

# Blackawton Beacon August 2022

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# **Blackawton Horticultural Show**



## Saturday 10th September

2.30 pm in the Village Hall

Refreshments

Raffle

**Sale of Produce** 

classes for vegetables, fruit, flowers, cooking, needlework and art special classes for children

#### Get your entries in soon!

An entry form is attached to this Beacon, more are available at the Community Shop. Please read it carefully as some changes have been made. There is something for everybody – you don't have to have green fingers – so have a look at the schedule and then get out your knitting needles, paints or camera. Completed forms must be submitted by **9.00 am** on **Wednesday 7th September**. Please take or deliver your entries to Laura Howell, Heyes, Main Street, Blackawton, TQ9 7BG.

## Prizes in every class!



We need to recover the various cups and trophies. We have contact information for a most of the trophy holders and will be in touch with you directly but please return any cups or trophies **before 1st September** to Heyes, Main Street (opposite the church) or 1, Castle Lane.



# St Michael's Church

## **Services for August**

Date	Time	Service
Tuesday 2nd August	2.00 pm	Funeral of Ronald Edmonds
Sunday 7th August	9.30 am	Holy Communion (by extension)
Sunday 14th August	9.30 am	Morning Worship
Sunday 21st August	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 28th August	9.30 am	Morning Worship

The services above are correct at time of going to press. Please see weekly pew sheet, gate notices or "A Church Near You" website for the latest information. We will also email any changes or additions to our mailing list – if you're not on our mailing list and would like to be, please send an email saying "subscribe" with "Blackawton Church News" as the subject to **chris.janman@gmail.com**.

Raffle prizes from Tony Everett

Thank you to everyone who donated such wonderful raffle prizes for the church fete. Your generosity is so appreciated. In addition we were blessed with incredible donations from the George Inn and also Nkuku. Thank you all so much.

Vicar's letter from Rev'd Alison Shaw

Dear friends,

#### Thank you.

Change can be hard and disconcerting but I hope these words can bring a sense of an important and continuing journey for us all; some thoughts, not originally mine, but words that truly resonate with me.

A Life that Matters

Ready or not, some day it will all come to an end.

There will be no more sunrises, no minutes, hours, or days.

All the things you collected, whether treasured or forgotten, will pass to someone else.

Your wealth, fame, and temporal power will shrivel to irrelevance.

It will not matter what you owned or what you were owed.

Your grudges, resentments, frustrations, and jealousies will finally disappear.

So, too, your hopes, ambitions, plans, and to-do lists will expire.

The wins and losses that once seemed so important will fade away.

It won't matter where you came from or what side of the tracks you lived on at the end.

It won't matter whether you were beautiful or brilliant.

Even your gender and skin color will be irrelevant.

So what will matter? How will the value of your days be measured?

What will matter is not what you bought but what you built; not what you got but what you gave.

What will matter is not your success but your significance.

What will matter is not what you learned but what you taught.

What will matter is every act of integrity, compassion, courage,

or sacrifice that enriched, empowered, or encouraged others to emulate your example.

What will matter is not your competence but your character.

What will matter is not how many people you knew but how many will feel a lasting loss when you're gone.

What will matter is not your memories but the memories of those who loved you.

What will matter is how long you will be remembered, by whom, and for what.

Living a life that matters doesn't happen by accident.

It's not a matter of circumstance but of choice.

Choose to live a life that matters.

Michael Josephson (2003)

I want to say a huge thank you to you all for the love and support – and from those who do – your prayers too – over the last 6 years. Thank you for your recent kind words, cards and gifts as my retirement comes ever closer. I shall miss you all very much. I've loved living amongst you and haven't we been through it over the Covid Years ... but we've done it together and the South Hams will always have a very special place in my heart.

Thank you for living lives that matter. Every blessing.

Reader's Corner from Peter Barker

Years ago a wise friend challenged me not to let the merely urgent jobs crowd out the really important. It's something I still find hard. It's easy to prioritize the things with imminent deadlines instead of what is actually the most important. August: the holiday month – well, the school holidays anyway. For many of us I imagine the month will bring visitors, the families and friends whom we welcome to enjoy our hospitality and with whom we share the delights of this beautiful location which their fresh eyes can help

us to appreciate all the more. Yes, there are the grandchildren – it's a precious joy to see them, but don't they leave us exhausted when they depart at the end of their holiday! Lots of jobs become urgent – merely urgent, remember! – but what is truly important for us in connection with their visit?

As I write this in mid-July, in the summer heat-wave, I've been thinking about the reading for Sunday's church service. Luke's gospel contains Jesus' story of the Good Samaritan (which certainly calls upon us to widen our ideas about hospitality) and Jesus' story of the man who wakes his friend in the middle of the night with a request to borrow food in order to be able to entertain some unexpected guests. Hospitality is undoubtedly important in Jesus' mind. But in between these 'parables' is an account of Jesus' visit to Martha and Mary in Bethany. Martha sweats her guts out cooking a really good meal for everyone – Jesus himself, all 12 disciples, and some others who've just dropped in – the essence of generous hospitality, surely? Martha feels that a bit of help from her sister would be welcome: quite right, surely? I mean, who wouldn't, in the circumstances? But Mary is sitting at Jesus' feet, hanging on his every word. So what does Jesus do? Apparently he criticizes not Mary (who has made the right choice), but Martha (who has become worried and distracted): poor Martha! So where does that leave generous hospitality?

The story teaches us, amid all the busyness and activities of our lives, not to lose sight of the point of it all. Spending time with guests and listening to them is an important and perhaps the central part of hospitality. Martha was so busy with all the jobs that she lost sight of the real point of having Jesus to stay. There is a time to stop doing, and to listen instead. Something to bear in mind if we ever feel 'overwhelmed' by all our visitors this summer.

Wishing you joy and peace.

#### Our church team

Vicar	Rev'd Alison Shaw	770868	Lay Readers	Frank Robinson	712249
Churchwardens	Kate Janman	712362		Lyn Robinson	712249
	Chris Janman	712362			

# Village Life

#### **Sustainable Blackawton**

from **Robin Mews** 

Many thanks to everyone contributing time and recycled materials for the creation of fine new homes for birds and other beasties of the parish Thanks to the school, teachers and assistants for making this possible and to our local district councillor Helen Reeve for approving necessary funds. Perhaps greatest thanks to all the children at school for putting in so much effort and making the whole enterprise such fun for everyone. It seems a very fitting way to commemorate the jubilee. There are now 13 new homes looking for hosts; two or three will be placed in the churchyard at the appropriate time, but that leaves plenty so please contact me if you would like one in your garden: **robin@blackawtoncommunity.com**.

We the Power from Claudia Benzies

The film, We the Power, was shown at Blackawton Village Hall in June and was introduced by Local Advisor and Mentor for Devon Community Energy Network, Sune Nightingale. It is a short but inspirational film and many who attended engaged in the discussion Sune led after each showing, wanting more information and a view to taking the next step. It seems that a number of people who were unable to attend would like Sustainable Blackawton to organise another showing. A date in September will be confirmed in the September issue of the Beacon.

We the Power website and documentary was launched in 2021 by Patagonia to spotlight the growing community energy movement across Europe. Community energy is a system of energy production in which groups of citizens produce their own renewable power and share the economic benefits among the local community. The campaign aims to demonstrate the advantages to people and the planet that this clean energy transformation could bring. It asks European citizens to imagine a new energy system, moving away from big, extractive-energy monopolies, controlling the systems of power and money, while exacerbating the climate crisis. In place of this outdated and damaging model is one of local, community-owned, renewable energy production, that is socially innovative and economically beneficial to local communities.

The 30-minute film, *We the Power*, directed by David Garrett Byars (award-winning director of the documentary *Public Trust*), features the stories of community energy pioneers. For more information go to **eu.patagonia.com/gb/en/wethepower**.

Blackawton WI from Sandra Tope

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we had to change our speaker this month, and so were treated to a cookery demonstration by Maureen Godfrey. She made a Salmon Terrine which was spread on Cheddar Cheese biscuits and a Ginger Log. Members were able to eat these with our coffee. They were delicious and I'm sure they will be recreated at various members' homes. The competition for a pretty plate, judged by Maureen, was won by Christine Bond, and this month's bloom was won by Emma Allen. Well done to them! Good to see lots of entries in both competitions, with members getting more competitive as the year goes on! Points are awarded for entering and (hopefully) being placed, with the winner at the end of the year being awarded the Doreen Tucker Rosebowl, and M&S vouchers. These will be handed out at our Christmas Lunch, so a few more months left to accumulate points. We don't have a proper meeting in August, instead we hold a Picnic at Hole Farm. We will keep our fingers crossed that the fine weather holds.

Details of clubs were announced, including our Knit and Natter. We have sent off a dozen knitted teddy bears for a charity in Leeds who support children from poorer households. Next we are knitting blankets for refugees from Ukraine. By the time this month's Beacon is published we will have been on our outing to Clarks Village, so hopefully some successful retail therapy will have been done!

Several members met in East Cornworthy last month to walk around the gardens that were opened as part of the NGS Open Gardens. Four huge gardens, with plenty to take inspiration from. On a very hot day, we were provided with refreshments as we wandered around. A very pleasant way to spend a Sunday afternoon with the sound of combines working away in the background.

We are more than Jam and Jerusalem, so if you would like to join us please give Christine a call on **712271** or Sandra on **712622**. We would love to hear from you.

#### **Blackawton Oil Barons**

from Adrian Kyte

Back in 2008 I started the oil buying group with 5 members and the price of 38 ppl, currently there are around 80 members with the price oscillating around 100 ppl. As you know, I no longer use oil myself but have carried on co-ordinating for the group, but over the last three buying rounds various problems have arisen with non-deliveries becoming common and difficulties getting in touch with our (up to now) preferred supplier, Watsons. I believe that Watsons has been taken over by another company but continue to trade under the old name and that it appears to be run out of Chippenham in Wiltshire rather than Totnes. As a result of these problems I have decided to stop co-ordinating for the group. If someone else wants to take it on I'll gladly hand over the details of those subscribers who give me permission and help with the next order round due at the start of September. Please contact me if you're prepared to take on the group; it involved 2 to 3 hours work every 3 months.

If no one takes it on there is the alternative of the 'Devon Oil Collective' which has the advantage that you can order every month rather than quarterly with the group. To join the Devon Oil Collective use the contact details below, there are no upfront fees or charges but they get the very best price available and they apply a 1 ppl surcharge to cover their costs and you pay them via direct debit rather than the oil company. It is important to note you can ONLY place an order with AF Affinity in Devon once you have registered to be a member of the Devon Oil Collective. To join the Devon Oil Collective go to www.devoncommunities.org.uk/about/membership/join-devon-oil-collective. Once you are a member of the Devon Oil Collective you can place your orders directly with AF Affinity, by emailing devonbuying@af-affinity.co.uk or calling 01603 881888.



## **Henry Richards' Dog Walking Service**

Tel: **07562 321233** or enquire at The Old Shop, Ruby House for rates and times. Blackawton village only (free for short-term unplanned emergency needs)



## **Mobile Library**

from **Heidi McCoy**, Libraries Unlimited

New mobile library vehicle

Libraries Unlimited bought the vehicle with the help of Devon County Council and launched a successful fundraising campaign to refurbish it. Now the mobile library will make 80 stops around the South Hams and West Devon each week, joining the four others in the Libraries Unlimited fleet.

Mobile libraries were always important, but the pandemic has shown how vital a connection they are to so many people. The library connects small villages and hamlets across the South Hams, skirts around Plymouth, travels across Dartmoor into West Devon and makes two stops in Teignbridge too.

The new mobile library has replaced a much-loved vehicle nicknamed Gertie, following many thousands of miles service in the area. Last year customers borrowed over 11,300 books from Gertie. The replacement vehicle is only six years old and was bought second hand with a £15,000 grant from Devon County Council.

For further information and full contact details please visit our web page **librariesunlimited.org.uk**.

The next visit to Blackawton will be on **Tuesday 16th August** at 11.55 am, at the bus shelter.

## **West Dart Community Bus**



Whatever your age, enjoy **free travel** on the West Dart Bus to Dartmouth, Totnes and Newton Abbot. Save on fuel and parking, sit back and enjoy the ride. Great views, meet people and help save the planet!

Timetable for August:

Friday 12th August Dartmouth via Dittisham Friday 26th August Dartmouth via Dittisham

Wednesday 31st August Totnes and Newton Abbot via Dittisham

Departing from Blackawton Bus Shelter at 9.30 am and arriving back at approximately 1.00 pm. We can pick up passengers living elsewhere in the Parish. Booking is **essential** at least **24 hours** prior to the service. For bookings or further information email **info@ringandride.net** or call **01752 690444**.

Our community bus is available for hire (prices from £55 + fuel + driver). Call **01752 690444** or email **info@ringandride.net** for details. Maybe you have ideas for local trips especially during the holidays? Speak to **Claudia 07849 141455** (leave a message).

There are opportunities for bus driver training coming up. If you might be interested, please contact Chris Varker, **ivybridgestvc@gmail.com**.

# **Community Shop**

from Kate Purver

Shop opening times:

Monday to Friday 8.30 am – 5.00 pm

Saturday 9.00 am - 1.00 pm afternoon: closed Sunday 10.00 am - 12.00 noon afternoon: closed

**Post Office** 

Monday to Saturday 9.00 am − 1.00 pm

Telephone number 712157. Email blackawtonshop@gmail.com

## August's Wine of the Month

Los Pastos Rosé Merlot, Chile. £6.

This lovely rosé is brilliant and lively, with a rich strawberry colour. It has a dry lingering palate with flavours of pomegranate, grapefruit and berry fruits. Enjoy on its own chilled. Great with fish dishes, Mexican tacos or Thai-style dishes such as stir-fries.



### Your Community Shop celebrates its 10th birthday

In September, to coincide with the AGM of the Community Shop Association, we will be having a celebration in the Village Hall – food, drink and general jollity! Provisionally set for **Tuesday 27th September** – save the date!

## Community benefit and membership; supporting the community

Things are looking tight for everyone at the moment and the shop is no exception. We're continuing to develop our value range (look out for the yellow stickers), mindful of cost-of-living pressures. Meanwhile the continuing support from all our customers is, as ever, what allows the shop to keep going as a community resource.

Having made some profit in the last financial year, however, we plan to set aside a sum of money out of that year's profits to be put towards other community organisations' projects which may need funding. This will be discussed - including the nature of projects which we could donate to - and confirmed at our AGM in September. All are welcome to come to the AGM, although voting on any decisions made is limited to members of the Association - that is, those who hold at least one share in the shop.

If you're not currently a member, you can become one by buying a single share for £10. (This doesn't commit you to anything!) Many of our members got involved 10 years ago when the shop first came into being, buying shares in order to help finance its setting up. While we don't currently have that need to fundraise, we'd like to expand the Association's membership beyond this core of people, and in particular to bring in people who have more recently moved to the village. For more info, please email the shop at the address above - or come to the AGM. We'd love to have you on board!

# Village Hall

from Laura Howell

#### **Blackawton Horticultural Show**

will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 10th September at 2.30 pm. See front page for details.

#### August events at the Village Hall

Keep Fit Class with Antonia Bastin (tonibastin@live.co.uk or 07943 966988)

Wednesday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st, 6.00 - 7.00 pm.

There are no other meetings or weekly classes in August.

#### Booking the Village Hall

The best way to check availability and make a provisional booking of the Village Hall is to use the interactive calendar at the bottom of the page on the community website; the address is **blackawtoncommunity.com/community-page/blackawton-village-hall**. This page also gives an overview of our facilities as well as a link to the Conditions of Hire. All bookings require a security deposit.

If you don't have internet access, please phone 07968 314653.

Village Hall **furniture**, **glasses**, **crockery and cutlery** hire: details of what is available are on the hall website. Requests should be made to **villagehall@blackawtoncommunity.com**.

# **Parish Council**

## The Thoughts of Chairman Rake

from Simon Rake

## A (short) walk on the (slightly) wild side

Having spent most of last month's Thoughts encouraging people to be nasty to plants (well, a particular plant), I thought I should try to redeem myself a little this time around. We are now a year or so into the new approach to managing the cemetery and churchyard. Just in case you haven't been following these Thoughts with rapt attention (tsk, tsk) this means that in both areas we are trying to keep some parts tidy and let the rest return to a wilder, more natural state. From the outset we knew that this would be a lengthy process — it takes time for new plant species to establish themselves by their own means — but already we are seeing encouraging signs. New plants are flourishing in certain areas, with pollinators such as bees and butterflies and sundry other critters following in their wake. Under the new management regime we will be making the late summer cut fairly soon. If you haven't already done so, you might want to have a wander through the churchyard or cemetery to see what you can see.

As always, we are keeping this change under review. In essence we have three possible pathways: following the current cutting schedule and letting nature look after the introduction (or removal) of different species; hurrying things along by sowing wildflower seeds ourselves over the autumn and winter; or reverting to the previous management regime of regular cutting of the whole area. At the moment I think we are tending towards a bit of a mix between the first two. We will probably sow yellow rattle in both areas this winter. This handy little plant is not only attractive in its own right, but is also semi-parasitic on grasses, so it helps reduce the vigour of grass growth, allowing other flowers more room and resources to grow.

This month's Thoughts were inspired by feedback from a parishioner who praised the churchyard as 'humming with life'. Obviously it is gratifying to hear that our efforts are appreciated by some, but we welcome any and all feedback – it really does help us work out which direction to go in next.

#### **Blackawton Parish Council meeting**

from **Annette Thom**, Parish Clerk

Notes of the Monthly Meeting of Blackawton Parish Council held on Tuesday 5th July 2022 at 7.30 pm in Blackawton Village Hall. Complete minutes can be read at www.blackawtoncommunity.com or the parish noticeboard.

Present: Councillors Rake (Chair), Mewes (Vice-Chair), Coe, Mallyon, Oughton, and Thomas were present, as were South Hams District Councillor Reeve, Devon County Councillor Brazil for his report, and A Thom (Clerk). There was one member of the public. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Curry.

#### **Open Forum**

Planning Application 1785/22/FUL The Old Dairy, North Millcombe Farm, Blackawton Devon TQ9 7AE. A member of the public described the application and the reason for it.

#### **Review of New Planning Applications**

1785/22/FUL The Old Dairy, North Millcombe Farm Blackawton Devon TQ9 7AE. Demolition of an existing agricultural building & construction of a replacement dwelling following Class Q approval 2462/19/PDM & associated landscaping. This item was moved forward on the Agenda at the Chair's discretion. It was resolved to **support** the application.

#### **Declarations of Interest**

None declared.

#### **Report from South Hams District Council Councillor**

SHDC Cllr Reeve reported that Follaton Officers are gradually returning to work on-site. The Reception is not open and won't be reopening. SHDC can be contacted by phone and email.

There are still problems with Waste removal. News is expected soon.

There is a big planning meeting tomorrow to make a decision about a proposal to build an Aldi in Ivybridge. In the French Furze Business Units, the exterior lights are all being changed. The issues raised with floor finish are being followed up. They are gradually getting through snagging. Cllr Reeve thinks that the fencing will be tidied up. There is a meeting with the groundworks supervisor next week to review the dip in the MUGA. The developer has refused to pay to remove the unwanted steps towards the School. Cllrs said that for transfer to BPC to be considered the MUGA needs to be level and built to safety and that there is rubble behind business units to be removed. SHDC needs to be satisfied that the terms of the S106 have been met. A report would be needed from the developer on the fixing of the MUGA. It was agreed that Cllr Rake would write to the developer.

Cllr Reeve reported that the installation of the new waste bin requested by BPC at French Furze is pending.

#### **Report from Devon County Council Councillor**

Devon County Councillor Brazil reported that a DCC Officer will do a safety audit of the proposal for reduction or removal of street lighting in Blackawton. They will assess whether the change would cause a risk. They will then set parameters which are acceptable to DCC, which BPC will then be able to consult residents about. DCC has a new database which can create bespoke lighting, for example bespoke times to switch lights off. LED lighting is being rolled out by DCC. LED rollout in Blackawton will be deferred until the consultation has been completed in case they would need to be removed.

Blackawton is not included on the project to reduce speed limits to 20 mph. Only four locations were chosen. Cllr Brazil has asked how DCC will roll it out more widely and said that it needs a core budget and a rolling program.

DCC has serious budget overspend problems. There is a £30 million overspend. There is an £85-£86 million deficit in the Dedicated School Grant, which will be £117 million by the end of 22/23. That spend is mainly on Special Educational Needs.

Strete Gate Car Park is being considered as the relocation site for the Monument.

The Slapton Line Adaptation Manager has left. There is a lack of unity amongst elected councillors regarding adaptation to the loss of the road versus retaining the road. Additional funding for retention would need to come from Treasury. The MP is in favour of retention.

The Blackawton speed survey has been done. It has been decided by DCC Officers that no further action or intervention is required.

#### **Planning Applications**

SHDC Planning Decisions.

1103/22/FUL Hutcherleigh Turn Blackawton Totnes. Agricultural building for storage. **Conditional Approval**.

1315/22/HHO Woodfin Cottage Blackawton TQ9 7BW. Householder application for proposed landscaping works to garden, new and altered windows to main dwelling and internal alterations. **Conditional Approval**.

Review of New Applications.

1709/22/FUL Watsons Farm Blackawton TQ9 7AZ. Construction of new dwelling (in lieu of application 1747/21/PDM which provides prior approval for the change of use of the agricultural building to 3no. dwellings). It was resolved to **Support** the application.

2120/22/COM Wadstray Top Middle Wadstray Farm Blackawton Totnes TQ9 7DD. For information. No statutory consultation requirement. Notice of Intent to Install Electronic Communication Apparatus comprising three Antennas, three RRH's and one GPS Node and associated ancillary equipment on the existing tower.

#### **Relocation Site for the Monument - Slapton War Memorial**

BPC has been asked to think about finding an alternative relocation site for the Monument. The Clerk was asked to respond that BPC agrees to please keep all channels open, BPC will be pleased to review proposals, and to ask if there is anything it can do to help. Cllr Thomas will write to ask if the Torcross end of Slapton line near the tank has been considered.

#### **Management of Blackawton Trees**

BPC discussed the management of the ash in the St Michael's churchyard. The tree has progressive ash dieback. It was agreed to make arrangements to remove the tree. The proposed replacement tree is a rowan. It was resolved that the Clerk is delegated responsibility to choose the removal contractor in consultation with the Chair. Quotes will be circulated to all councillors prior to a decision being made. BPC will ask for logs to be left stacked safely for residents to remove for firewood. An application will be made to SHDC for removal of the tree, which is in a Conservation Area; initially an exemption application, and if that is not possible a standard application.

#### Proposal to Use Village Halls to Create a Network of Outposts for Police Officers

BPC considered the questions in the letter from Anthony Mangnall MP about a building to be used within the Parish. The letter has been referred to the Village Hall, which was advised by the MP's staff that the Hall doesn't have the facilities they require.

#### **Finance**

Update on Current Financial Position. To reports which showed total funds of £57,512.74, earmarked reserves of £42,796.84, and general funds of £14,715.90 were received.

Payments & Receipts. The following payments were approved:

**ARCCAS Grounds Maintenance:** 

 $4/5/22 \& 18/5/22 \text{ Churchyard Frequent} \\ 4/5/22 \& 18/5/22 \text{ Cemetery Frequent Yellow \& Blue} \\ 4/5/22 \& 18/5/22 \text{ Cemetery Frequent Yellow \& Blue} \\ 4/5/22 \& 18/5/22 \text{ Cemetery Frequent Yellow & Blue} \\ 4/5/22 \& 18/5/22 \text{ C$ 

It was noted that the pension payment due in June failed during the payment account change and will be paid late, in July.

The following receipt was noted:

SHDC, Habitat Homes Grant £500.00

#### **Habitat Homes Grant**

It was resolved to pay invoices of £239.14 for supplies, £250 to A Gaisford (for three days of workshops), and to pass the balance of the grant of £10.86 to the Forest School, or to South Hams Citizens Advice if there is no power to make the former transfer.

#### Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted:

- Invitation Dartmouth Academy/Reach Programme 12 July 2022, 11am 4pm
- 28/6/22 Response received from SWW with further details about 'spills' into the Gara. Cllr Mewes will write to SWW again, about the high number of reported spills.
- 24/6/22 Blackawton Primary School Forest School, sent thanks and a report and photos of a brilliant start to the habitat homes project.
- 22/6/22 St Michael's PCC updated by BPC regarding memorial safety inspection by BPC.
- 21/6/22 BPFC contacted BPC about adding tennis court membership & booking to the community website. This was done.

• 14/6/22 Request to cut back trees in the playground. This was forwarded by BPC to BPFC.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Tuesday 6th September 2022** at 7.30 pm. You are most welcome to join the meeting and to raise any issues which may be of concern to you.

#### **Council contacts**

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or online at www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/your-area/teams/Dartmouth/Contact

South Hams Cllr Helen Reeve 01548 821306 Cllr.Helen.Reeve@southhams.gov.uk South Hams District Council 861234 customer.services@southhams.gov.uk

SHDC emergency out of hours 867034

Devon County Cllr Julian Brazil 01548 511109 or julian.brazil@devon.gov.uk

07970 971140

Devon County Council 0845 155 1015 or customer@devon.gov.uk

0345 155 1015

There are **Report It** buttons on www.blackawtoncommunity.com to report problems to DCC (eg. highway issues such as potholes and flooding) and SHDC (eg. planning enforcement, missed waste collection, fly tipping, and abandoned vehicles).

# from the Editor

Please send your Beacon contributions by email to **beacon@blackawtoncommunity.com**. Contributions on paper can be dropped off at the Community Shop or at 1 The Cross, Park Lane. The deadline for the September edition is **Monday 22nd August**.

If you would like to make a donation, please put **Beacon** on the outside of the envelope and drop it off at the Shop, or put it in the Church's donation box beside the visitors book. Please note that cheques must be payable to **Blackawton Parish Church**. Thank you.

# the Wider Community

## The Probus Club of Stoke Fleming & District

from John Light

#### Where friendliness matters above all else

There will be a break during August. Our next meetings will be in September as follow:

September 14th Lunch Phil Evans The Desert War 1940-43 September 28th Coffee Earl Connolly A Train Journey in Miniature

Why not be our guest? Our Club is keen to attract new members. Come and join us and receive a warm welcome from our members.

For more information please contact John Light on **834861** or email **johnlight1@gmail.com**. Or you can visit our website at **www.stokeflemingprobus.wixsite.com/stokeflemingprobus**.

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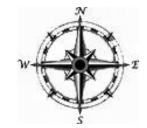
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## August 2022

Wednesday 3rd	6.00 pm	Keep Fit Class	Village Hall
Wednesday 10th	6.00 pm	Keep Fit Class	Village Hall
Friday 12th	9.30 am	West Dart Bus to Dartmouth	Bus shelter
Tuesday 16th	11.55 am	Mobile library	Bus shelter
Wednesday 17th	6.00 pm	Keep Fit Class	Village Hall
Monday 22nd		Deadline for September Beacon	
Wednesday 24th	6.00 pm	Keep Fit Class	Village Hall
Friday 26th	9.30 am	West Dart Bus to Dartmouth	Bus shelter
Wednesday 31st	9.30 am	West Dart Bus to Totnes and Newton Abbot	Bus shelter
	6.00 pm	Keep Fit Class	Village Hall

## September 2022

Tuesday 6th	7.30 pm	Blackawton Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall
Saturday 10th		Blackawton Horticultural Show	Village Hall
Tuesday 27th		Community Shop Association AGM and 10th birthday celebration	Village Hall