

The Clyst Chatter Summer 2023

'Like the news, but better'



Chairman's Report

Suzanne Hales

I hope you are enjoying the weather. The neighbourhood plan and the NDO are out for consultation. Mike Muir is getting around to each and every one of you to talk about it. If any of you can't get online, Mike (at the entrance to Ship Lane) and I (at Hairport Salon, 1, Clystlands) have paper copies you can borrow. Just call in and see us if you need a copy.



The Coronation picnic was a great success. We had a good turnout from all over the Parish.

The best cake, best hat and best decorated house competitions had a great response. Prizes and a Coronation medal were awarded to all the winners.

Thank you to everyone who helped on the day, stall holders for coming, and those who donated cakes and draw prizes. The Church was grateful for the money raised.

Also thank you to Martin at OCM for the music and PA system.

The notice board and slabs at the bottom of St Michaels Hill have been damaged **again** by vandalism. The Parish Council using your council tax money have spent a lot of money repairing this area. Please remind your children that this is where we all live and would like to keep it looking nice. A boy was seen pulling up the slabs and pulling off the handle on the notice board.

If we find out who that was the parents/carers will be getting the bill.

On a brighter note the Parish field play park is being used more and more and families do seem to be good at not leaving litter around. Have a lovely Summer.

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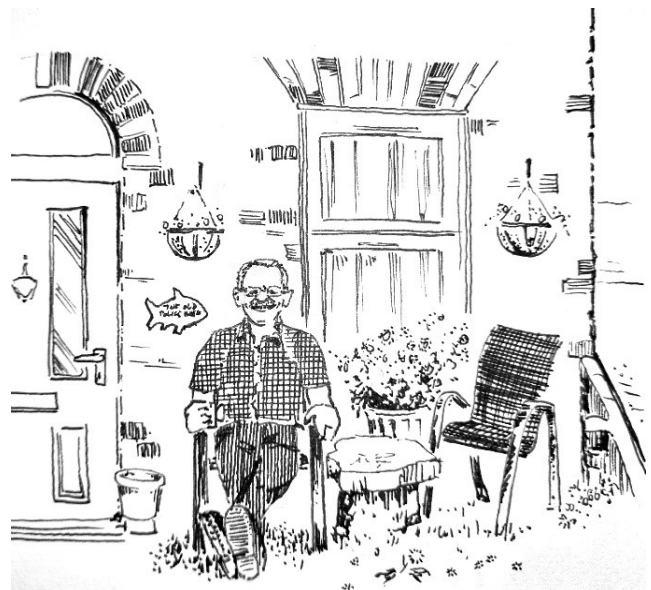
Village Maintenance

Mike Muir

The collapsing raised bed next to the bus shelter for the Duke of York has been replaced by Paul, Mike, Sean and myself. It did not take too long and has made a big difference to the appearance of that part of the village. Thanks again, Paul and Mike.

Anyone - feel free to take on the weeding, planting and watering.

We also had an excellent turn out for the grass-cutting at the church. Well done everyone. It was a big job and shows what can be done with enough people and equipment.



Chatter Camera



Clockwise: Winner of 'Best-decorated House', Mike judging the cakes, The Crown Competition, Helen showing off her medal. I got one of these. And I noticed a tubby labrador did too... so there.

Welcome to New Residents

Don't let the photos above put you off, we are normal (for round here). You are welcome to attend the Parish Council meetings which are either in the church or (in the colder months) at the Black Horse.

Previous editions of the Chatter are available on the Clyst Honiton website. These have details about work behind the Neighbourhood Plan and community building plans.

News from South of the A30

Janvrin Edbrook

District Heating Network:

I hope people responded to the East Devon District Council LDO for District Heating Network Consultation. This consultation was about revising maps to include the whole of the area to the south of the A30.

You may well ask, 'Why do we need a District Heating Network?', when most of us are not even networked to a sewage system. It is probably due to EDDC deciding the parish south of the A30 is the '*preferred option*' for a new town. It has nothing to do with who, or what, currently exists.

A warning about District Heating Networks:

- Talk to anyone who lives in Cranbrook as to the pitfalls of such a system.
- Even more important is the fact that the District Heating Network is not a zero-carbon provider. In fact, most of it is powered by fossil fuels.

The consultation closed on June 21st so there is little one can do now, but it is important to get involved in consultation processes.

On that note.....

The Clyst Honiton Neighbourhood Plan and Neighbourhood Development Order:

Are both presently out to consultation, so time to get informed and get involved before it is too late. **Closing date July 31st**

Both documents are the result of numerous community surveys and events where residents told us what they wanted, what was missing, and their concerns about developments that are fit for the future.

The documents were written by the community for the community. The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has guided and managed the process. The Group included members of the community and parish councillors.

The Neighbourhood Plan includes **29 planning policies** to be used when planning applications are assessed. There are:

- 3 on community facilities
- 9 on design issues including climate change issues.
- 4 on economic growth as well as 4 sites for new businesses.
- 4 on Housing with three sites being allocated.
- 4 on retaining, enhancing and creating the natural environment.
- 5 on parking and access (travel).

The NDO is a planning application for housing and economic units to enable a free community building and infrastructure which will be handed over to the Parish Council. Please check out the Bypass Site even if it is to know where it is!!! Good to check out what the Community Building offers you, you just might want to hire a space or drop into the café.

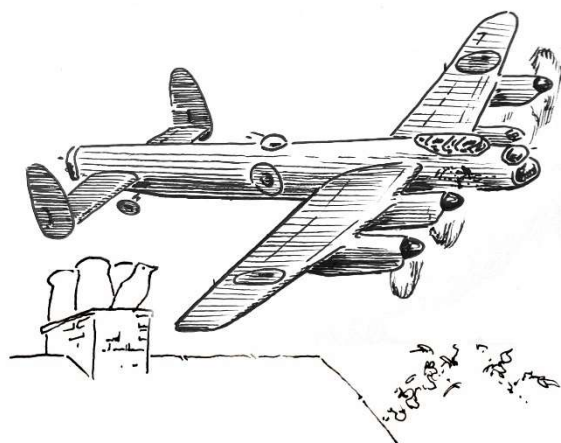
Janvrin and Mike will have been to every house in the area with a flyer and to help you with the documents and how to get involved.

Remember your feedback is essential: As it is a draft document we need to know if we have got it right. Information at www.clysthoniton.org.uk

While it is so hot and dry, leave water out for wildlife!



Clyst Clatter



The airport had an Avro Lancaster bomber land after an airshow on the 4th of June. I can recognise it by the noise – four Rolls Royce engines rumbling along. The original plan was for two larger engines, but they ran out of time in developing them and reverted to tried and tested smaller ones.

They were an easy target for the much faster German fighters, visibility for the gunners was poor, and the bomber's guns slow to aim making bombing missions

incredibly dangerous and many crews did not make it back.

Apparently, the RAF killed thousands of French civilians bombing France. Many more than the current death toll in Ukraine. (*Reading University- How many Frenchmen did you kill? British bombing policy towards France.*) Pretty shocking and not mentioned in the old black and white war movies from the 50's.

Edwin Starr had a point.

War, huh, yeah

What is it good for?

Absolutely nothing

Say it again, y'all

Otters!

Clyst Natural Watch

Gary Collier

As the Village got 'HOTTER', it enjoyed a rare 'OTTER'. A few weeks ago, I saw one of these beautiful animals trotting across the field behind my home, following the Clyst. I was privileged to see it traverse the whole field in morning sunshine. Staying quite close to the brook at the bottom of the field (with no cows around), it took about ten minutes to cross, stopping occasionally to sniff the area. Otters can travel several miles marking their territory.

This one is probably based in and around the Clyst where there have been sightings beyond the derelict mill.



Church Chatter

Sheila Watson (Church Secretary)

Thank you to everyone who donated raffle prizes and bought tickets at the Coronation Party in the Park. Along with the cake stall, over £300 was made – and even more important everyone had a great time on a lovely sunny day.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Quiz Night. It was a very close game and for the first time we needed a tie-breaker to decide the overall winners. Well done to Ann and Andy, Ning and Gra. The team at the other end of the score sheet was presented with tissues to wipe away the tears of disappointment.

Thank you to Maureen for hosting our weekly **Wednesday Coffee Mornings** (everyone welcome :10 -11 am) as well as the Quiz Night AND the monthly **Bingo sessions**, all of which help to pay the bills and keep your village church open.

A massive THANK YOU to all the marvellous people who joined Mike in the churchyard to cut down the jungle that had been hiding the gravestones. And **thank you** to Karen for helping us with social media that brought even larger numbers to help. An ongoing community effort to prevent the return of the waist-high wilderness would be wonderful now that the worst is over. Let's continue the community effort.



We hold a Harvest Celebration towards the end of September. This year we are holding a **scarecrow competition**. Would you be interested in making a scarecrow and displaying it so that others could venture on a scarecrow hunt for clues, and to vote for their favourite? Let us know by texting 07479 517607 or emailing sheila.m.watson@btinternet.com, telling Maureen at the Duke of York or Mike or even by pushing a note under the church door!

Future Events:

Bingo - Saturday July 1st; September 2nd and October 7th Duke of York 7pm.

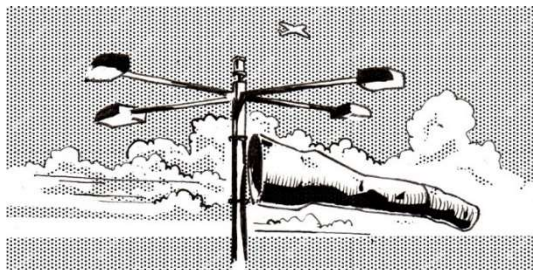
Coffee Morning in church – August 19th 11 o'clock

Harvest Celebration (bring and share supper) Sept. 23rd.Duke of York 7:30 pm

Harvest Communion in church – September 24th 10 am

Airport News

Staff at Exeter Airport have joined forces with RNIB (Royal National Institute of Blind People) to undertake specialist awareness sessions, aimed at better-assisting passengers with sight loss and reduced mobility.



RNIB worked with passenger services to devise the exercises to provide learning opportunities for staff at the airport.

Richard Shuker, South West Community Connections Manager for RNIB, said: "With nearly a quarter of a million people affected by sight loss in the South West, the importance of improving and enhancing the training for staff working in customer-facing roles is vital. We want people who are blind or partially sighted or have reduced mobility to have a dignified and seamless experience when travelling through the airport."

The RNIB initiative is part of Exeter Airport owner Regional & City Airports' ongoing commitment to making air travel more accessible and inclusive for all passengers.

Meeting with Simon Jupp MP

Earlier in the year, the layby near the Exeter Inn was getting pretty bad – abandoned diesel additive containers, food waste, bits of van, pizza boxes, energy drink cans etc. Many of us who reported it could not get anywhere with Street Scene, East Devon's street cleaning department, and so I asked Simon Jupp, MP for help. He contacted someone senior in the council and (after two attempts) it was tidied. It is, inevitably, getting messy again, but the Parish Council are very grateful for Simon taking the time to intervene in, what for Simon was a minor matter.

Simon met with the Parish Council two weeks ago and was briefed on the progress and plans for the community building that the current consultation is working towards. It is clear that Local Authority planning is inflexible, but we have explained the issues and Simon is going to do what he can to help keep things moving in the right direction.

Once again, thank you for this, Simon.

For those interested in keeping the place tidy:

eastdevon.gov.uk/environmental-maintenance/street-cleaning/request-street-cleaning/

Potholes:

devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/report-a-pothole/

Thanks

Thanks to all who have contributed to this issue and who have helped to distribute it. Our special thanks to Exeter Airport for the printing.

The next edition will be ready in October and all contributions should be received by **September 20th, 2023.**

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Parish Council Meetings

18th July 2023	Church Bell Tower
20th September 2023	The Black Horse
22nd November 2023	The Black Horse
20th December 2023	The Black Horse
16th January 2024	The Black Horse
20th March 2024	The Black Horse
17th April 2024	Church Bell Tower
15th May 2024	Church Bell Tower

Additional Planning Meetings may be called and advised on the Parish Notice Board and will be announced on the website **clysthoniton.org.uk**

We are spending your precept money so please come along and see what we are up to.

Next issue: Scarecrows

Now go and look at the consultation online – it is important!

<https://clysthoniton.org.uk/neighbourhood-plan>

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Keith's Wordsearch

Life's a beach!

Summer is well and truly here and even if you may not be heading off on a beach or seaside holiday, you probably have memories of childhood days at the seaside. Our wordsearch this time focuses on the seaside world (mainly the better side), but we should never be too complacent about the sea.



As usual, words run up, down, diagonally and in both directions. Letters may be used more than once. There are FOUR letters not used in the names listed and these tell you what affects the sea usually twice a day.

Beach ball *	Heat	Salt	Snack
Beachcomber	Holiday	Sandbank	Spade
Breakwater	Humid	Sandals	Starfish
Bucket	Ice cream	Sandcastle	Storm
Croak	Promenade	Scuba	Sun cream *
Flies	Resort	Sea Urchin *	Waves
Gull	Rock	Shark	

- Denotes two separate words

I	C	E	C	R	E	A	M	C	G	Y	B
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