in Scripture encompasses two main areas: God’s provision for us and God’s blessing for others. While we celebrate a harvest season just once a year, we experience the spirit of harvest all the time.’ ‘Each day that we go to a job and earn a paycheck, we experience harvest. Each time we receive love from our family and those in our lives, we experience harvest. Each time we experience the closeness of God in a way that fills us spiritually, we experience harvest. Any time we are filled, we experience harvest.’ ‘When we put God in his place — his rightful place — we recognise him as the Lord of our harvest. We recognise that he is the one who gave us hands to work, that he is the one who supplies our provisions, that our family is actually his family ... that it rightfully belongs to him.’

★ Young Searchers Challenge ★

Young Searchers is a Christian children’s club based on teaching the Bible through stories, games and craft. We hope that you have enjoyed the summer holidays and going back to school has gone smoothly. We thought we would set a challenge in Stretewise until we can meet together again.



All children in the village are invited to take part.

Please ask your parent/carer to send in the answers by email to stretechapel@gmail.com.



Well done to those who got the answers right to the last set of questions!

This week I have been thinking about farming in the Bible and thought of the parable of the sower.

Q. What was it that ate up the seeds on the path?

Q. What happened to the seeds that fell on rocky ground?

Dear Lord, help us all to recognise the blessings in our lives and give thanks to You daily. **Amen**

Stretewise Crossword

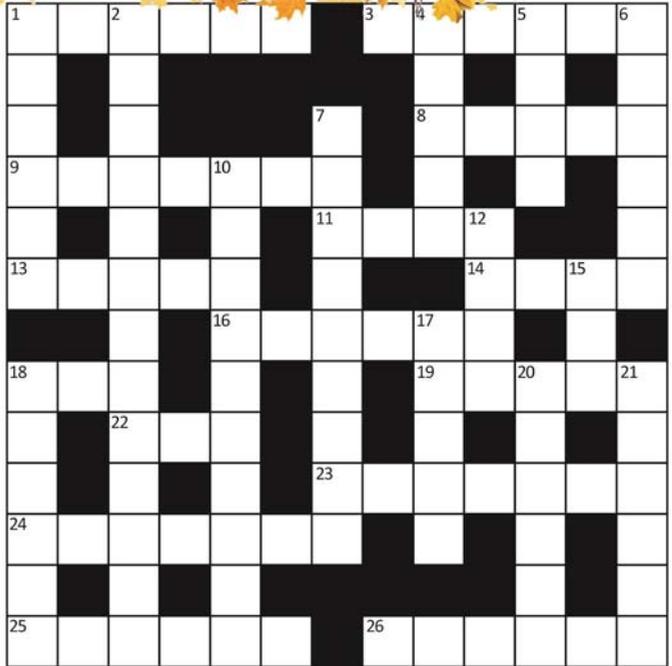
Solution on page 80

Across:

1. Ancient calculating tool.
3. Gradually destroyed.
8. Area around the most northern or most southern of the earth.
9. An opening or hole.
11. Give free expression to.
13. Battle during the Texas' war for independence .
14. A docile animal especially used as a draft animal.
16. British naval commander and national hero.
18. The expression or application of human creative skill and imagination.
19. A bowed instrument with four strings.
22. And others; and so forth; and so on.
23. Causing general public outrage.
24. Words written in memory of a person .
25. Showing respectful and considerate of other people.
26. A person who gives financial or other support to a person, organization.

Down:

1. Soft hair of a type of rabbit or goat.
2. Liquid hand and body soaps using alcohol or chlorine intended to kill or reduce harmful effects.
4. To develop to a suitable condition.
5. A valley, especially in northern England.
6. To cast a gloom over.
7. Manta and Octopus are known as this.
12. A musical or vocal sound with reference to its pitch, quality, and strength.
15. A former measure of length (equivalent to six hand breadths).
18. not attentive or alert.
20. A book or other collection of financial accounts.
21. Used to poured or squirt lubrication onto machinery.



"I saw a documentary on how ships are kept together. Riveting!"

"I was playing chess with my friend and he said, 'Let's make this interesting'. So, we stopped playing chess."



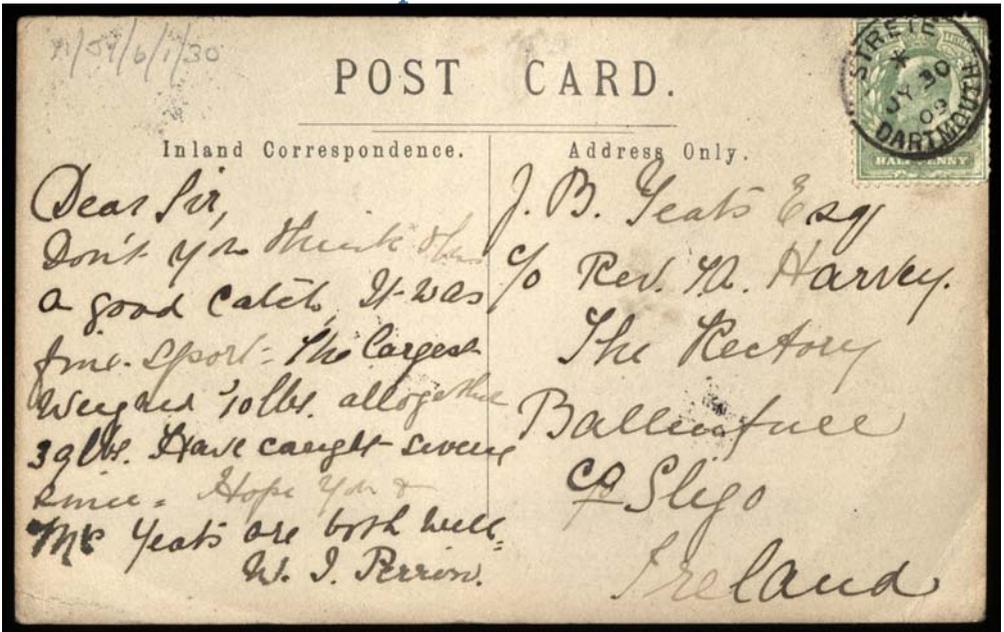
Postcard from William Perrin, Kings Arms hotel, Strete, Devon to Jack Butler Yeats, 30 July 1909. Y1/JY/6/1/30, Yeats Archive, National Gallery of Ireland.



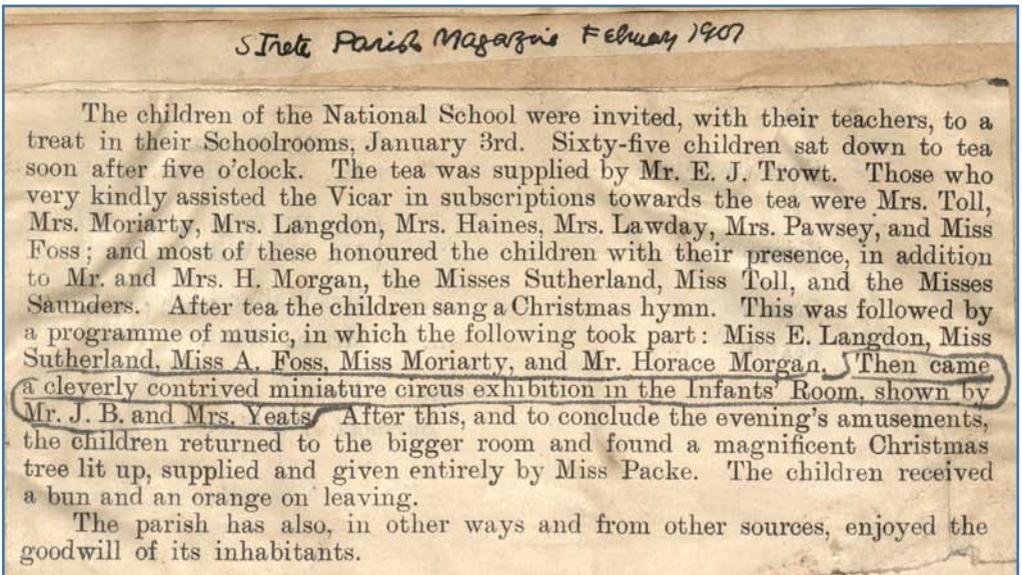
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During Jack and Cottie Yeats time living in Snails Castle, Strete, Jack obviously got to know the landlord of the Kings Arms. The postcard was sent by William Perrin, landlord of the Kings Arms Hotel, to Jack and Cottie Yeats while they were holidaying in Sligo. Would be good to equal that catch now.

Reflections on the past



The extract below is a clipping from the **Strete Parish Magazine February 1901.**



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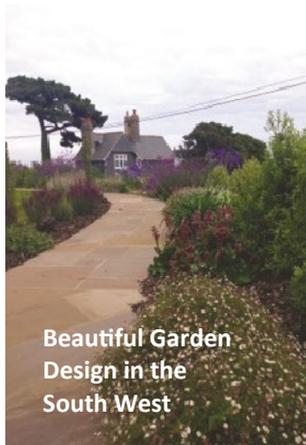
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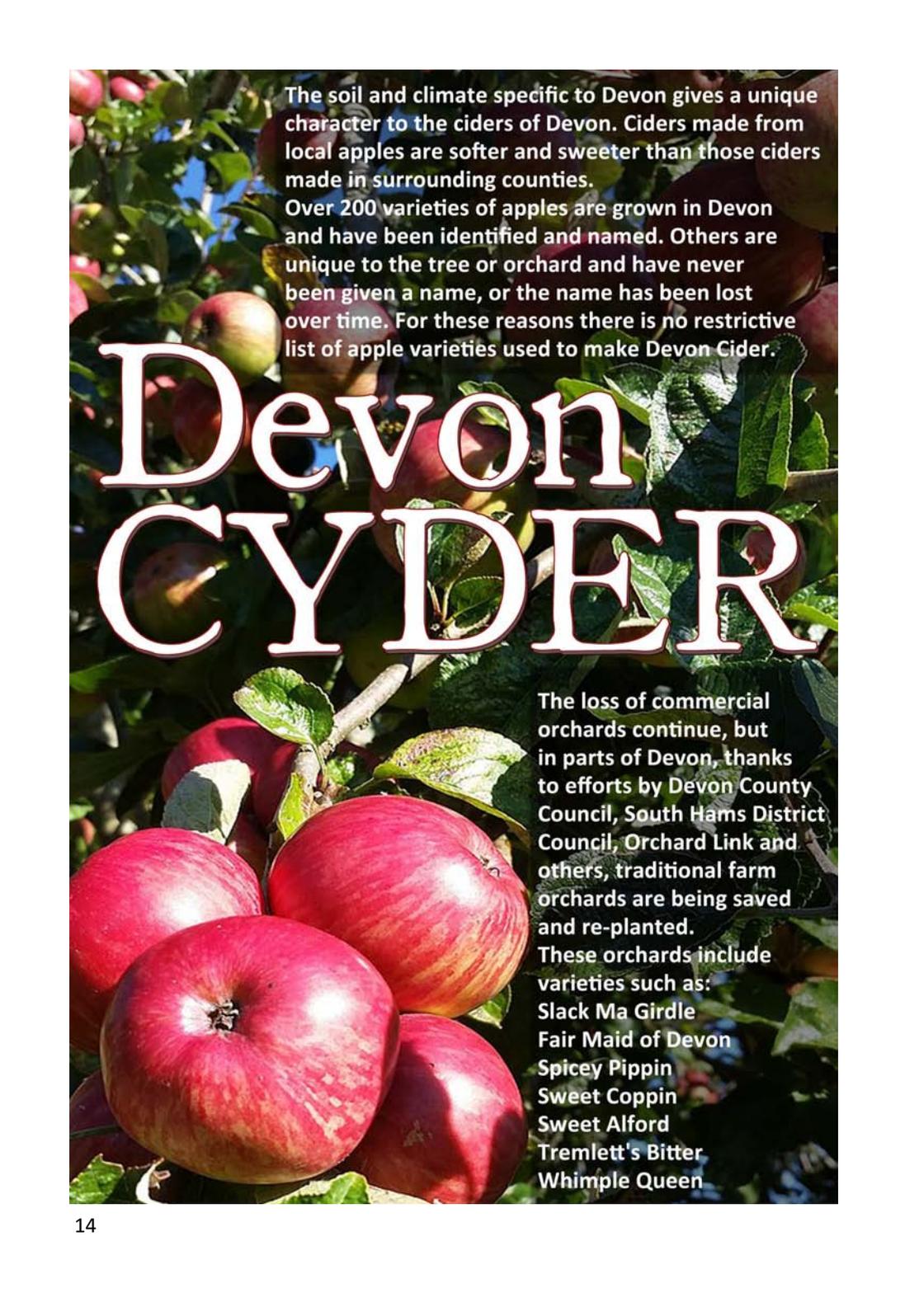
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The soil and climate specific to Devon gives a unique character to the ciders of Devon. Ciders made from local apples are softer and sweeter than those ciders made in surrounding counties.

Over 200 varieties of apples are grown in Devon and have been identified and named. Others are unique to the tree or orchard and have never been given a name, or the name has been lost over time. For these reasons there is no restrictive list of apple varieties used to make Devon Cider.

Devon CYDER

The loss of commercial orchards continue, but in parts of Devon, thanks to efforts by Devon County Council, South Hams District Council, Orchard Link and others, traditional farm orchards are being saved and re-planted.

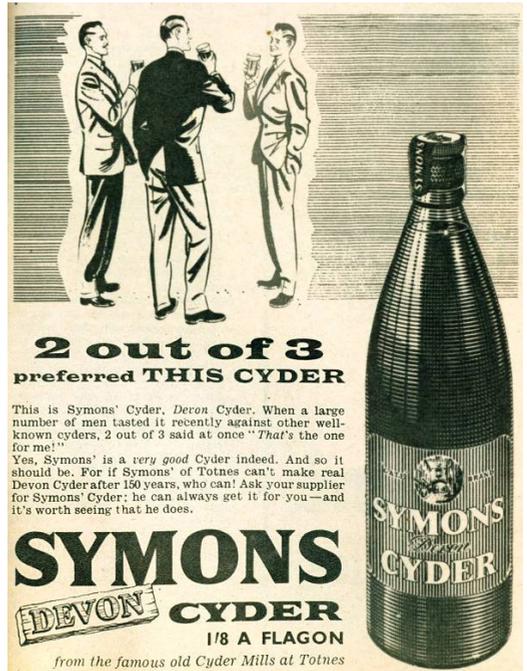
These orchards include varieties such as:

Slack Ma Girdle
Fair Maid of Devon
Spicey Pippin
Sweet Coppin
Sweet Alford
Tremlett's Bitter
Whimple Queen

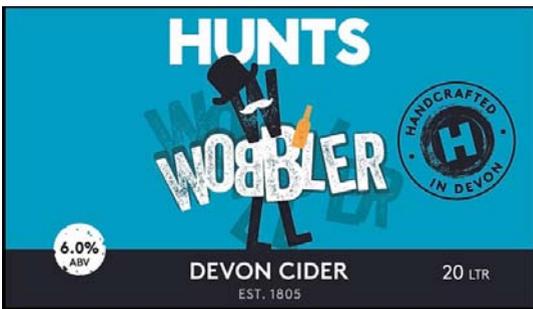
Before the late 19th century cider was made on a small scale in the farm house. As the growth of rail transport and bottling technology improved it enabled a new market to be established in towns and cities throughout the 20th century, dominated by a few larger cider manufacturers. However, in Devon it was estimated the county had lost around 90 percent of the orchards it had had at the end of the Second World War. Many of the smaller commercial cider factories in Devon closed due to the decline in the popularity of mass produced cider. However, some smaller presses survived and are now seeing a resurgence in the demand and appreciation of Devon craft ciders.

The Hunt family first began making

cider in 1771, but it was in 1805 that it really began to take a commercial route and



bottles were found dated 1805 by NP Hunt and Son. For four generations, cider was pressed in The Old Cider Cellar, which is located at Yalberton, Paignton. The original press, which is still functional, was run by a tractor and installed by W.G.F Hunt in 1952. This was a modern approach in comparison to the horse driven method used at the time.



More recently, a new cider barn was built in Grove Orchard, Stoke Gabriel. With the help of a Rural Economy Grant, they were able to install new cider production machinery. Hunts make in the region of 5000 - 7000 gallons of cider each year predominantly from their own apples and sell directly from the farm gate, as well as supplying a handful of local farm shops and pubs. They also offer a postal delivery service - you can buy or order online for delivery throughout mainland UK.



Cultivation of the apple goes back to Roman times and earlier. By the 11th Century, there were known orchards in France, in the regions around Caen and in the Pays d'Auge. Specific references to cider apple varieties began to emerge in the 13th and 14th Centuries and of these two varieties, Cap of Liberty and Genet Moyle, and are known to have survived and can be found growing and fruiting today. Besides the obvious differences of taste and flavour, the cider apple can be set apart from culinary and dessert fruit because its flesh has a fibrous texture which makes it easier to extract the juice. Its juice is high in tannin, which gives it its body and colour, and high in sugar but low in acidity.

Henry VIII sent fruiterer Richard Harris to France who bought back new varieties, including the Pippins and Julian de Paulmier (1588) published his treatise on cider in Caen, France. This was one of the first books on how to grow apples, store and mill them and make and keep cider. In England from the late 16th century onwards orchards appear very regularly on the holdings of small and large farmers alike. It seems likely these were cider orchards and they were there to produce cider both for drinking on the farm and selling out of county.

In 1676, John Worlidge wrote his *Vinetum Britannicum*, a treatise on the production and processing of apples that gives great insight into how little the method has changed in 340 years.



Vinetum Britannicum :
OR A
TREATISE
OF
CIDER;

And other Wines and Drinks extracted
from Fruits Growing in this Kingdom.
With the Method of Propagating all
sorts of Vinous FRUIT-TREES.
And a DESCRIPTION of the New-Invented
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By *J. Worlidge.* Gent.

LONDON,
Printed for *Thomas Dring,* over against the Inner-Tem-
ple-gate; and *Thomas Burrell,* at the Golden-ball under
Parish's Church in Fleet street. 1678.

The first written record of cider being used as a form of payment dates back to 1204 CE, from a manor house in Runham, Norfolk. This practice continued for many centuries, mostly as a means for wealthy landowners to pay their farm labourers.

It became the drink of the people, and production spread rapidly. By 1300, there were references to cider production in the counties now known as Buckinghamshire, Devonshire, Essex, Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Kent, Norfolk, Somerset, Suffolk, Surrey and Sussex and in most other counties as far north as Yorkshire.

Cider was produced in substantial quantities on farms; every farm would have a few cider apple trees as well as cooking and dessert apple trees in the orchard, and it became customary in the 18th

Costrel Firkin Circa 1840



Century to pay part of a farm labourer's wage in cider.

A typical allowance on a farm would be 3 - 4 pints per day. Labourers were rated by the amount they drank; one comment was that a 2 gallon a day man was worth the extra he drank!

In the western counties of England in particular, a farm worker could receive perhaps one-fifth of his

wage in cider. In the latter part of the 19th Century, a campaign to stop payment in the form of alcoholic beverages brought about the addition of a clause to the Truck Act of 1887 which prohibited the payment of wages in this way. "Truck" is believed to originate from a French word "troc" meaning barter, and it sometimes served a useful purpose in earlier centuries when people lived and worked in remote districts away from towns or markets, but was increasingly open to the abuse. It was the practice in Devon for parish overseers to place pauper children as apprentices with farmers and treated little better than slaves.



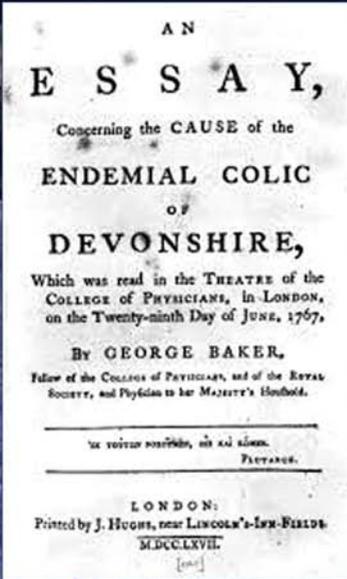
Not so rosy with CYDER

Devon Colic

One of the first written reference to the Colic is found in William Musgrave's treatise on gout published in 1703. Symptoms began with severe abdominal pains and the condition was occasionally fatal. Cider is the traditional drink of Devonians, and the connection between the colic and cider drinking in Devon had been observed for many years. The condition was commonly attributed to the acidity of the beverage.

Sir George Baker

b.1722 d.15 June 1809
George Baker was born in Devonshire in 1722, son of the Vicar of Modbury.



AN
E S S A Y,

Concerning the CAUSE of the
ENDEMIAL COLIC
OF
DEVONSHIRE,

Which was read in the THEATRE of the
COLLEGE of PHYSICIANS, in LONDON,
on the Twenty-ninth Day of JUNE, 1767.

By GEORGE BAKER,

Fellow of the COLLEGE of PHYSICIANS, and of the ROYAL
SOCIETY, and Physician to her Majesty's Household.

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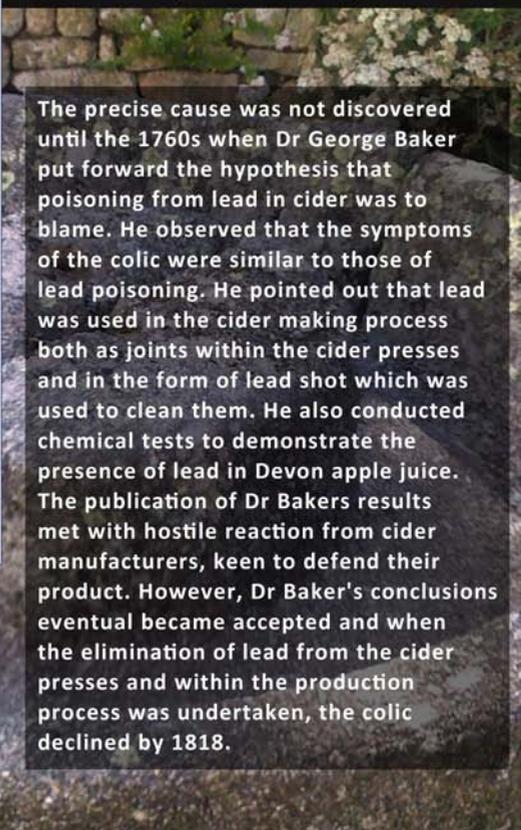
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[1767]



The precise cause was not discovered until the 1760s when Dr George Baker put forward the hypothesis that poisoning from lead in cider was to blame. He observed that the symptoms of the colic were similar to those of lead poisoning. He pointed out that lead was used in the cider making process both as joints within the cider presses and in the form of lead shot which was used to clean them. He also conducted chemical tests to demonstrate the presence of lead in Devon apple juice. The publication of Dr Bakers results met with hostile reaction from cider manufacturers, keen to defend their product. However, Dr Baker's conclusions eventual became accepted and when the elimination of lead from the cider presses and within the production process was undertaken, the colic declined by 1818.

More trouble
at the press...



Cider Bill of 1763

The tax sort to impose 4 shillings per hogshead on cider to raise revenue to pay for the Seven Years War.

John Stuart, Earl of Bute, was a favourite of George III. He was the King's tutor in the 1750s and rose quickly to high political office after George's accession in 1760. The Cider Bill of 1763 was a proposed measure by the British government of Lord Bute to enforce a tax on the production of cider.

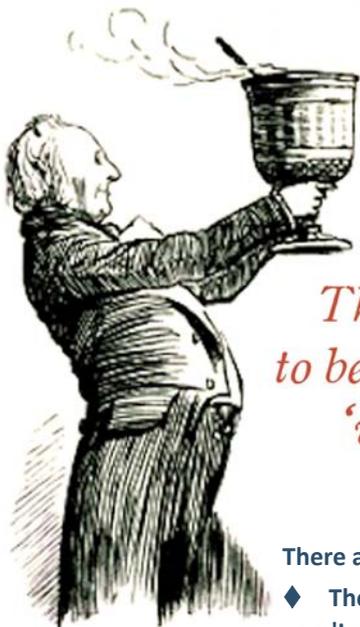
Britain's national debt had reached unprecedented levels during the early 1760s following the country's involvement in the Seven Years War. Throughout the West Country, the people rose in rebellion, demonstrating, marching and resisting the tax. Large bonfires consumed effigies of Bute.

The people refused to pay the tax and set upon the tax collectors and surveyors, employed to determine the acreage of cider apples on behalf of the government, even kidnapping them.

The government was forced to repeal the cider tax two years later.

Bute introduced the domestic excise tax on cider, along with his army budget. The cider tax extended the enforcement of the excise from retail shops to private English homes.





Wassail

The word 'wassail' is believed to be derived from the Old English 'was hál', meaning 'be hale' or 'good health'

There are three Wassail' traditions:

- ◆ The filling of a common bowl or cup often referred to as a 'Loving Cup' and passing it around a room to be shared.
- ◆ Taking a bowl of Wassail around from house to house.
- ◆ A celebration of the apple harvest and the blessing of the fruit or trees.

"In the south hams (villages) of Devonshire, on the eve of the Epiphany, the farmer, attended by his workmen, with a large pitcher of cider, goes to the orchard, and there encircling one of the best bearing trees they drink the following toast three several times:

"Here's to thee, old apple-tree,
Whence thou mayst bud, and whence thou mayst blow!
And whence thou mayst bear apples enow!
Hats full! Caps full!
Bushel-bushel-sacks full,
And my pockets full too! Huzza!

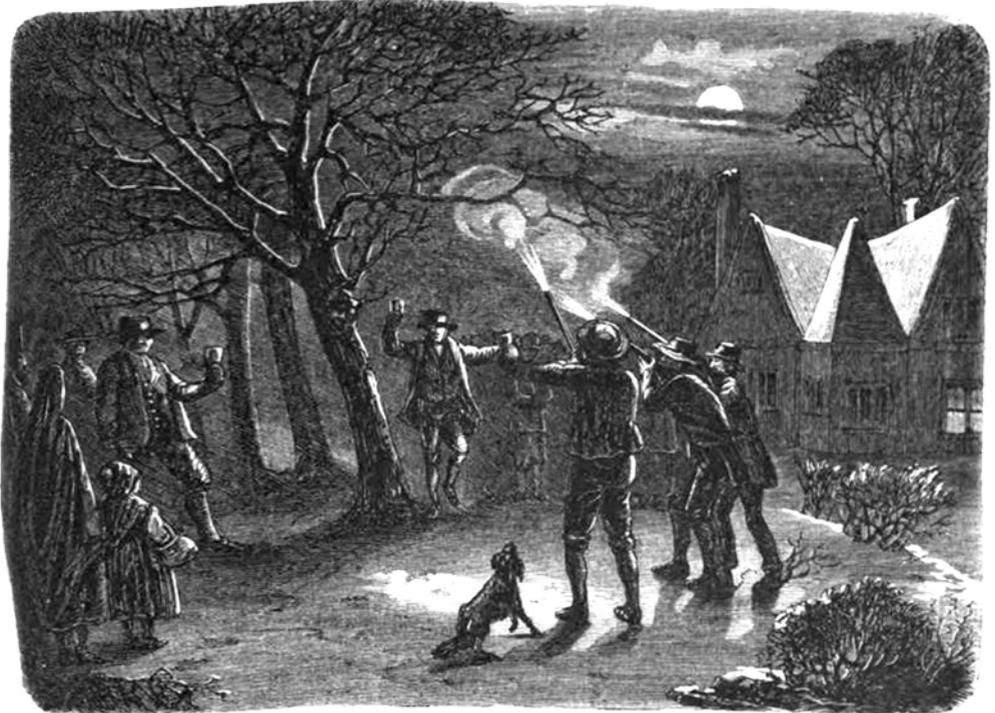
This done, they return to the house, the doors of which they are sure to find booted by the females, who, be the weather what it may, are inexorable to all entreaties to open them till someone has guessed at what is on the spit, which is generally some nice little thing, difficult to hit on, and is their reward of him who first names it. The doors are then thrown open, and the lucky clod pole receives the tit-bit as his recompense. Some are not so superstitious as to believe that if they neglect this custom the trees will bear no apples that year.

- *Gentleman's Magazine 1791- 403 In Chambers, Book of Days.*

Devonshire, England, - Twelfth Night (January 7)

The farmers get their weapons and go to their apple orchard. Selecting the oldest tree, they form a circle and chant: The men drink cider, make merry, and fire their weapons (charged only with powder) at the tree. They return to the home and are denied entrance no matter what the weather by the women indoors. When one of the men guesses the name of the roast that is being prepared for them, all are let in. The one who guessed the roast is named "King for the Evening" and presides over the party until the wee hours.

- 1851 London Newspaper



The purpose of wassailing is to awake the cider apple trees and to scare away evil spirits to ensure a good harvest of fruit in the Autumn. The assembled crowd sing and shout, bang drums, pots and pans and generally make a racket until the gunmen fire a final volley through the branches to make sure their work is done and then move on to the next orchard.

The ceremonies of each wassail vary from village to village. Traditionally, the wassail is celebrated on Twelfth Night (variously on either January 5 or 6). Some people still wassail on "Old Twelvey Night", January 17, as it would have been before the introduction of the Gregorian Calendar in 1752.

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Ron's Tales

RIDING A TSUNAMI

February 1960 found me languishing on HMS Duncansby Head a large depot ship forming part of the reserve fleet in Chatham Dockyard. A month previously I had left my last ship a Boom Defense and salvage vessel based at the Scottish Port of Greenock on the River Clyde and was awaiting my next ship or shore establishment. My job was the electrical maintenance of vessels in reserve or in 'mothballs'. It was OK but I would rather have a sea going post, the favourite at the time was the 'West Indies Station', but at least I could go home to New Malden in Surrey for my week-ends. Then one morning the tannoy called out "EM Howell, report to the Regulating office".

Oh heck what's that about I thought, is this it, my next draft (posting). "Ah Howell" the Petty Officer Regulator (Naval Police) muttered from his chair, "nip down to the ships office, they have something for you, I think you are on your way". So I went down one deck and knocked on the door of the office to be greeted by the ships writer (nicknamed Scribes). "Right Howell, here is a Draft Chit (Orders) and travel warrant, you will be going to Southampton to join the Troopship 'Nevasa' going to the Far East, "but don't worry you will be dropped off at Gibraltar to join HMS Manxman as Steaming Party and bring her back to Chatham for Refit".

What a relief, the thought of 18 months or two and a half years in the Far East didn't appeal to me as I had just met up and fallen in love with a Greenock girl.

So armed with my kit bag, suitcase, tool box and travel warrant I headed for Southampton docks to board the Troopship and to join over 1,500 Army, Royal

Airforce and Navy personnel and their families for the five-day trip in my case, Gibraltar.

Nevasa was owned by the British India Steam Navigation Co. and at 20,527 tons was the first purpose-built Troopship built after the Second World War and was launched on the Clyde in Nov. 1955.



After spending the first five and a half years of my Naval life in 'Small Ships' the troopship seemed massive to me, run in Army routine to which the Navy and RAF were not used to, so much so the Army soon gave up on us and left us alone to our own devices apart from getting up in the mornings, which we had to, or else we would miss out on breakfast.

All went well for the first couple of days and the weather was kind to us, even the Bay of Biscay was behaving itself as it has a reputation for heavy seas and heavy ground swells, however that was until the early morning of the fourth day.

Just prior to the 'tannoy system' telling us all to get up out of our beds the Nevasa started to pitch and roll despite being fitted with stabilizers which started a mass exodus to the upper deck to see what was going on. I was one of them and along with three other naval lads we reached the upper deck and were greeted with the sight of men gripping the guard rails in a mass sea sickness frenzy, I remember saying to the lads that there would be plenty of breakfast left over for us, being navy we were immune to sea sickness. Fortunately, this pretty violent occurrence soon passed and the ship resumed its normal movement through the sea.

What the hell was that was the main topic of conversation throughout the day, no one had an answer even the ships officers had no explanation to what had caused such disruption to the normal sea state for that day, and so it was pushed to the back of our minds as we prepared to disembark at Gibraltar the following day and myself to join HMS Manxman .



HMS Manxman was an Abdiel Class Fast Mine-layer. When completed in Feb. 1940 she joined the fleet with her sister ships Apollo, Abdiel, Ariadne, and Welshman. To this day they remain a legend and are often discussed on Royal Naval websites about their sheer speed needed to lay mines in enemy waters. Now as the years move on, I am fast becoming one of

the few to have witnessed the speed of this class of warship which I will relate later.

When I joined her at Gibraltar, she was well into being taken out of reserve in preparation for her trip to Chatham to convert into a Minesweeper Depot ship and future deployment in the Far East.



I am the one with the red spot

One day at the beginning of March a flap was on with a lot of coming and going of men and equipment being loaded onto the Manxman, talk went round that we were taking aboard rescue and medical equipment to go across to Agadir, Morocco where an earthquake had occurred with terrible loss of life, we were to go to give aid and rescue people. I still have a letter written to my father of the dread we all had of having to go over there to dig out the bodies. However, after a couple of days we were stood down as it was deemed to be unsafe due to disease and the hopelessness of finding survivors.

As I have previously written this class of warship were the fastest ships in the Royal Navy and no other navy in the world had warships like them, apart from their main task of laying mines they carried stores, equipment and ammunition. They had the capacity to store and lay over 150 mines from two large openings in her stern, the size of a Cruiser she had Destroyer capabilities but were well known for their speed.

A story went about at the time when the Manxman sailing to join the fleet for the Suez operation in 1956 passed the US Navy 6th Fleet, the American Admiral taking exception to the old Second World War three funneled British warship passing them ordered all ships increase speed to overtake the Manxman, whereas the Manxman picked up the challenge and left the Americans standing with the signal to the American Admiral “see you off Egypt”.

Towards the end of March, the Manxman was ready for sea trials the last of those being the speed trials. Manxman was just about ready for the journey to UK, but there was one more thing to do and that was to test her sea worthiness and machinery for the trip and included in that was the measured mile run off Gibraltar.

For a few days the buzz was going around that because the Manxman was going to be converted into a Depot ship which would mean her losing one or two of her machinery spaces which would cut down her speed, and the title of the fastest ship in the Royal Navy, so why not give the old girl a chance to prove herself, providing if she was up to it.

And so, one early morning the Manxman slipped her moorings from the Mole in Gib. harbour, the sea was flat calm as she turned into the Mediterranean her favourite hunting ground during the Second World War.

Heading toward the Spanish coast the Manxman commenced working up to full speed, joining us hundreds of Dolphins leaping and diving trying to keep up being watched by members of the ships company not required on watch, and that included me observing the action from the quarterdeck.

After all those years I still have vivid snapshot images in my mind of that morning as Manxman worked up to full speed, the ship was trembling and shuddering violently as her prop shafts were turning faster and faster, the three funnels were shaking and rattling with occasional heavy jets of smoke and paint peeling off them, the feeling was indescribable as the huge ship turned to port to commence the measured mile, the one big thing that stood out was the huge propeller wash from her stern reaching as high as the quarter deck, why do I remember that? Well when permission was given on some of my other ships we were allowed, one at a time, to tie our dirty hammocks to a long rope and tow them in the propeller wash to clean them, sea water being better than scrubbing them by hand, so as I gazed at the Manxman’s prop wash on that day I thought to myself no that hammock would last a minute being towed in that maelstrom.

Then we entered the measured mile the speed unbelievable for such a large ship it almost felt she was shaking herself to bits, then all of a sudden, the speed dropped off as the Manxman settled down awaiting the broadcast from the bridge hopefully to announce the official recorded speed.



“Do you hear there, Captain speaking, the speed attained which is to be verified was 42.3 knots” (48.6 mph) Our little group on the quarterdeck including the Chief Mechanic were doing a little jig at the news, the old girl was still up for it a credit to her designers and builders and ships companies over the years looking after her.

It was the last time she would attain those speeds for which made her sister ships famous for over twenty years. Bowing out to old age yet still on active service she went to the Far East after being converted to a Minesweeper Depot ship eventually returning home to be scrapped in 1972.

We left Gibraltar a couple of days later for the trip to Chatham at a cruising speed of a quarter of her top speed. On her arrival at Chatham we de-stored and prepared her for conversion, my next ship unbeknown to me was laying astern of us, one of the newest and best ships in the Royal Navy, the Daring Class vessel HMS Diamond my future home for the next three years.

It is only in recent years that I found out just what happened that morning on the Troopship Nevasa. The word Tsunami became known to us in recent years after the terrible disasters caused by earth movements at sea and that caused me to cast my mind back to the Agadir earthquake and my near involvement in it. Reading about the effects of the Agadir quake I saw that it caused a Tsunami that spread huge waves out to sea and along the coast and that was why the Nevasa, that morning, hit the waves that no one had an explanation for at the time, so now myself and 1500 or so personnel on the Nevasa on that day can say we surfed a Tsunami.

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Stretewise Recipe

Raised Pork Pie

The ingredients:

For the filling

800g pork shoulder, minced

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250g bacon, chopped

1 tbsp chopped sage

1 tsp chopped thyme

2 pinches ground nutmeg

½ tsp ground mace

½ tsp salt

1 tsp white pepper



For the pastry

575g plain flour

200g lard

220ml water

For the finish

1 egg, beaten

6 gelatine leaves

300ml chicken stock

Method

Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. In a large bowl mix together all the ingredients for the filling.

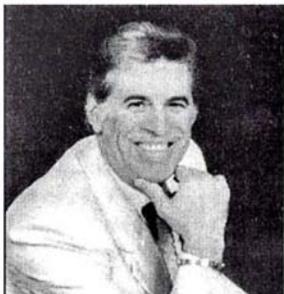
To make the pastry, put the flour in a large bowl. Add the lard and water into a small pan and heat gently until the lard melts. Bring just to the boil and then stir into the flour using a wooden spoon. When the mixture is cool enough to handle, (still feeling very warm) knead well until smooth.

Take 1/4 of the dough, wrap in cling film and reserve for the lid. Roll out the remaining dough to a circle and then place in the base of a non-stick 20cm springform cake tin. Working quickly while the dough is warm and pliable, press the dough evenly over the base and up the sides of the tin. Making sure there are no holes. Fill with the meat mixture and pack down. Roll out the dough for the lid. Place on top of the pie. Pinch all around the edge to seal the pie. Make a hole in the centre using the handle of a wooden spoon to enable the steam to escape,

Cook in the oven for 30 minutes then reduce the heat to 160C/140C fan/gas 3 and cook for 90 minutes. Brush the top with beaten egg and return to the oven for a further 20 mins. Leave until cold.

Soak the gelatine in cold water for about 5 mins, then remove and squeeze out the excess water. Heat the stock until almost boiling. Remove from the heat and stir in the gelatine. Leave to cool to room temperature.

Use a small funnel to pour the stock into the pie through the hole in the top. Pour in a little at a time allowing a few seconds before each addition. Place in the fridge to set overnight.



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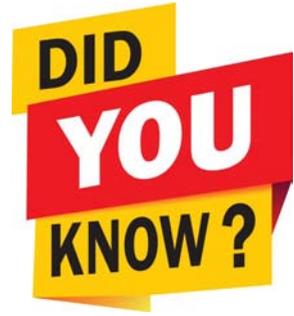
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Stretwiser Factoids

- ❖ Unless food is mixed with saliva you can't taste it.
- ❖ A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.
- ❖ Elephants are the only mammal that can't jump.
- ❖ The average golf ball has 336 dimples
- ❖ Its physically impossible for pigs to look up at the sky.
- ❖ Pearls melt in vinegar.
- ❖ Bali has the world's largest variety of flora.
- ❖ $111,111,111 \times 111,111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321$
- ❖ 2,500 left handed people are killed a year from using right handed products.
- ❖ Sound travels 4.3 times faster through water than in air.
- ❖ Your brain uses 25% of all the oxygen you breathe.
- ❖ Only female mosquitoes bite.
- ❖ 70% of all Irish barley grown goes towards the production of Guinness beer.



Stretwise - Westertise (Anagrams)

Thank you to Tony Crawford for starting our Westertise (Anagrams)

Do you have any anagrams for the next issue? Email: stretwise@outlook.com

Clint Eastwood: rearrange the letters: **Old West action.**

Leonardo da Vinci: rearrange the letters: **Did colour in a nave.**

Nurse Florence Nightingale: rearrange the letters: **Heroine curing fallen gents.**

Noël Coward is: rearrange the letters: **No Oscar Wilde.**

M. Caine: rearrange the letters: **Cinema.**

Alec Guinness: rearrange the letters: **Genuine class.**

The Detectives: rearrange the letters: **Detect Thieves.**

Postmaster: rearrange the letters: **Stamp Store.**

A decimal point: rearrange the letters: **I'm a dot in place.**

A Gentleman: rearrange the letters: **Elegant Man.**

A domesticated animal: rearrange the letters: **Docile, as a man tamed it.**

Conversation: rearrange the letters: **Voices Rant On.**

Debit card: rearrange the letters: **Bad credit.**

Listen: rearrange the letters: **Silent.**

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No such certificate exists and this is not the case.

An application to SHDC/WDBC in some form is required prior to carrying out works to any trees subject to a TPO or in a Conservation Area. If you hear of any residents being approached by such contractors, please encourage them to take as many contact details for the contractors as possible along with vehicle registration numbers and descriptions of the individuals (if safe to do so) and report them to the police on 101 or via their website at <https://www.police.uk/101/>.

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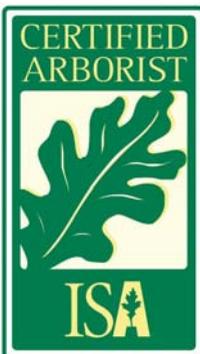
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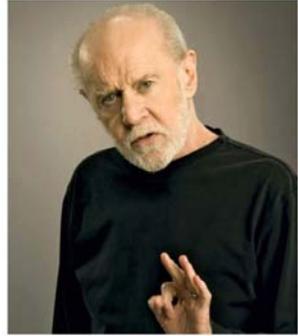
My thoughts for Today!

Contribution by Tony Crawford

George Carlin

George Carlin's wife died early in 2008 and George followed her, dying in July 2008.

It is ironic George Carlin - comedian of the 70's and 80's - could write something so very eloquent and so very appropriate.



An observation by George Carlin:

The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings but shorter tempers, wider Freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less, we buy more, but enjoy less. We have bigger houses and smaller families, more conveniences, but less time. We have more degrees but less sense, more knowledge, but less judgment, more experts, yet more problems, more medicine, but less wellness.



We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too little, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life.

We've added years to life not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet a new neighbour. We conquered outer space but not inner space. We've done larger things, but not better things.

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul. We've conquered the atom, but not our prejudice. We write more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish less.

We've learned to rush, but not to wait. We build more computers to hold more information, to produce more copies than ever, but we communicate less and less.

These are the times of fast foods and slow digestion, big men and small character, steep profits and shallow relationships.

These are the days of two incomes but more divorce, fancier houses, but broken homes. These are days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throwaway morality, one-night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer, to quiet, to kill. It is a time when there is much in the showroom window and nothing in the stockroom. A time when technology can bring this letter to you, and a time when you can choose either to share this insight, or to just hit delete.



Remember to spend some time with your loved ones, because they are not going to be around forever.

Remember, say a kind word to someone who looks up to you in awe, because that little person soon will grow up and leave your side.

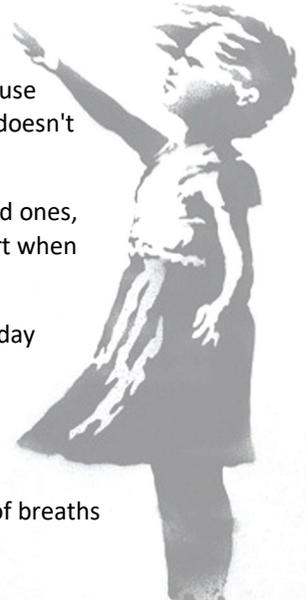
Remember, to give a warm hug to the one next to you, because that is the only treasure you can give with your heart and it doesn't cost a cent.

Remember, to say, 'I love you' to your partner and your loved ones, but most of all mean it. A kiss and an embrace will mend hurt when it comes from deep inside of you.

Remember to hold hands and cherish the moment for someday that person will not be there again.

Give time to love, give time to speak! And give time to share the precious thoughts in your mind.

And always remember, life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by those moments that take our breath away.



George Carlin

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HELD ON ZOOM ON THURSDAY 16 July 2020 AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT

Cllr Kate Gill, Chairman (KG); Cllr Ralph Clark (RC); Cllr Louise Newman (LN); Cllr Ian Cumberlidge (IC); Cllr David Rothwell (DR); Cllr Graham Campbell (GC); Cllr Peter Hales (PH); Cllr Julian Brazil, County Councillor, Kingsbridge Division (JB); Cllr Richard Foss, District Councillor, Allington & Strete Ward (RF); three members of the public.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mr and Mrs Singleton [TS] and Dr Potter [DP] attended the meeting to speak on 41 Start Bay Park. TS outlined the difficulties experienced by the neighbours of the applicant over the application. The letters of notification from South Hams District Council [SHDC] came around June 3rd. This was the first he knew of the application. The Parish Council met and discussed the application before the neighbours knew this meeting had taken place. He felt therefore he had no voice in that discussion. In his opinion the Parish Council failed to respond to his repeated requests to explain the process behind the decision. The minutes stated the decision but not the supporting discussion. The planning portal gave a 'support' decision by the Parish Council but without an explanation.

He observed that it would have been very difficult to lodge any comments by the time the Parish Council met to discuss the application. It took a week for the objection raised by TS to be uploaded onto the portal so it gave him very little time to consider the application in any detail. The Parish Council had advised him they looked at the planning portal before they considered the application and had seen no comments by the date of the meeting on June 18th. Then he wondered why the Parish had waited until the 10th July to make their comment on the portal which suggests they could have waited to see what objections came in before the deadline.

TS noted a number of approaches had been made to ask the Parish Council to consider the concerns of the neighbours. A petition had been organised and correspondence sent to promote the views of the neighbours. The Parish Council advised the decision could not be revisited within six months. TS was surprised this was the case during the time of COVID and all the communication issues going on.

He also noted that none of the communication was ever aimed at the Clerk whom he felt was 'somebody who is between a rock and hard place'. So, he understood

that and thought he had made that clear but he was really sorry the Clerk was upset by this. He had apologised to the Clerk. But he also wanted to make clear he was under considerable stress by this application. And the lack of 'voice' added to this stress.

TS acknowledged lockdown had caused a problem with communication. The noticeboards had been not been updated since 23rd March [*on advice of the Devon Association of Local Councils in respect of the risk of infection*] and these were a source of information on parish matters.

DP then spoke. He had commented with SHDC, he believed fully, on the effect of the application on his property. He then expressed frustration on how exceedingly difficult it was to find out when the Parish Council meeting was taking place. Neighbours had tried to find out when the Council was meeting and had looked at the website and on the noticeboards. So, the meeting had taken place before he was aware of what was happening. Hence his initial comment to say he would have really appreciated it if there had been a site visit.

He outlined the particular effect of the proposed application on his property. He was concerned about the likelihood that he would lose all his privacy and be overlooked. And in particular he would lose a considerable amount of afternoon sunlight which he liked to sit out in and enjoy.

DP raised precedent if this particular application went ahead. He cited a High Court [2009] ruling on a planning application which stated consistency leads to good administration and comes from general principles of fairness and the treatment of citizens. A consistent treatment of applications might mean if one applicant has approval to do a conversion of this nature then others could argue for the same outcome. He then noted the tightness of the bungalows and the low roof lines in Start Bay Park. DP acknowledged councillors Cumberlidge and Campbell visited the site but he wished this had happened prior to the meeting. And it still troubled him that the Parish Council can make decisions on plans that will have a serious impact on parishioners.

KG thanked the parishioners and responded to their comments. She noted the Parish Council meetings are always held on the third Thursday of the month. The Parish Council only makes suggestions as they have no powers to make decisions.

The comment lodged by the Parish Council goes to SHDC to consider but they still make up their own mind. In fact, in a number of cases the Parish Council made one recommendation and SHDC came to a different decision. KG confirmed the councillors had checked the portal to see if anything had been put on it but nothing had. She asked if the neighbours had received the notification letters from SHDC which was confirmed.

Concluded that SHDC might want to look at the updating of the portal and how long members of the public have to respond to applications. They had found difficulty in getting their comments together and uploaded in time.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

JB briefly explained for the benefit of the parishioners the role of SHDC in the planning process whereby SHDC has responsibility for making planning decisions. He also introduced himself as the Chair of the Development Management [planning] committee and that he was very interested in planning issues.

JB met today with the Health Board which looks at all the local hospital trusts and their plans to deal with a local outbreak of COVID-19. DCC had an Local Outbreak Management Plan <https://www.devon.gov.uk/impact/lomp/> which sets out how they would deal with a sudden spike in cases. He explained there were a number of scenarios of which the least desirable would be to return to the strict lockdown imposed from the 23rd March. There are other contingency plans to control a local outbreak, depending on circumstances.

DCC Cabinet last week agreed the latest round of pothole funding. Lisa [Edmonds] has funds for this work so **to let Lisa or JB know of any works that need to be done. The report was received.**

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

RF reassured the parishioners that the application for 41 Start Bay Park would be looked at properly by SHDC and their comments seen by the officer who is reviewing the application. JB and he are the Chair and Vice Chair of the Development Management Committee which handles planning applications. They have vast experience handling difficult planning applications.

He knew Start Bay Park quite well and had visited it a number of times. Certain factors would be taken into account with the application because of its location, and the way it looks so it is a particular street scene. As it's in the AONB, that's a protected landscape. He also mentioned some policies in the Joint Local Plan [JLP] that would apply to the decision. For instance, DEV 24 [Undeveloped Coast and Heritage Coast] on the landscape, DEV 25 [Nationally Protected landscapes] and DEV 27 [Green and Play spaces]. So, it will be rigorously looked at. He asked the parishioners to contact him with any questions and he would make sure these were passed on.

RF reiterated the application had a fair way to go with a lot more processes for it to go through. It may go to the full committee but this depends [partly] on what the planning officer says. Overlooking would be considered and light as well but a view isn't considered in the decision-making process.

RF noted he understood the frustration felt by the parishioners. But he also understood the Parish Council too. Having come through COVID 19, officers and members have spent a lot of time in front of a screen trying to communicate with people as best they could to keep things moving. And it has been a very difficult time.

The Development Management committee hadn't met during the pandemic and there had been no site meetings. They were using mediation and meeting online to

resolve some planning issues that are outstanding.

SHDC had paid out a lot of money during the pandemic and they have had funding from central government but not enough. So, finances are a bit ragged, though fundamentally sound, and it will take some time to recover. There will be another budget in September. SHDC is also looking at how the council works and whether that can be greener. For instance, since the lockdown there had been 300,000 fewer miles travelled so that has helped with global warming. Meetings could be held online but RF noted he did like to meet people. **The report was received.**

0720/1 APOLOGIES – No apologies were received.

0720/2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 18 JUNE 2020

The above minutes were AGREED as a true and correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

0720/3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Parish Councillors were invited to declare any unregistered or other interest, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting. **LN declared an interest in item 4.**

0720/4 PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS

1836/20/TCA T1 Horse Chestnut fell, T2 Sycamore fell. Trees are within close proximity to buildings posing health and safety issues. School House A379 Strete Village TQ6 0RW. IC spoke as the tree warden. He suggested to crown reduce the central sycamore and sacrifice the other two trees which are small and growing out of a wall. All councillors [except LN] were asked their views and all agreed the analysis. PH observed the health and safety aspect might refer to the position of oil tanks though he wasn't certain. RC noted as it was in the AONB and the Conservation area the planners should take that into account. **Resolved a crown reduction of the main sycamore tree and lose the other two trees [a horse chestnut and a small sycamore].**

RF asked if the trees had TPOs on them. IC said he thought the large sycamore did. *[TPO 887 is on a large sycamore on Land adjacent to School House]*. RF stated then the order should come through to full committee now.

0720/5(a) FINANCE

A single cheque was listed for payment and an invoice had been sent to all councillors before the meeting.

1725 = Clerk salary July £249.	
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It was proposed and AGREED by all present to authorise the payment as enumerated above.

0720/5(b) FINANCE

A monitoring report for 2020/21 had been circulated already along with a cash-flow projection. The projection to the end of September 2020 gave CR11,539.60. It was agreed the latest monitoring should be published on the website. **Resolved the monitoring statements would be put on the website.**

0720/5(c) FINANCE

Cash at bank –£9,865.92CR Current account at 08/07/20, £10,297.39CR Business Reserve account at 08/07/20.

0720/6 CLERK'S REPORT

The report had been sent round before the meeting.

Councillor interests. The SLCC had confirmed that the councillors involved in the pub working group should declare and update their interests. This is RC and DR. **For action.**

b. Coast path exit (s) on A379 and general signage in that area. LN and the Clerk had met to consider the safety aspects of the exits from the Coast path down by Asherne after last month's meeting [Minute 0620/15]. LN was also concerned about the safety of pedestrians on the stretch of road by Asherne Cottages toward the village. It was felt more signs should be put up to notify traffic of pedestrians in that stretch between the bend at the bottom of Hynetown Road and the village on the A379. Also, that the stone pillars by the coast path exit on the bend should be cut into to improve the line of site on that bend. LN had cut the hedges on her side of the road.

A general discussion took place. RF counselled that if the parish wished to put their own signs up these would be tolerated by Highways on practical grounds. However virtual footpaths which were discussed are now illegal. RC also observed there is a large amount of vegetation along the road from the cottages at Asherne up to the Kings Arms Car Park. **Resolved KG approach Lisa Edmonds to get this cut back.**

DR asked about putting a convex mirror he had opposite the exit from the coast path. The risk was from cyclists who were silent but speedy along that bend. **Resolved the council approach the landowner [The Old Vicarage] to request permission to have a mirror on their land.** LN also explained the gateposts obscure the line of sight at that corner. If highways would pay, she would be happy to discuss how to have the corner altered so it was clearer for pedestrians at that point. **Resolved: the council to contact Lisa Edmonds via JB and arrange a visit on site.**

c. Samsung Galaxy tablet. The asset was to be written off. **To carry forward.**

d. Website accessibility requirements. Regulations require public bodies with websites to have these compliant with accessibility standards by 23rd September 2020. These accessibility standards are defined on the Directgov website by reference to the international WCAG 2.1AA accessibility standard. **For note and action.**

e. Coming out of lockdown. The playpark was reopened on Monday 6th July after an inspection arranged with Helen Hardwicke the mobile locality officer. KG enrolled Terry Hallett to cut the grass. Allianz has inspected the site as insurer. The HM Government Gov.uk website was updated 9th July with information. **The report was received.**

0720/7 UPDATES ON COVID-19

No report was received prior to the meeting. A number of reports include updates on the pandemic including the County Councillor, the Chairman and the Clerk.

0720/8 CHAIR'S REPORT

This report was submitted prior to the meeting. Chair's Report Strete Parish Council 16.07.20

Coronavirus - The advice as before still applies – RISK ASSESS – look around – STAY ALERT even though restrictions are not quite as draconian. It seems we have to prepare ourselves for living with COVID-19 for a considerable time. We will be expected to wear face coverings in shops as well as other public places on top of the existing places. Other services are being added to the list of businesses we are now allowed to patronise. This is to support the business world which is in dire need of assistance. Although the daily death toll is declining it is anticipated that it will rise again during the colder winter weather. **It seems that the pandemic is having a bizarre effect on the population.** Lack of human contact and kindness is disturbingly disorientating on rationale. My elder daughter who is a community psychiatric nurse in a Devon city is under extra pressure as a result!

Strete Gate and Slapton Line - Now there is more freedom of movement people are rushing to our beaches. Slapton Line/Memorial Car Park has been the biggest failure in social distancing I have witnessed. Motorhomes of all sizes have been parked so closely together that there has hardly been any room to exit or enter them. Last weekend there were over a dozen tents on the beach at Strete Gate some were huge family ones. There were several open fires surrounded by large groups of people below Asherne. There was also a huge amount of noise – which was extremely loud and prevented residents from sleeping properly. It would be great if the powers that be could enforce our existing bye laws. **The byelaws notice is fixed to the wall of the Public Toilets at Strete Gate.** We also had issues with parking at Strete Gate where there were too many cars for the car park and people were parking on the clearway from Strete Gate corner towards the hair pin bend at Gull Corner. Cars were also parked thickly on the double yellow lines at Strete Gate. They received parking tickets.

Play Park – has now been opened after Helen Hardwicke did her inspection on 6th July. I was with her at the time. I noticed that she tested out the strength of the equipment by climbing on it. She was happy with everything,

including the grass cutting and gave it her seal of approval. It is being very happily used by lots of youngsters. Helen suggested that it would be a good idea to treat all the wood with a preservative to enhance its life. So, if there is anyone out there interested in helping please let me know.

Kings Arms – by now everyone should have received their invitation card for ‘A Call to Arms – The King’s Arms’. If you are able to help please do so - all assistance in whatever form will be greatly welcomed.

Thanks again to all the helpers who have enabled us to keep safe. Stay safe. **The Chair’s report was received.**

0720/9 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A report was submitted prior to the meeting. A link to the full report is here on the ‘Where are We Now’ page within the Neighbourhood Plan section of the parish website under ‘July 2020 Neighbourhood Plan Update’. https://strete.org.uk/rw_common/plugins/stacks/armadillo/media/59NotesofNPforJuly2020.pdf

NP Report for PC – July 2020 .RC reported to the members of the Strete Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group [Group] on 14th July on Cox’s Farm Field [CFF] and its inclusion in the draft Neighbourhood Plan. His report outlined events, with recent correspondence, and asked the Group to indicate their choice between two options. The choice would be reported back to the Examiner after the Parish Council meeting.

Option 1 – Remove CFF site from the Plan and tighten the boundary to be outside the Settlement Boundary. It is suggested this mirrors the boundary of CFF owned by Strete Estate provided by Mr Dixon. Duncan has advised that he will help us tighten the policy wording in the Plan especially SNP9: Principal Residence Requirement. Regulation 15 for this change is not expected to require an extended period for consultation and the current Examiner is expected to be able to conclude the examination process with minimum delay.

Option 2 – Identify another site for development. There might be one alternative site in the village that, in my opinion, could be considered. However, it was unknown if the owner would be willing to release the land for development and it would require more negotiations as well as Regulation 15 consultation and a new Examination.

RC reported that everyone supported Option 1. **Resolved: RC will recommend this to Duncan Smith who will follow it up with the examiner.** It may take around a month before some of the wording in the policies is amended to incorporate this new adjustment to the NP.

RF observed an agreed NP does weigh with planning decisions when these are made. RC suggested there is a risk that the developer makes plans which don’t fit in with the original intentions for that site when it was in the draft NP. RF observed it

would be difficult to advise what the approach would be at that point but that it was more likely to be developed if it was inside the NP than outside the NP. He also noted that with the situation within the AONB, a five-year land supply as well this as an exception site would be less likely to be looked on for development within the current policy framework. **The NP report was received.**

0720/10 UPDATE ON CONTRACTS

RC updated the meeting on the contract with Brookings to perform a sweep along the A379 and in the Village at the end of the month. Brookings are contractually obliged to perform another contract delayed due to the pandemic. So, they are unable to do the works they originally agreed to do for the village at the end of July. PH asked when the sweep was likely to take place now. RC thought this would be September.

RC also raised the issue of the SHDC road sweepers and the frequency of sweeping in the village. He also commented that the sweeper used by SHDC [or its contractor] was rather tiny for the task. RF replied that SHDC don't use the big sweepers now.

He said he would chase this up to get some action on road sweeping.

0720/11 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Reports had been circulated prior to the meeting.

KG (Chair) Playpark. Reported on in 0720/8.

LN Transport and Roads. There were a lot of cars parked last Sunday on the side of the road from Strete Gate going up the hill, this caused quite a bit of congestion and difficulties for cars passing both ways as it was not easy to see and the road basically became one lane width. The 3 milestones had been inspected and were all fine.

DR Health and Safety. DR met with Kevin Bowyer, the new Assistant Community Responder Officer, for South West Ambulance, where the Community Defibrillator was checked over. All relevant information and records were updated. A community training evening in the use of the defibrillator would be held back until it is known if Covid-19 reoccurs, and the implication of holding such events. This will be discussed again in September.

IC Rights of Way, tree warden and Strete Gate. Strete Gate. Rights of Way. The footpaths/bridle-ways were 'fairing' pretty well despite being busy. **Tree warden.** This had been discussed in 0720/4.

Strete Gate. IC noted that this had been covered by KG. He observed that the behaviour of a number of beach visitors had been bad and was likely to get worse as summer went on. **The parish has no powers to deal with bad behaviour. This resides with the police.** The replacement of the steps was taking some time as it was somewhere 'in the system'. There may well be a case for putting up a prominent new sign at Strete Gate, informing visitors that there is to be NO camping on the beach, as it is a S.S.S.I. However, it may do a small amount of 'good'.

GC picked up on the missing steps down at the beach which had been removed around 20 months ago. He commented on the dangerous aspects of the new access down to the beach via the bank or on the road and how messy the area was. The parish could do the work to reinstate the steps if they had permission to do so. **RF promised to go back to the officers and stress how dangerous the area is.** RF also mentioned he had got the car park wardens to clear the mess at the middle carpark and asked them to do this at Strete Gate as well.

KG asked how the parish council could make the new byelaws at Strete Gate stick. RF replied responsibility lay with the police and the carpark attendants, and Highways for the double parking. KG and LN referred to the tents, bonfires and noise on the beach. RF advised this is for the local authority and the police to deal with. He promised to get officers at SHDC onto matters and advised LN contact Ian Luscombe in Environmental Health at SHDC.

IC asked about portaloos on the toilet block. RF replied that unfortunately the portaloos would not be allowed on environmental grounds. The Environment Agency noted as this is in a SSSI the chemicals in the portaloos might damage the environment. However, he was keen to put toilets along the Line probably at the memorial car park.

RC Planning and Neighbourhood Plan. RC had nothing to add.

PH The VAS sign and local transport liaison. VAS Monitoring. Nothing to report. Operation continues. **Local transport liaison.** The summer bus timetable has been issued. There is an additional early morning No. 3 service on weekdays which is designed to get people to work in Plymouth from Dartmouth and Kingsbridge:

	First bus	Last bus
Dep. Dartmouth Pontoon	05.10	17.15
Dep. Strete Kings Arms	06.32	17.37
Arr. Plymouth Royal Parade	07.20	19.35
Dep Plymouth Royal Parade	06.25	17.45
Dep. Strete Kings Arms	08.22	19.11
Arr. Dartmouth Pontoon	08.51	19.35

On weekdays there are about ten around hourly services in each direction. Sundays have only two services each way, which start and finish in Kingsbridge, so there is no through service to Plymouth. The Park and Ride car parks at both Salcombe and

Dartmouth remain suspended. With more visitors there will be a lot of pressure on car parking spaces in Dartmouth town.

Parish Benches Nothing to report. Action is with IC to repair Old Hill seat and for DR to engage Phil Cruse to arrange for a quote for maintenance of the remainder, all as resolved at the June meeting.

The Kings Arms – renewal of the ACV. As discussed last month, the application has now been revised to include the car park and has been resubmitted to SHDC. We await developments. PH mentioned a **webinar at DCC on electric vehicle charging** circulated by the Clerk and he offered to attend.

GC Village Green The village field has been cut twice. We are no further on finding a planer and tractor to flatten Prideaux Lane. It may be necessary anyway to wait until the ground is softer in the autumn.

0720/12 CORRESPONDENCE

The majority of emails received continued to focus on the ongoing COVID-19 emergency.

0720/13 REPORTS

KG noted there may need to be a meeting in August and councillors would be notified. LN had nothing to comment. DR had met Phil Cruse to discuss works on the bus shelter and the benches as in the report by PH last month [0620/ 13]. Phil Cruse will provide a quote to do the works. IC had nothing more. RC mentioned his letter to SHDC on the interpretation by SHDC of the JLP policies in relation to two recent planning applications and the appropriate use of delegated powers to make the decisions. SHDC planners [Ms Stansbury] had replied to confirm the planning decisions made were in line with the JLP and that delegation had been correctly used. RC suggested we have a checklist of things to do when a planning application comes in. He also noted for the benefit of the parishioners for the application for 41 Start Bay Park JB had informed councillors precedent was not relevant.

PH asked about recruiting a new clerk. KG said a meeting in August could be convened to discuss this and she also explained how this recruitment took place last time.

GC referred to an email from a visitor sent to the Devon and Cornwall Police on problems at Strete Gate. This had been passed on to Strete Parish Council for information and action. After discussion it was decided that signage on the beach was clear so that visitors were aware there was a nudist section on the beach. The police had visited the beach incognito in the past but had not taken any action as it was not deemed necessary. The situation will be monitored and councillors do visit the beach daily. **It was resolved not to respond to the initial email at the moment but keep an eye on the overall situation at Strete Gate as outlined earlier in the meeting.**

RF suggested when the parish council submit reports on planning applications, to focus on particular polices in the JLP rather than write a screed in response to the consultation. He also observed that local knowledge is important with applications. Councillors asked for a copy of the JLP. RF said they weren't readily available in printed form but are on the website. RF offered some training on planning policy once things were back to normal.

0720/14 THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON EITHER THURSDAY 20th AUGUST or THURSDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2020 IF BUSINESS REQUIRES AND AT 7.00 PM ON ZOOM UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED.

THE MEETING WAS CLOSED at 8.10 p.m.

Signed: Cllr Kate Gill (Chair)

Dated: 20 AUGUST 2020



In fond memory of
Shirley Goldring

John and family would like to say thank you
for all the kind messages and cards after
the sad passing of Shirley.

It was wonderful to see so many people
outside the church at her funeral knowing
that she was loved by so many.

Her passing has left a dark hole in our lives
but we know that there is a bright new star
looking down on us from above.



The Probus Club of Stoke Fleming and District

Where friendliness matters above all else

To kick-off our newly arranged autumn programme and warmly welcome back our members to the club, a socially distanced lunch meeting will be held at 11.45am in the restaurant at the Stoke Lodge Hotel, Stoke Fleming on

Wednesday 23rd September 2020

The meeting will commence promptly at noon with an illustrated talk by Roger Avery entitled

The Natural History of Hedgerows



Following the talk, there will be a short comfort break. Drinks from the bar may be ordered at table, and then lunch will follow commencing at approx 1.15. We shall have exclusive use of the restaurant for the whole meeting. Further programme events for the autumn/winter session will be announced at this meeting

Members should please access the restaurant directly via the external staircase and door on the lower ground floor and avoid congregating upstairs in the hallway, bar or lounge.

The club is keen to attract new members and a warm welcome will be given to guests. If you would like to come along and be a guest please contact Graham Lewis, our Secretary, on 01803 712248

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THE SOUTH HAMS SOCIETY SEEKS A NEW CHAIR AND A NEW COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

CHAIR: Are you keen to help protect our area's natural assets and see its biodiversity increased? Perhaps you feel exasperated by inappropriate development?

We are seeking a dynamic new Chair to steer us through these challenging times. If you live in the South Hams and have relevant skills and experience – and 1-2 days per week to volunteer - we would love to hear from you.

For an informal chat, contact:

Didi Alayli, Vice Chair, at: southhamssociety@gmail.com

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We are looking for a Communications Officer, a voluntary (unpaid) role, to work with a small, friendly committee to handle our press and social media. In return you will have the opportunity to extend your experience and skills; we offer paid training where relevant. If you are interested and can offer 1-2 days per week of your time (flexible working), please get in touch.

For an initial chat, contact:

Cathy Koo, Trustee, at: cathykoo3@gmail.com

**APPLICATIONS FOR BOTH POSTS BY CV AND COVERING LETTER,
BY 14TH OCTOBER 2020**

c/o: southhamssociety@gmail.com

The South Hams Society, a registered charity, enjoys strong membership and is financially stable. Set up almost sixty years ago, it aims to stimulate interest in, and care for, the beauty, history and character of the South Hams and, in particular, the South Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. It works to encourage high standards of planning and architecture which are in keeping with the landscape and local building traditions, meet housing and employment needs and promote environmental sustainability. It actively lobbies the Local Planning Authority (SHDC) and others with influence on planning matters and offers impartial advice to others, including individual campaigns and residents groups. The Society also arranges a popular events programme.

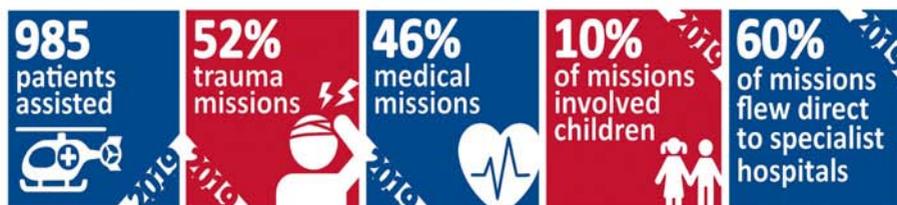
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Devon Air Ambulance needs a community of volunteers to keep our 19 charity shops open and our emergency helicopters flying. Could you spare an hour or two to help your local shop? We have a host of tasks which need to be completed to make our shops a success. From customer service on the till, sorting through our generous donations, steaming, tagging and creating some great window displays. You do not need to have any previous retail experience as we offer friendly support, training and encouragement.



So why not give volunteering a go? Feel free to call in to your local shop and say hello! Our shop manager will be pleased to arrange a trial session so that you can get a feel for all the tasks available and what might interest you.



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Did you know...? You don't have to sign up for regular volunteering with us - many of our volunteers help out at our main events and shows throughout the year as One-Off Event Volunteers. You can find information about events near you on our website and if you see anything that interests you just drop an email to our Volunteer Manager, g.gisborne@daat.org or call 01392 466666. We are always very grateful if you can spare the time to help save lives.

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HELP!

The Parish Hall is now OPEN, even though Government guidelines are changing all the time! A Covid-19 Risk Assessment has been carried out and recommendations put in place to ensure, as far as we can, that the hall provides a safe environment.

The hall has had a thorough clean from top to bottom and a few minor changes made regarding storage.



The Bryan Seymour Room

A new area has been formed called the **Bryan Seymour Room**. This will primarily be for the Bowls Club but can be hired out when a smaller space is needed. The hallway has had its first coat of paint to freshen it up - any volunteers to do the second coat? The main hall has had a really good spring clean. Does anyone have a floor polisher we could borrow or is there anyone out there who would come and polish the floor for us?

The Hall Committee would really appreciate help from people in the Parish with work in and outside the hall, ideas for events, ways of raising money - we are not making money, and obviously haven't for some months, but bills still have to be paid.

As well as these outgoings we have a major repair job to be done on the west end wall: you may have noticed two holes that have been cut into this wall to investigate what is causing the large cracks and bubbling of the paintwork. Scaffolding will go up soon for further investigations. Hopefully the remedial work will then begin. None of this is going to be cheap!

Update on the garden

This has taken a bit of a battering because of the wind and rain! However, work will continue especially as **THE WEEDS** are trying to take over again. If you have any spare time and would like to help, please contact one of us. We are usually there on a Monday and Thursday morning, weather permitting, from about 9.30, but cannot guarantee to be there every week. However, you would be very welcome to help whenever you can as long as you contact us first to find out what needs doing! Bring your own refreshments as when there we usually stop for a break and chat about 10.45. If anyone is feeling creative, or the children would like to have a go, a hedgehog and/or bee hotel would be wonderful additions to the proposed wild flower garden behind the hall. We also have some fencing that needs painting so if that is more to your liking, please join us: we have the paint and brushes so there's no excuse!



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The hall belongs to the people of the parish and we need the people of the parish to care for it! If you can help practically or you have ideas for raising money for the hall, please let us know.

We should love to hear from you.

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STRETE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF STRETE PARISH COUNCIL (PC) HELD ON ZOOM ON THURSDAY 20 August 2020 AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT

Cllr Kate Gill, Chairman (KG); Cllr Ralph Clark (RC); Cllr Louise Newman (LN); Cllr Ian Cumberlidge (IC); Cllr David Rothwell (DR); Cllr Graham Campbell (GC); Cllr Peter Hales (PH); Cllr Richard Foss, District Councillor, Allington & Strete Ward (RF); Mrs. Helen Darch (Clerk); three members of the public.

PUBLIC FORUM

Two members of the public attended to speak on the application **2394/20/TCA T1 Ash fell and remove. Tree is hollow, dangerous and dropping branches onto neighbouring property. Land at SX 839 468.** IC responded to questions on the health of the tree and whether he thought it suffered from Ash dieback. In his opinion, and after studying the tree, he didn't feel it was a victim of Ash dieback and had shown some healthy regrowth. However, he **could not warrant** that the tree would not fall down. South Hams District Council [SHDC] had not done a site visit and would not issue a preservation order [TPO] due to the report by Charles Dixon, the land agent for the Strete Estate, into the tree's condition. IC then suggested the residents who supported the tree being kept write to Charles Dixon and state a case

that the tree was a lovely visual break. The Strete Estate would then decide if the tree might be kept or felled. **Resolved: residents write to the land agent to argue for retention of the tree.**

Andy Edwards [AE] attended to represent the Strete Community Pub Limited [SCPL] a Community Benefit Society [CBS] which had FCA approval to issue shares. They wrote to the Parish Council to request we consider a grant and a possible loan toward the new pub venture at the Kings Arms. The SCPL submitted an account of costs to date on the preparation toward opening the pub in September. These costs included professional fees and registration of the CBS. A number of future costs due prior to opening had also been identified. In total just over £6,000 was itemised.

Resolved: the meeting to be closed for agenda item 4 if AE needed to respond to Councillor questions.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

RF said he thought he had said most of what is going on in his reports and emails. He had been involved with Strete Gate nearly every day chasing officers on the problems there. Action had been taken at Strete Gate which included ticketing overnight stays and moving campers off the land going up to Homelands. He had asked JB to bring Highways down to deal with road parking. People have been moved on. If land can be found a toilet will be put in the central carpark though it won't be on the east side of the road and there was little on the west side.

He also observed that SHDC had dealt with some of the problems but couldn't deal with all of them. There was a lot of discussion on how to go forward but it was complex and had been building up for a number of years. RF had been raising the problem over that time and now finally it has got really bad SHDC has woken up.

IC asked why the toilet block was taken down in the middle carpark originally. SHDC justified this on environmental grounds but the current state of the beach was equally disgusting. RF explained the septic tank had been uncovered by the sea and couldn't be replaced because of the SSSI designation. The block was fine but the waste disposal was a problem. As already noted, there is no land available to erect a permanent toilet block. RC wondered if some of the underspend on the £2.5m government grant given in 2018 to replace the road could be used toward the toilet. It remained there was still no site for the toilet. LN asked why portaloos couldn't be put in. RF explained that it would take considerable cleaning to keep them in a good state. **The report was received.**

0820/1 APOLOGIES – Cllr Julian Brazil, County Councillor, Kingsbridge (JB).

0820/2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 16 JULY 2020

The above minutes were AGREED as a true and correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

0820/3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Parish Councillors were invited to declare any unregistered or other interest, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting. **RC and DR declared an interest in item 4.**

0820/4 LETTER FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT FROM THE KINGS ARMS PUB WORKING GROUP

AE said he would receive questions. Councillors were then canvassed on their opinions. PH thought this was an important initiative toward giving the community vibrancy and for the future of the village. He had read the Clerk's note on the options available. He thought a grant could be made under s137 (*see below*) and a loan if that was of use. A fixed term loan to be repaid in say a year's time.

A number of Councillors noted that the Council needed to consider the whole community and whether they would support the pub. But they were in favour of supporting it. They also asked what would happen if a loan was made and the project failed. It wouldn't be repaid presumably. A general discussion took place on what terms would be relevant if a loan was advanced. **Resolved: The Clerk offered to speak with the Plunkett Foundation to get some ideas on structure and terms for a loan. She would then report back on this.**

PH asked about the other charity earmarked under s137. GC confirmed this was the CAB in Dartmouth (£50). KG suggested the matter be deferred to a later meeting after a closer study of the costs submitted by the SCPL. AE noted they had to secure all their finances in the next two to three weeks and get the pub ready to open by the end of September. KG then said the Council could offer £1,000 under s137. **Resolved: That the Council in accordance with its powers under section 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the area of its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with expenditure:- £1,000 toward the pre-opening expenses of the SCPL as detailed in their account of costs to date.**

0820/5 PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS

2394/20/TCA T1 Ash fell and remove. This was discussed in the Public Forum. IC had spoken with SHDC to ask for a deferral of the response date of 26th August. This would allow people more time to speak with the land agent. **Resolved: The Clerk to speak to Tracey Webb at SHDC about deferring the date.**

0820/6(a) FINANCE Two cheques were listed for payment and invoices sent to all Councillors before the meeting. An additional cheque, 1728, was added to the list of payments at the meeting.

1726 – Clerk salary July £249.	1727 - Clerk expenses April to July £100.66.
1728 – Greenspace June and July £407.60.	

It was proposed and AGREED by all present to authorise the payment as enumerated above.

0820/6(b) FINANCE

A monitoring report for 2020/21 had been circulated already along with a cashflow projection to the end of September 2020 of CR10,528.84. RC asked for £500 to be lodged toward the Neighbourhood Plan [NP]. He also pointed out the quotes received today for the benches and bus shelter superseded the existing lodgements of £500 each. **Resolved the monitoring statements would be put on the website. £500 to be lodged toward the NP.**

0820/6(c) FINANCE

Cash at bank – £9,616.92 CR Current account at 07/08/20, £10,297.48 CR Business Reserve account at 07/08/20.

0820/7 DISCUSSION OF PAPER ON PLANNING AND PERSONNEL MATTERS.

The report had been sent round before the meeting and is on the website under Councillors' reports.

GC took the paper. This paper had been drafted by GC, PH and RC. He noted the need to keep the Clerk from aggravation. The paper also looked at planning and general functioning of the Parish Council. He asked if there were any queries or disagreements with what was in the paper.

A number of Councillors expressed an opinion that planning should be handled by the whole team. In particular that site visits should be undertaken by as many Councillors as could attend. The circumstances of the pandemic had made site visits difficult to undertake but the need to see a planning application 'in the round' was recognised.

RC explained the idea of a dedicated team [PH, GC, RC] to manage planning applications from initial submission to final response to SHDC. The team would handle paperwork for applications. As part of this process, neighbours would be sent a letter which explained the planning process. The letter would invite them to a Council meeting to represent their views. It would contain resources [for instance links to Joint Local Plan [JLP] policies] and references [for instance a link to the SHDC website on planning applications] and the opportunity to investigate and make comments. This would also be on the village website. The team would then visit the site. After the site visit, they would do a report and make recommendations which would go to the full Parish Council for decision.

GC noted this was also with the intention the team would develop knowledge of planning policy and terminology to draft responses to the applications that were in the language used by planners. At the last meeting RF had stated the Council should refer to the JLP in drafting our response to any planning. RC noted the planners would take more notice of a response that referred to planning policy.

He added the PC had whittled down around 60 JLP policies to 20 [ish] that potentially apply to Strete.

RC suggested that Councillors put forward any amendments they required to the document but there was an application in train [Falloden] and he suggested the letter might be useful to put out to neighbours at this point. Maybe in the letter suggest people contact 'any of the Parish Councillors' rather than the three named in the draft.

Resolved: Councillors agreed on the paper and polices subject to any amendments fed back. So, a final draft of the planning paper would be circulated for comments before it was adopted. RC to send out a version of the letter for the application at Falloden. All Councillors to make site visits as necessary before the Council meeting.

PH reminded Councillors that a performance appraisal system for the Clerk was part of the review. His wife [a qualified HR assessor] was happy to consult with the Clerk.

Resolved: The Clerk would talk with Karen Hales.

The final part of this paper covered communication issues. **Resolved: a notice would be made up for the noticeboards and website with roles and responsibilities and photos of the Councillors. Also, the Clerk to get the draft minutes ready for the boards and website within ten days. Photos would be taken at the next meeting.**

0820/8 AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH HAMS DISTRICT COUNCIL TO MANAGE THE PLAYPARK AT STRETE.

The report had been sent round before the meeting.

The Clerk ran through the agreement dated 5th August. A number of comments were made about the contract. RC noted the insurance only covered the equipment and safety surfacing. Also, there was no remedies if SHDC doesn't perform. Councillors agreed the inspection arrangements were too vague in particular the timescale for SHDC to perform their obligations. Several observed there was no penalty against SHDC under the contract. IC was concerned that SHDC do pick up on strange things and he was concerned the PC could find itself out of contract in a fairly arbitrary way. KG agreed and said we weren't getting the proper report. IC felt we would look after it better ourselves. GC noted though if we do it ourselves, we would have a liability that we don't have at the moment. **Resolved: Clerk to respond to SHDC with comments as expressed.**

0820/9 CLERK'S REPORT

The report had been sent round before the meeting.

a. Samsung Galaxy tablet. Resolved: to write off the tablet. It was missing since the departure of the last Clerk.

b. Coronavirus updates and coming out of lockdown. The Clerk had consulted the Parish Hall chairman and the Parish Council may be able to meet in the Hall in

September under their guidance. A risk assessment has to be done for the Parish Council. We have the risk assessment for the Parish Hall already. We also have 'rules of play' done and the risk assessment will be done before September. **Resolved: Clerk update budget and send round for the next meeting for comment. The report was received.**

0820/10 UPDATES ON COVID-19

A number of reports include updates on the pandemic including the Chairman and the Clerk.

0820/11 CHAIR'S REPORT

This report was submitted prior to the meeting.

Chair's Report Strete Parish Council 20.08.20

Coronavirus –Boring though it may be - the advice as before still applies – RISK ASSESS – look around – STAY ALERT. After the bizarre behaviour of some of our visitors last month I was wrong in assuming that things would get better: it is still with us. The Memorial Car Park seemed to be fuller than ever and sadly visitors did not take into account that there were no public toilets. This has left us with some discussion today – on how to proceed.

Strete Gate and Slapton Line. The parking at Strete Gate gained momentum and volume. Larger quantities of motorhomes visited the Memorial Car Park and Strete Gate. SHDC did a night time visit to the Memorial Car Park and told them to move on. I understand that the next night they made a visit and ticketed those who were there again. On one of my journeys I counted 66 vehicles badly parked along the clearway: half and half on the shingle and the highway. The field was opened next to the car park at Strete Gate for which a fee was charged. Some people were so late returning to their cars that they were locked in. The beach gained some publicity as it was featured on BBC Spotlight. Not a good move in my opinion as it showed tents along an inviting stretch of beach.

Lisa Edmonds of DCC has had a request for free disabled spaces along the wall at Strete Gate. We have discussed this at length – we both agree that one space at the A379 end would be best, but considering the above traffic **mayhem - policing it might be problematic. She has put it on her 'HATOC' list for consideration next year.**

Play Park – is being enjoyed as usual. The grass is being cut regularly. Helen has kindly put up social distancing notices and has ordered a permanent change of contact notice. Thank you, Helen,

Kings Arms – The Community is gathering together - with social distancing in mind - to bring the King's Arms back to life. There will be an event held at the Kings Arms this weekend. Further info will be found on www.facebook.com/kingsarmsatstrete. Please support the effort by buying a share in the enterprise.

Policing – I am happy to report that I saw a Police patrol vehicle which checked out the situation at Strete Gate on Tuesday this week.

VJ Day – 15th August. The Beacon at Manor Farm was lit by Ian in celebration on last Saturday. It was socially distanced with mainly campers from on site in attendance. A verbal tribute was made by a camper. **Best wishes everyone - thank you for your help and support in these trying times. Stay safe.**

GC noted there are two tubes in the playpark which are potentially a hazard as children can shout into them and the risk is there is spit and other residue left behind. He felt these should be sealed. He suggested black plastic bag and gaffer tape to seal each end. **It was resolved these would be sealed up. The Chair's report was received.**

0820/12 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A report was submitted prior to the meeting. The full report is also be found on the 'Where are We Now' page within the Neighbourhood Plan section of the Parish website under 'August 2020 Neighbourhood Plan Update'.

NP Report for PC – August 2020

Following my email to the Examiner and Duncan Smith of SHDC on 17th July formally requesting that CFF site be withdrawn from the Neighbourhood Plan, I have had subsequent discussions with Duncan Smith regarding the way forward. As a result of removing the CFF there are three options for proceeding as follows: -

1. Remove the CFF site and leave the boundary as is
2. Remove the settlement boundary altogether.
3. Adjust the settlement boundary to take account of the removal of CFF.

If option 1) is chosen, the Plan can proceed to Referendum. If Options 2) or 3) are selected the Plan would need to return to pre-regulation 15, a choice made, the Plan amended to take account of that choice and Regulation 16 consultation period of 6 weeks carried out in advance of a re-examination of the Plan. It is considered that, in the light of this, that it would serve the residents of Strete best that the NP is withdrawn and full consideration is given to the options outlined above before resubmitting at Regulation 15 and seeking re-examination.

RC reported that seven responses from the Neighbourhood Plan Group had settled on Option 3. If this is acceptable then Option 3 will be put forward to the examiner who will be informed that Strete have decided to remove the plan from examination. A meeting will happen next Wednesday on skype between Duncan. Lee and RC to redraft the aspects of the plan which now exclude Coxes Farm Field. The plan needs to be resubmitted under Reg 15, then immediately to a six-week consultation period under regulation 16. SHDC handles this part of the process. The Parish puts up publicity for the consultation period. When that ends it will go back to

examination again. **It was resolved that Option 3 should be put forward to the Examiner.**

The objective is to start on the recommended amendments, new maps and policy wording with immediate effect. Zoom meetings are being planned with Duncan Smith and Lee Bray to liaise on the requirements and wording before returning to the NPG for approval. **The NP report was received.**

0820/13 REPORT INTO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS IN STRETE

A report was submitted prior to the meeting. The full report is on the website under Councillors' reports.

PH reported on a webinar he had attended organised jointly by the Transport division of the Energy Saving Trust (is a government-funded body) and Devon County Council on electric vehicles and local charging arrangements. The report outlined the growth in plug-in battery electric vehicles in the UK which stood at 7.2% of new cars at May 2020 up from 2.1% in 2019. Prices are falling and use will rise. Also, there is a developing second-hand market and the relative [to petrol] lower running costs of battery electric vehicles. There are also environmental air quality benefits.

Public charging will apply to those who have to street park, and visitors with battery vehicles.

In Devon provision of **public charging facilities** is low and concentrated on trunk roads and in major cities; funded by private industry. **There is little public charging availability in the local area.** Some towns have them but there is nothing in Dartmouth, nothing in Kingsbridge or in the villages in between. The nearest public charging point due west is Tesco Extra at Lee Mill. DCC's approach has been to enter into private partnerships to get public facilities installed in Council owned car parks in urban areas. DCC has no definite plan to spread facilities out to the rural Parishes. **So decision-making is up to Parish Councils. DCC is not interested in owning or operating charge points.**

Funding through the On-street Residential Charge point Scheme (ORCS) grant money gives 75% match funding, and Parishes in rural areas are being encouraged to identify and promote suitable sites. DCC will assist with support to collate data and promote grant applications for suitable sites. **The current grant allocation for the scheme ends in March 21.** It is not known what will replace this scheme after that date.

KG asked what the cost of the charging points would be. PH said it depends on the connection charge [Western Power [WPD]] though there are electricity boxes in the pub car park already. **The average cost of a new charger is about £4,000.** PH explained it could be a revenue generator whomever ran it eg the hall or the church. He proposed the Council consult with site owners over a suitable site for a public charger and any income, remitted to the site owner, would be collected through a credit card payment facility to use the charger. There are a variety of costs which

depend on who runs the plant and some are cheaper than others. WPD will have views about the practicality and connection costs of different sites, and PH could discuss this with them on behalf of the PC. **Resolved: PH will put together a survey for the next time a mailshot goes out. RC to pass on the information to Tim Fowler who advises on grants for the pub to see if we can get any grant funding for the charging points.**

0820/14 STRETE GATE

This had been initially discussed under the District Councillor report. Signage was needed to discourage overnight camping. SHDC parking wardens had visited the site on a few occasions to move campers on. However, KG informed all that the police can't move campers. The landowner [Strete Estate] through the agent Charles Dixon had been approached by SHDC to seek assistance and their views. They would need to be copied in/consulted on all decisions and correspondence. **The land is leased by SHDC from Strete Estate.**

Councillors discussed approaches which included the Parish Council keep onto SHDC as leaseholder for instance by passing on comments from the public, but also to acknowledge what RF had done. Publicity such as press might prompt the landowner into action. Another route might be to get a court order regarding a breach of byelaws.

Blackpool Sands was discussed and that they employed a warden after hours. IC observed that the access to Strete Gate was at multiple points and not through a single entry as at Blackpool Sands. GC said a warden needed to be on site to supervise the activity taking place for instance if people didn't have toilet facilities in their camper vans. This needs to be constant during the day. He felt this was SHDC's responsibility.

LN asked about music and whether the police would act. The Clerk said Environmental Health was the first point of contact and passed on some weblinks. GC felt the local police couldn't do anything but in a city they would attend. Parking was then discussed. GC stated the police can fine people for parking on the clearway if the person is there to have the notice served on them. It counts against licence points so the person must be served the notice.

IC informed all that the waste collection had been pretty prompt and they had worked weekends to clear away litter. He had thanked them when they turned up to do the clearing. GC asked if the two wheelie bins opposite the car park were public. KG informed him they were owned by the café. He established then that there were just two grey bins for the entire site. **Resolved: GC draft a letter/email to SHDC on the matter of litter etc at Strete Gate and circulate it to all for comment. The email would draw on that sent by Slapton Chairman recently to SHDC. KG will speak with Charles Dixon on this and copy him in on correspondence.**

0820/15 UPDATE ON CONTRACTS

RC informed all the revised dates for the road sweep were now 25th to 27th August. **People would be notified by leaflet on car windscreens on Monday night.**

0820/16 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Reports had been circulated prior to the meeting.

KG (Chair) Playpark. Reported on in 0820/8 and 0820/11.

LN Transport and Roads. The roads have been very busy. Giles Halliwell has been in touch with Lisa Edmonds as vehicles are still coming down his lane and getting stuck and then having difficulty getting out and one went into the wall at the edge of the road. Signage in this area has to be carefully considered.

DR Health and Safety. There is nothing to report on the defibrillator front. DR as snow warden had checked our salt supplies when the garage at the hall was being cleared out and sorted, and decided that there is no need to arrange for additional supplies to see us through this winter.

IC Rights of Way, tree warden and Strete Gate. Strete Gate. Rights of Way. Rights of Way have been trimmed/cut back to a degree and are being used thoroughly. As usual, not all dog-walkers/owners are as diligent about picking up "Doggies-Download" as others. Footpaths are being 'worn down' in places, and may need to be assessed in the late Autumn, when maybe the foot-traffic has eased a bit.

Tree Warden. The two trees in the "ex-pub garden" adjacent to the bus stop, were felled, as per requested permission. Plans to fell the Ash tree on the hedge below The Plat were discussed in the Public Forum.

Strete Gate. The usage of Strete Gate and surrounding area WILL be discussed at PC meeting on Thursday.

RC Planning and Neighbourhood Plan. RC had nothing to add.

PH The VAS sign and local transport liaison. VAS Monitoring. Nothing to report. Operation continues.

Local transport liaison. I issued a separate report regarding electric vehicles and public charging arrangements, following attendance at a DCC webinar on 22nd July. Otherwise nothing to report.

The Kings Arms – renewal of the ACV. The application for the ACV to be extended (including the car park) is still under consideration by SHDC. As noted already the Community Pub group has formed and has registered a community business name and intends to reopen the premises on a leased basis. SHDC has been kept up to date on the developments with the pub, and we should expect to hear the outcome shortly.

Parish Benches. Action is with IC to repair Old Hill seat. DR has obtained a quote

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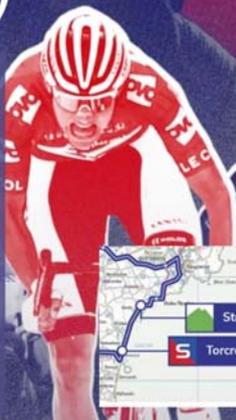


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The route will feature an intermediate Sprint, the first at Torcross as the route crosses the road along the narrow shingle bar that separates Slapton Ley from the sea.

ŠKODA King of the Mountains climb will be the first on the coast at Strete at the end of a two kilometre climb from Blackpool Sands.



The Tour of Britain will return to Devon in 2021, as Devon County Council and race organisers SweetSpot have confirmed that the county will host stage two of the UK's premier cycle race in 2021.

Land art competition

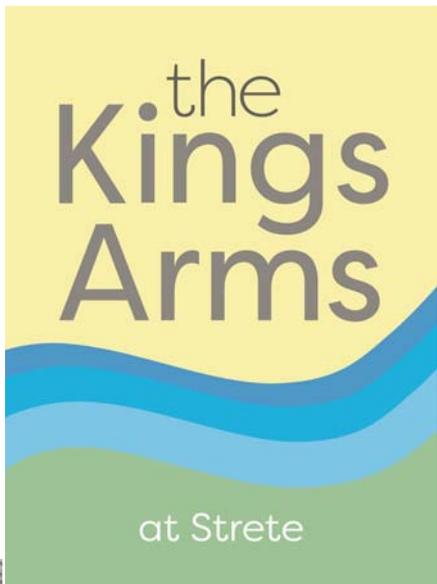
The tradition of creating land art masterpieces along the route has long been the practice at the Tour of Britain, as well as other cycle races around the world, but 2018 was the first time that we held a competition to find the best piece of land art. Communities, schools, clubs, businesses, land owners and farmers came together to install eye-catching creations in support of Britain's most prestigious international cycle race.

Because of the nature of the event, a rolling road closure will be enforced on each of the stages. This means that roads on and around the race route will be closed for a short period in which it takes the race to pass by – usually for approximately 15 to 20 minutes before the lead riders arrive – and is indicated by police escort vehicles.

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The Kings Arms Update

Amongst all the uncertainty of 2020, one thing is certain: the people of Strete love their village pub.

In August, a small army of volunteers set to tidying up the garden area at the Kings Arms to get it ready, and Covid compliant, for a Q&A with the Reopening Team. Gazebos were put up; cakes were baked and beer was sent by our new friends at the local breweries. We had a fantastic turnout, with each of the time-slots full. The garden looked great, the sun shone, music was played, and everyone had a good time.



A typical day in Strete. Around the middle of September, the Reopening Team was delighted to announce that the fundraising goal had been surpassed. Thank you to everyone who invested, a key milestone had been met.



That means that the team is now able to start doing all the things that need to be done to get the business off the ground and get the doors opened.

There is much to do. Some of this needs to be done before we open but it makes sense, in terms of managing both workload and costs, to stagger



Thanks to Claire Gillo Photography for the picture of the new windows.

some work beyond the opening date. The space itself is ready to go, and with the new windows across one wall, the view is superb but we will make some cosmetic changes to ensure the interior is warmer and cosier.

Beyond that, any major changes will be considered at a later date. Of course, we will need to introduce Covid related initiatives. These are being updated regularly but it looks like they will need to affect the way people move around the pub, the way people order and how they pay, amongst other things.

Once we take possession of the property, there are various inspections to be made and this may affect the exact opening date. By doing some work after we have opened, and with the support of our volunteer army (more volunteers welcome!), we hope to be open very soon. So by the time Stretewise hits the shelves, we hope to have a definitive opening date and we will make sure everyone knows about this.

Finally, we would like to introduce our chef/manager Craig Cowley. Craig was the chef/manager at The Waterman's Arms Hotel at Ashprington for a number of years and most recently was the Head Chef at The Cott Inn at Dartington. He completely gets what we are trying to achieve and what it means to be a community pub. He excels at the kind of affordable crowd-pleasing menu we plan to offer.

So, with a fair wind, we will all be able to soon raise a glass to our community pub, the Kings Arms.

Andy Edwards.

On behalf of The Kings Arms Reopening Team



Single-use Plastic

Single use plastics have been a common convenience since the 1950's, from the first general waste and Ziploc bags. It was revolutionary – easy to produce, light weight and extremely durable. However, it is this durability that is now causing issues with single-use plastics and their disposal around the world. They are used once but can last forever. 20 times more plastic is made and used today than it was 50 years ago, meaning that our plastic waste problem is only going to get worse. Most single-use plastics have easy swaps, so see what steps you can take to reduce your waste.

Shopping Bags

Carry a reusable bag or reuse plastic bags for life. A bag for life must be used at least 4 times (and then recycled) for it to be better than a single use bag. A cotton bag must be used 131 times due to impacts associated with cotton production. Even single-use biodegradable bags have been found to last over three years in the sea.



- Whatever bag type you use, use it as many times as possible
- Choose bags made from recyclable materials
- Avoid bags that have printing or decorations – these alone can add significantly to the environmental burden of the bag

Never allow a bag to become litter – recycle, reuse and repurpose your bags. i.e compost bin etc

New Service Spring 2021

In Spring 2021, we will be rolling out an improved recycling service allowing our residents to recycle more as part of their kerbside collection.

What will the New Service Look Like?

The new service will allow residents to recycle much more as part of their kerbside collection. As well as all the materials we currently collect, you'll be able to recycle things like:

- Glass bottles and jars
- A wider range of plastics
- Batteries

As well as this, recycling and food waste will be collected every week. Refuse will be picked up every fortnight in your grey bin, and garden waste will be picked up every fortnight in your brown bin. In preparation for our new, exciting recycling service coming early next year, we're making some changes to our collection rounds.

Affected properties should receive a letter, but you can check if your collection day is changing at www.southhams.gov.uk/findmycollectionday

School Term Dates 2020-21 Academic Year

	Mar-2020						
Monday		2	9	16	23	30	
Tuesday		3	10	17	24	31	
Wednesday		4	11	18	25		
Thursday		5	12	19	26		
Friday		6	13	20	27		
Saturday	1	7	14	21	28		
Sunday		8	15	22	29		

	Apr-2020						
		6	13	20	27		
		7	14	21	28		
	1	8	15	22	29		
	2	9	16	23	30		
	3	10	17	24			
	4	11	18	25			
	5	12	19	26			

	May-2020						
		4	11	18	25		
		5	12	19	26		
		6	13	20	27		
		7	14	21	28		
	1	8	15	22	29		
	2	9	16	23	30		
	3	10	17	24	31		

	Jun-2020						
Monday		1	8	15	22	29	
Tuesday		2	9	16	23	30	
Wednesday		3	10	17	24		
Thursday		4	11	18	25		
Friday		5	12	19	26		
Saturday		6	13	20	27		
Sunday		7	14	21	28		

	Jul-2020						
		6	13	20	27		
		7	14	21	28		
	1	8	15	22	29		
	2	9	16	23	30		
	3	10	17	24	31		
	4	11	18	25	1		
	5	12	19	26	2		

	Aug-2020						
		3	10	17	24	31	
		4	11	18	25		
		5	12	19	26		
		6	13	20	27		
		7	14	21	28		
	8	15	22	29			
	9	16	23	30			

	Sep-2020						
Monday		7	14	21	28		
Tuesday	1	8	15	22	29		
Wednesday	2	9	16	23	30		
Thursday	3	10	17	24			
Friday	4	11	18	25			
Saturday	5	12	19	26			
Sunday	6	13	20	27			

	Oct-2020						
		5	12	19	26		
		6	13	20	27		
		7	14	21	28		
	1	8	15	22	29		
	2	9	16	23	30		
	3	10	17	24	31		
	4	11	18	25	1		

	Nov-2020						
		2	9	16	23	30	
		3	10	17	24		
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		5	12	19	26		
		6	13	20	27		
	7	14	21	28			
	8	15	22	29			

	Dec-2020						
Monday		7	14	21	28		
Tuesday	1	8	15	22	29		
Wednesday	2	9	16	23	30		
Thursday	3	10	17	24	31		
Friday	4	11	18	25			
Saturday	5	12	19	26			
Sunday	6	13	20	27			

	Jan-2021						
		4	11	18	25		
		5	12	19	26		
		6	13	20	27		
		7	14	21	28		
	1	8	15	22	29		
	2	9	16	23	30		
	3	10	17	24	31		

	Feb-2021						
		1	8	15	22		
		2	9	16	23		
		3	10	17	24		
		4	11	18	25		
	5	12	19	26			
	6	13	20	27			
	7	14	21	28			



School Holidays	
Bank Holidays	8
Twilighted Training Days	1
Non-pupil days	4
Occasional days 26th and 27th July	2

3 Dartmouth towards Plymouth

MONDAYS to FRIDAYS, except Bank Holidays

Service No.	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Dartmouth Pontoon	0510	0615	0730	0730	0930	1030	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530	1715							
Dartmouth Academy													1540						
Stoke Fleming	0523	0628	0743	0743	0943	1043	1143	1243	1343	1443	1545	1728							
Blackpool Sands	0527	0632	0747	0747	0947	1047	1147	1247	1347	1447	1549	1732							
Strete Kings Arms	0532	0637	0752	0752	0952	1052	1152	1252	1352	1452	1554	1737							
Slapton Bridge	0539	0644	0759	0759	0959	1059	1159	1259	1359	1459	1561	1744							
Torcross Stores	0542	0647	0802	0802	1002	1102	1202	1302	1402	1502	1604	1744							
Carehouse Cross	0547	0652	0807	0807	1007	1107	1207	1307	1407	1507	1609	1752							
Chillington Post Office	0551	0656	0811	0811	1011	1111	1211	1311	1411	1511	1613	1756							
Frogmore Bridge	0555	0700	0815	0815	1015	1115	1215	1315	1415	1515	1617	1800							
West Charlerton Village Hall	0600	0705	0820	0820	1020	1120	1220	1320	1420	1520	1622	1805							
Kingsbridge Bus Station arr	0610	0715	0832	0832	1032	1132	1232	1332	1432	1532	1634	1818							
Kingsbridge College when open			0836	0836									1536						
Kingsbridge Bus Station dep	0615	0720	0840		0940	1040	1140	1240	1340	1440	1540	1645	1825	1940					
Churchtown Post Office	0623	0728	0848		0948	1048	1148	1248	1348	1448	1548	1653	1833	1948					
Aveton Gifford Post Office	0631	0736	0856		0956	1056	1156	1256	1356	1456	1556	1701	1841	1956					
Harraton Cross	0638	0743	0903		1003	1103	1203	1303	1403	1503	1603	1708	1848	2003					
Modbury Post Office	0643	0748	0908		1008	1108	1208	1308	1408	1508	1608	1713	1853	2008					
Yealinton Volunteer Inn	0654	0759	0919		1019	1119	1219	1319	1419	1519	1619	1724	1904	2019					
Brixton Post Office	0700	0805	0925		1025	1125	1225	1325	1425	1525	1625	1730	1910	2025					
Elburton Inn	0705	0810	0930		1030	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530	1630	1735	1915	2030					
Plymstock Broadway CoOp	0713	0821	0941		1035	1135	1235	1335	1435	1535	1635	1740	1920	2035					
Morley Arms	0713	0821	0941		1041	1141	1241	1341	1441	1541	1641	1746	1926	2041					
Plymouth Royal Parade A1	0720	0835	0953		1053	1153	1253	1353	1453	1553	1653	1758	1935	2050					

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SATURDAYS

Service No.	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Dartmouth Pontoon	0510	0730	0930	1030	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530	1715									
Stoke Fleming	0523	0743	0943	1043	1143	1243	1343	1443	1545	1728									
Blackpool Sands	0527	0747	0947	1047	1147	1247	1347	1447	1549	1732									
Strete Kings Arms	0532	0752	0952	1052	1152	1252	1352	1452	1554	1737									
Slapton Bridge	0539	0759	0959	1059	1159	1259	1359	1459	1561	1744									
Torcross Stores	0542	0802	1002	1202	1302	1402	1502	1604	1747										
Carehouse Cross	0547	0807	1007	1207	1307	1407	1507	1609	1752										
Chillington Post Office	0551	0811	1011	1211	1311	1411	1511	1613	1756										
Frogmore Bridge	0555	0815	1015	1215	1315	1415	1515	1617	1800										
West Charlerton Village Hall	0600	0820	1020	1220	1320	1420	1520	1622	1805										
Kingsbridge Bus Station arr	0610	0832	1032	1232	1332	1432	1532	1634	1818										
Kingsbridge Bus Station dep	0615	0840	1040	1240	1340	1440	1540	1645	1825	1940									
Churchtown Post Office	0623	0848	1048	1248	1348	1448	1548	1653	1833	1948									
Aveton Gifford Post Office	0631	0856	1056	1256	1356	1456	1556	1701	1841	1956									
Harraton Cross	0638	0903	1103	1303	1403	1503	1603	1708	1848	2003									
Modbury Post Office	0643	0908	1108	1308	1408	1508	1608	1713	1853	2008									
Yealinton Volunteer Inn	0654	0919	1119	1219	1319	1419	1519	1619	1724	1904	2019								
Brixton Post Office	0700	0925	1125	1225	1325	1425	1525	1625	1730	1910	2025								
Elburton Inn	0705	0930	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530	1630	1735	1915	2030								
Plymstock Broadway CoOp	0713	0935	1135	1235	1335	1435	1535	1635	1740	1920	2035								
Morley Arms	0713	0941	1141	1241	1341	1441	1541	1641	1746	1926	2041								
Plymouth Royal Parade A1	0720	0953	1153	1253	1353	1453	1553	1653	1758	1935	2050								

SUNDAYS AND BANK HOLIDAYS

Service No.

3

Dartmouth Pontoon

Stoke Fleming

Blackpool Sands

Strete Kings Arms

Slapton Bridge

Torcross Stores

Carehouse Cross

Chillington Post Office

Frogmore Bridge

West Charlerton Village Hall

Kingsbridge Bus Station arr

0915 1445

0927 1457

0932 1502

0937 1507

0944 1514

0946 1516

0951 1521

0954 1524

0958 1528

1004 1534

1010 1540



3 Plymouth towards Dartmouth

MONDAYS to FRIDAYS except Bank Holidays												
Service No.	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Plymouth	0625	0725	0900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1410				
Sugar Mill	0635	0735	0910	1010	1110	1210	1310	1420	1515	1615	1715	1815
Broadway East	0640	0740	0916	1016	1116	1216	1316	1426	1525	1625	1725	1825
Elburton Inn	0645	0745	0921	1021	1121	1221	1321	1431	1536	1636	1736	1836
Brixton Post Office	0651	0751	0927	1027	1127	1227	1327	1437	1542	1642	1742	1842
Yealmpton Post Office	0656	0756	0932	1032	1132	1232	1332	1442	1547	1647	1747	1847
Modbury Post Office	0706	0806	0943	1043	1143	1243	1343	1453	1558	1658	1758	1858
Harraton Cross	0711	0811	0948	1048	1148	1248	1348	1458	1603	1703	1803	1903
Aveton Gifford Post Office	0718	0818	0955	1055	1155	1255	1355	1505	1610	1710	1810	1910
Churchstow Post Office	0725	0825	1002	1102	1202	1402	1512		1617	1717	1817	1917
Kingsbridge Bus Station arr	0738	0837	1015	1115	1215	1315	1415	1525	1630	1730	1830	1930
Kingsbridge College when open									1530			
Kingsbridge Bus Station dep	0745	0850	1020	1120	1220	1320	1420	1535	1635	1735	1835	
West Charlton Village Hall	0751	0858	1038	1138	1238	1338	1438	1543	1643	1743	1843	
Frogmore Bridge	0757	0903	1033	1133	1233	1333	1433	1548	1648	1748	1848	
Chillington Post Office	0802	0907	1037	1137	1237	1337	1437	1552	1652	1752	1852	
Carehouse Cross	0808	0911	1041	1141	1241	1341	1441	1556	1656	1756	1856	
Torcross Stores	0813	0916	1046	1146	1246	1346	1446	1604	1701	1801	1901	
Slapton Turn	0815	0919	1049	1149	1249	1349	1449	1607	1704	1804	1904	
Strete Kings Arms	0822	0926	1056	1156	1256	1356	1456	1614	1614	1711	1811	1911
Blackpool Sands	0827	0931	1101	1201	1301	1401	1501	1619	1619	1716	1816	1916
Stoke Fleming	0832	0935	1105	1205	1305	1405	1505	1623	1623	1720	1820	1920
Dartmouth Academy	0836											
Dartmouth Pontoon	0851	0953	1123	1223	1323	1423	1523	1645	1645	1738	1838	1935

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SATURDAYS												
Service No.	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Plymouth	0625	0725	0900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1410	1515	1615	1715	1815
Sugar Mill	0635	0735	0910	1010	1110	1210	1310	1420	1523	1625	1725	1825
Broadway East	0640	0740	0916	1016	1116	1216	1316	1426	1531	1631	1731	1831
Elburton Inn	0645	0745	0921	1021	1121	1221	1321	1431	1536	1636	1736	1836
Brixton Post Office	0651	0751	0927	1027	1127	1227	1327	1437	1542	1642	1742	1842
Yealmpton Post Office	0656	0756	0932	1032	1132	1232	1332	1442	1547	1647	1747	1847
Modbury Post Office	0706	0806	0943	1043	1143	1243	1343	1453	1558	1658	1758	1858
Harraton Cross	0711	0811	0948	1048	1148	1248	1348	1458	1603	1703	1803	1903
Aveton Gifford Post Office	0718	0818	0955	1055	1155	1255	1355	1505	1610	1710	1810	1910
Churchstow Post Office	0725	0825	1002	1102	1202	1402	1512		1617	1717	1817	1917
Kingsbridge Bus Station arr	0738	0838	1015	1115	1215	1315	1415	1525	1630	1730	1830	1930
Kingsbridge Bus Station dep	0745	0850	1020	1120	1220	1320	1420	1535	1635	1735	1835	
West Charlton Village Hall	0751	0858	1038	1138	1238	1338	1438	1543	1643	1743	1843	
Frogmore Bridge	0757	0903	1033	1133	1233	1333	1433	1548	1648	1748	1848	
Chillington Post Office	0802	0907	1037	1137	1237	1337	1437	1552	1652	1752	1852	
Carehouse Cross	0808	0911	1041	1141	1241	1341	1441	1556	1656	1756	1856	
Torcross Stores	0813	0916	1046	1146	1246	1346	1446	1601	1701	1801	1901	
Slapton Turn	0815	0919	1049	1149	1249	1349	1449	1604	1704	1804	1904	
Strete Kings Arms	0822	0926	1056	1156	1256	1356	1456	1611	1711	1811	1911	
Blackpool Sands	0827	0931	1101	1201	1301	1401	1501	1616	1616	1711	1811	1911
Stoke Fleming	0832	0935	1105	1205	1305	1405	1505	1620	1620	1720	1820	1920
Dartmouth Pontoon	0849	0953	1123	1223	1323	1423	1523	1638	1638	1738	1838	1935

SUNDAYS AND BANK HOLIDAYS

Service No.

3 3 3
Kingsbridge Bus Station dep
West Charlton Village Hall
Frogmore Bridge
Chillington Post Office
Carehouse Cross
Torcross Stores
Slapton Turn
Strete Kings Arms
Blackpool Sands
Stoke Fleming
Dartmouth Pontoon



Stretewise Crossword - Answers

Across 1: Abacus 3: Eroded 8: Polar 9: Orifice 11: Vent 13: Alamo 14: Oxen
16: Nelson 18: Art 19: Cello 22: ETC 23: Scandal 24: Epitaph 25: Polite 26: Patron

Down 1: Angora 2: Antibacterial 4: Ripen 5: Dale 6: Darken 7: Devilfish
12: Tone 15: Ell 17: Ocean 18: Asleep 20: ledger 21: Oilcan

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