



# Blackawton Beacon

## October 2019

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## St Michael's Church

### Services for October

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Service</i>
Wednesday 2nd October	7.30 pm	Harvest Festival and Supper
Sunday 6th October	9.30 am	Family Communion
Friday 11th October	pm	School Harvest Festival
Sunday 13th October	8.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion Evensong
Sunday 20th October	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 27th October	9.30 am	Morning Worship

### Harvest Festival

The church will be decorated for Harvest on the morning of Wednesday 2nd October. **All volunteers and donations of produce are welcome.** The produce will be donated to the school which will sell it after their Harvest, proceeds going to their charity of choice.

### From the registers

Thursday 5th September	Celebration of the life of Fiona Kyte
Thursday 19th September	Funeral of Marion Edmonds
Saturday 21st September	Wedding of Jeremy Kenyon and Jodie Gambrell
Tuesday 24th September	Funeral of Steve Mault

### Reader's Ramblings

from **Lyn Robinson**

Today we find ourselves in the small village of Mansel Lacey in Herefordshire, a little time to pause, how lovely. The trees surrounding our little holiday home are dripping with apples and raindrops. An ideal moment to write my Ramblings!

There are many villages around with old black and white buildings having a strong sense of continuity with the past, farmlands and apple and pear trees everywhere. Our villages too have a strong sense of continuity with past, with fields ripe for harvest. To my knowledge we have always been blessed with a harvest and we celebrate this with the village Harvest Festivals in our churches. We may not have as many orchards as Herefordshire but our trees and produce have given a wonderful crop.

As we passed through a little village called Orcop with a tiny 13th century church, we read that there used to be 4 bells each representing one word: OH GOD HELP US. A story surrounding this saying was that a farmer used to walk 12 miles into town each week. If asked where he came from he replied on bad days "Orcop, God help us" and on good days "Orcop, God bless us". So as our bells ring out to celebrate God's goodness may we not feel like saying "Blackawton, God help us" but "Blackawton, God bless us".

## Our church team

Vicar Rev'd Alison Shaw 770868  
Churchwarden Kate Janman 712362

Lay Readers Sally Green 712438  
Frank Robinson 712249  
Lyn Robinson 712249

# Village Life

## Regular lift still needed

from **Carey Burton**

**Does anyone work in Newton Abbot or thereabouts?  
Or regularly visit there?**

Henry is still looking for a lift to Ipplepen animal rescue on **Thursdays and Fridays**. He has a voluntary job there, helping to look after the animals and preparing them for re-homing. Ideally, he would like to arrive there around 09.00 and leave around 4.00 but he can be a bit flexible on the times. He will want to contribute to petrol costs. If you can only offer one way that will help.

Is there anyone who can help? Please call Carey on **07754 493160**.  
Many thanks

## Bridge players

Couple recently moved in to Blackawton and looking for fellow bridge players. Intermediate standard and enjoy friendly kitchen bridge with the opportunity to improve.

Please call David and Carol on **712528**.

## Blackawton Amateur Dramatic Society (BADS)

from **Chris Janman**



## Auditions

**Sunday 13th October at 3.00 pm**

in the Village Hall

**for a Pantomime to be performed  
31st January and 1st February 2020**

Please come along if you'd like to be involved in any capacity, on- or back-stage.

If you'd like to be involved but are unable to attend the auditions, please contact **Chris Janman (chris.janman@gmail.com)**.

## Sustainable Blackawton

from **Jan Scott**

### “Blackawton into the Future” meeting

At Blackawton School in the Forest School on 2nd September 2019.

Present : Jan Scott, John Yunnie, Adam Gaisford, Robin Mewes, Andrea Scott, Laura Perry, Tony Everett, Kate Janman, Gerry Neville, Bethan Hughes, Steve Thomas, Jane Barsby, Mel Triggs and Rachel Burris.

Apologies : Ruth Coe, Kathy Wormoll, Jeremy Neville, Lynne Bacon, Lesley Mallyon, Sue Hadow, Simon Rake, James Perry, Claudia Benzies, Rob Benzies, Carey Burton and Fiona Howard.

Robin welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Mel and Rachel for hosting.

The ideas formulated during and immediately after the FoodForest project visit were discussed. Andrea and Laura offered to attend the Playing Fields AGM on Wednesday 25 September and introduce the FoodForest project proposal formally to the committee. Discussion within the committee and community may then lead to a plan for planting and environmental improvement. Tony asked whether tree planting might extend to the central field behind the George owned by the Blackawton Land Company; Ruth looked into this earlier this summer, but as Ruth was on holiday it was suggested that she speaks to Tony about this after the meeting.

Adam explained proposals to be taken to the parish council in the Autumn for appropriate planting in the cemetery and graveyard. The proposed planting to comprise easily managed and relatively small fruit and nut trees. Similar in concept to the FoodForest project ideas, this might very happily link in with any planting carried out on Playing Field land. Claudia and Lesley will help Adam draw up plans for discussion within the village and parish council.

There was some discussion about the name of the group and how 'Sustainable Blackawton' might be perceived. Beth suggested 'Blackawton into the future' as a potential alternative. This topic is likely to be revisited, but public perception is more likely to be influenced by our approach and our results and there was no proposal to make a change at this time.

The proposed environment policy was discussed and most people had seen a recent copy; there is still one section to be drafted. The draft is the result of input from about a dozen contributors and there is likely to be some further revision and the addition of the missing section over the next couple of weeks; but it was decided not to subject the report to an overarching edit because the report read well as it stood, some of the points may be lost during an edit and it was good to be able to see different 'voices' expressed in the drafting. It is hoped now that individuals and small groups will adopt one or some of the practical points identified as potential tasks/topics and develop those. These may be developed under the umbrella of Sustainable Blackawton and reviewed at wider meetings, but results are more likely to be forthcoming if individuals take on aspects that they are drawn to.

The school has a number of in house environmental initiatives and Mel described several other initiatives amongst parents and children occurring outside the school. Some of these may be introduced in coming months under the 'tip of the month' heading in the Beacon. Jan wants other people to chip in 'tips of the month' and pointed out that Robin had contributed the current entry. Suggestions though should be sent to Jan so the process can be co-ordinated. It is anticipated that the school and Sustainable Blackawton will be working closely together on environmental projects and sustainable issues. Rachel saw no need for a particular 'School' section in the draft Environmental Policy seeing instead that the school would work within the range of existing policy ideas and be an integral part of the whole process.

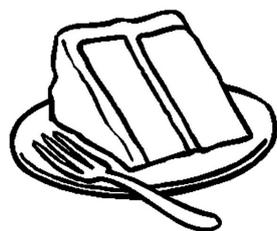
Adam pointed out that the spring and trough on Main Street might be attractively and sustainably utilised if the water purity and consistency could be established. Such an asset would in the past have been a central and critical part of village life and it could still serve as a source of free drinking water to visitors and residents alike. It was suggested that Adam speak first to the owner of the adjoining cottage who it is thought also owns the trough. John was involved in mapping springs in the Parish following the 1976 drought and may be able to find the old maps. There was discussion about whether the spring is consistent in quality or liable to storm surge and ground run-off pollution, so the potential for run-off pollution will need to be checked before commissioning testing.

Steve has been contacted by Don Bashman as Don has a second hand polytunnel to sell suitable for relocation and re-use. Please get in touch if you might want a polytunnel.

Car charging points were discussed. Ruth and James were consulted after the meeting and the idea of installing a charging point at the George has been raised with the landlord. James has offered to follow up these ideas on his return.

John handed around seeds from his Dittisham Plums promising delightful results.

## Wear it Pink Day



from **Laura Quick**

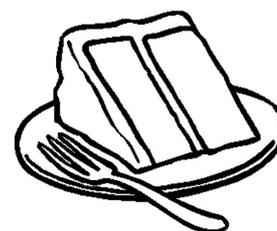
Join us for a

## Pink Afternoon Tea

3.00 – 6.00 pm

**Friday 18th October**

The George Inn



We would love you to join us to celebrate **Wear it Pink Day** and help raise valuable funds for breast cancer research now.

Enjoy a **Pink drink**. Bring along your Pink-themed bake to enter the **Pink Bake-off Raffle**. Or simply enjoy a **slice of cake**. Wearing Pink isn't compulsory. **We hope to see you there.**

For more information contact Laura Quick on **07807 809119** email [laura@lauraquickpr.co.uk](mailto:laura@lauraquickpr.co.uk).

## Autumn Concert

from **Bob Barsby**



# Autumn A Concert of Seasonal Music



Linda Harvey – soprano  
Rick Godlee – 'cello  
Special Choir (dir. Bob Barsby)

**Saturday 19th October**

7.30 pm Blackawton Church

Tickets £8 in advance or £10 on the door. £5 for under 16s.  
Advance tickets from the Community Shop or The George Inn or ring **712154**

**Proceeds in aid of Church Funds**

## Sustainability tip of the month

from **Jan Scott**

### Ecosia

Plant trees while you search the web and help to absorb and store the carbon dioxide emissions that are driving global heating! Add Ecosia to your search engine, **www.ecosia.org**. This extension sets your search engine to Ecosia and customizes your new tab page so you can plant trees with every search.

**How it works.** Ecosia is a search engine like Google, but very different: we use our ad revenue to plant trees where nature and people need them most. The Ecosia community has already planted millions of trees in Ethiopia, Brazil, Indonesia, Spain, as well as many other biodiversity hotspots.

**Privacy, not just promises.** We're interested in trees, not your data: we don't save your searches, we don't track the websites you visit, we don't sell your data to advertisers, and your searches are always SSL-encrypted.

**CO2 positive.** CO2 neutral is not enough. Thanks to our solar plant and the Ecosia forests around the world, each of your searches removes around 1 kg of CO2 from the atmosphere.

**Radical transparency.** Trust has to be earned. That's why we publish our monthly financial reports and tree-planting receipts on our website. We also signed a legal contract that requires us to stay true to our not-for-profit cause, forever.

**Use Ecosia today.** The world will be better for it. Over 67 million trees planted.

## Race night

**An evening of horse racing fun  
to raise money for Blackawton Fireworks  
hosted by Mark Leetham (Dr. Property)**

**Friday October 4th**

**At the George Inn**

**The fun starts at 7pm ~~ Bring loads of cash  
Make some money for yourself and for Fireworks!**



## Blackawton Village Fireworks

from **Peter Hathaway**

Saturday November 9th from 6.30 pm

Blackawton Bonfire and Fireworks are happening this year on Saturday 9th November. See the November Beacon for further details.

As always, there is no admission charge for the event – we rely solely upon money from our fund raising activities and voluntary donations on the night. This year, a key “fund raiser” is our Horse Racing night on Friday 4th October in the George Inn – see separate Beacon article for more details. We look forward to your support at this event.

**We need new members to join the fireworks team** – to not only help at this year’s event but also to carry it forward in future years. If you have the time and enthusiasm to help, please either contact Peter Hathaway ([p.hathaway@live.co.uk](mailto:p.hathaway@live.co.uk)) or come along to our next meeting in the George at 8.00 pm on **Wednesday 2nd October**.

This amazing spectacle, enjoyed by hundreds of people – of all ages – each year, is one of the events that make Blackawton “Blackawesome”. **Please help us to keep this great event going!!**

## Blackawton WI

from **Frances Wood**

In August instead of a meeting we had our annual pot luck supper. This supper gives us the opportunity to invite members from other local WIs to thank them for their invitations during the past year. As usual it was a very enjoyable event. The food was delicious, and the entertainment caused many chuckles as the braver members and guests had a go at line dancing.

We have made the most of this lovely summer by having several walks, a very pleasant long one was from Slapton to East Allington followed by lunch in The Fortescue Arms. Three members went to see the Calendar Girls musica;l they said it was brilliant. Devon County Show are asking for knitted bunting triangles as the show organisers are hoping for 5 miles of the bunting to celebrate Devon Federation of WIs 100 anniversary; our craft group are busy knitting.

This month's speaker was Kate Ryder from Al Fresco café, who gave a demonstration on making breakfast granola from store cupboard ingredients. We all took a sample home it was very tasty. This month was also the big weigh in of our potato competition with Marion Wreyford winning with 2.78 kilos. And we also measured the sunflower heads we had carefully nurtured over the summer with Rowan Lethbridge winning with a 15 inch bloom; sadly when it was in its full bloom it was 22 inches but by the date of the competition it had dried and shrunk to 15 inches but she still had grown the winner.

The first week of October sees three members enjoying a week in Yorkshire on Devon Federations annual holiday. Next month's speaker is Robert Hesketh telling us ghost stories about Devon Haunted Inns let's hope it's not too scary. Finally we are having a jumble sale on 26th October in Blackawton Village Hall.

## Blackawton WI Jumble Sale

from **Frances Wood**

Blackawton WI are holding a

### Jumble Sale

**Saturday 26th October 2019 2.00 to 4.00 pm**

Blackawton Village Hall

Entrance 50p

tea and refreshments ~~ clothes ~~ bric-a-brac ~~ toys ~~ books ~~ plants

**Jumble can be brought to the Hall on Saturday morning**

## West Dart Bus services

from **Tony Hemmings**

The West Dart Bus runs a regular service to nearby towns, as follows:

- Dartmouth every Friday at 10.15 am.
- Newton Abbot last Wednesday of the month at 9.50 am.  
(you do **not** need to book in advance)

If you have any questions or queries please ring Tony on 07512 433789, or email him at [tony.westdartbus@outlook.com](mailto:tony.westdartbus@outlook.com). Or contact the office on 01752 690444 or email [info@ringandride.net](mailto:info@ringandride.net).

# Village Hall

from **Adrian Kyte**

## Horticultural Show

We had a very successful Horticultural Show in September - a special thank you to all the new competitors. As some regulars were not with us this year for one reason or another, we were pleased to see you!

Congratulations to the cup winners: Frances Wood, Derek Hallett, Liz Yunnie, Kate Janman, Sarah Rowdon, Celia Stevens, Rosemary U'Ren, Laura Perry, Mike Jackson, Lesley Mallyon and Henry Morrow.

## October events at the Village Hall

### Private event

Tuesday 1st 8.00 am to 5.30 pm.

*Event parking only*

### Parish Council meeting

Tuesday 1st at 7.30 pm.

### Private event

Thursday 3rd 9.00 am to 3.00 pm.

### BADS Panto Auditions

Sunday 13th 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm.

*Event parking only*

If you want a Panto this year then make sure make sure that you or someone representing you attend.

### WI

Wednesday 16th at 2.30 pm. Please note new time.

*Event parking only*

### WI Jumble Sale

Saturday 26th 8.00 am to 4.00 pm.

*Event parking only*

### Whist and euchre drives

Mondays 7th and 21st at 7.30 pm.

*Event parking only*

### Private Event

Thursdays 1.30 – 3.00 pm 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st.

### Yoga Classes

Thursdays 6.00 – 7.00 pm. This month that's 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st.

Please contact Rachel Trevallion on 075825 580518 or email [rachel@yogaforbodysoul.com](mailto:rachel@yogaforbodysoul.com), website: [www.yogaforbodysoul.com](http://www.yogaforbodysoul.com), Facebook: [@yoga4bodyandsoul](https://www.facebook.com/yoga4bodyandsoul), for details or drop in at the very start of one of the sessions.

### Community Choir

Thursdays 7.30 - 9.30 pm. Please note new start time. This month that's 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st.

## Village Hall parking

Sometimes users of the Village Hall find that there are vehicles already parked in the car park. Officially only vehicles belonging to hall users, allotment users or tennis court users should be parked in the car park but the Village Hall is a community resource and parking in the village is a problem. To avoid problems a notice will be displayed in the cabinet by the main entrance with a list of events identifying those that need the car park. If you are one of the people who habitually or occasionally park in the car park please check the notice and park elsewhere on the occasions when the car park is needed for hall users.

## Booking the Village Hall

The easiest way to check availability and make a **provisional** booking of the Village Hall is to use the internet. There are two easy ways to check availability or make a provisional booking:

1. Enter <http://www.hallmaster.co.uk/ViewRoomDiary.aspx?roomId=81> in the address bar of your Internet browser and press 'Enter'.
2. Via Facebook ([www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)); search for "Blackawton Village Hall" then click on 'Book Now'. Either method should take you directly to the booking website. Use the 'Next >>' and '<<Previous' buttons to get to the month required then if the hall is not already booked click the '+' sign on the day you want then add the details for your event to create a provisional booking. You will receive an email within a couple of days with an invoice and a booking form. Provisional bookings only become confirmed bookings after the deposit is paid which should be within 2 weeks of the invoice date. The above are the preferred methods for booking the hall but if you don't have internet access please phone 712159.

## Village Hall Furniture

If there are no bookings that need the VH furniture it can sometimes be borrowed in return for an agreed donation and deposit but **only by prior arrangement**. A member of the committee should be present both when the furniture is taken and returned. Donation and deposit must be paid before any furniture is removed from the hall. A list of who is on the VH committee, along with contact details, is posted on the notice board next to the main entrance door.

# Community Shop

from **Kate Purver**



## Appeal for volunteers: your shop (still) needs you!

The shop has now been in its new, upgraded Main Street premises for a full year. Thanks to all of you who have supported the shop, through your use of it and/or by giving a bit of time to help man and run it.

The aim of the shop is not to make a profit, but to provide a service to the village – put simply, we think Blackawton needs a village shop. Financially, the shop is just about viable, but this is helped significantly by the generosity of our landlord! So we continue to need your support ...

In particular, in order to keep the shop open all day and every day, we need to **keep appealing for volunteers**. Lately we've been struggling to fill shifts; if a few more people don't come forward, alas, we will have to look at opening later or closing earlier. To help us maintain our 8am-6pm plus weekend morning opening hours, **please, please if you can spare a bit of time each week, get in touch**. Just a weekly hour or two is a **real help**. Come in to the shop for a chat and/or call Ben, our manager, on **07510 645476** and we'll arrange for someone to "show you the ropes" (they're not complicated ropes!) It's a great way to **contribute to village life** and meet people ... **please join us!**

**100 Club** September winners:

Tony Everett	£15
Maggie Dayment	£10
Felicity Bellamy	£5

**Subscribe for next year!** £15 entry for your chance to win every month from January 2020.

**Available in the shop now.**

## Shop opening times

Monday to Friday	8.00 am – 6.00 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

The shop's telephone number is **712157**. **See you in the shop soon!**

## Ash dieback

This disease is spreading throughout Devon, over 90% of trees are likely to be affected. Many trees are within falling distance of a highway and most are the responsibility of private landowners who have a duty to manage trees on their land, and take appropriate action to minimise risks to public safety from diseased trees.

For more information go to the Blackawton Community website.

## Notes of the meeting of Blackawton Parish Council

**Held on Tuesday 3rd September 2019 at 7.30 pm in Blackawton Village Hall**

Full minutes are on the website [www.blackawtoncommunity.com](http://www.blackawtoncommunity.com) and on the noticeboard outside The George Inn.

### Open Forum

No issues raised.

**Present:** Cllrs Mewes (Chair), Mallyon, Perry, Thomas, and Wilson were present, as were South Hams District Cllr Reeve, and Devon County Cllr Brazil for his report, and A Thom (Clerk). Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Rake and Coe.

### Report from South Hams District Councillor

South Hams District Councillor Reeve reported on SHDC's discussion about the impact of Ash dieback. Landowners are reminded that they have a duty to manage trees on their land and take appropriate action to minimise risks to public safety from diseased trees. Please see the Blackawton or SHDC websites for more information. Cllr Reeve explained the likely withdrawal over the next two years of the Council Tax Support Grant. SHDC is keen to improve its relationship with parish councils and to help parish councils to publicise their work. Minor police issues can be reported using [dartmouth@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk](mailto:dartmouth@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk). Cllr Reeve has up to £600 available in her Locality Fund grant allocation. No response has been forthcoming from Linden Homes about when the footpath access from French Furze to the village will be built. Cllr Mallyon explained that Linden Homes cannot build the footpath now because the Employment Units remain under construction. It was agreed that the planned build date will be requested.

### Report from Devon County Councillor

Cllr Brazil welcomes the much-needed new funding being received for schools. Details are pending. There has been a series of meetings about the Slapton Line. Residents have been advised to prepare for the worst because if some areas are damaged they can't be repaired. The Clerk will send Cllr Brazil correspondence about outstanding road signage works.

### Planning

#### SHDC Planning Approvals/Refusals

1169/19/FUL Middle Hatcherleigh Farmhouse Blackawton TQ9 7AD. Provision of a timber garage with log store. **Conditional Approval.**

0318/19/HHO Abbotscot Blackawton TQ9 7AF. Householder application for extension to dwelling. **Conditional Approval.**

#### Review of New Applications

2648/19/FUL Higher Hatcherleigh Blackawton TQ9 7AD. Regularisation of dwelling, gardens, ancillary Buildings and Domestic Stables. Blackawton Parish Council can't support a scheme where there appears to have been a disregard of the planning process. In addition, there is insufficient information to determine the level of deviation from the approved plans and BPC is unable to comment further. The provision of further information, such as before photos, could have given clarity on the proposals and helped a decision.

2642/19/PDM The Old Dairy, North Millcombe Farm, Blackawton, Totnes, TQ9 7AE. Notification for prior approval for proposed change of use of agricultural building to dwellinghouse (Class C3) and for associated operational development (Class Q(a+b)). This building has historically been part of an established agricultural operation - although not under the current owner. The current owner has let the fields for grazing.

- 2770/19/FUL Forder Barn Blackawton TQ9 7AL. Demolition of an existing agricultural building & construction of a new residential dwelling. Withdrawn prior to the meeting.
- 2304/19/FUL Provision of an agricultural livestock building (1 of 10)
- 2308/19/FUL Provision of an agricultural livestock building (2 of 10)
- 2309/19/FUL Provision of an agricultural livestock building (3 of 10)
- 2311/19/FUL Provision of an agricultural livestock building (4 of 10)
- 2313/19/FUL Provision of an agricultural livestock building (5 of 10)
- 2314/19/FUL Provision of an agricultural livestock building (6 of 10)
- 2315/19/FUL Provision of an agricultural livestock building (7 of 10)
- 2320/19/FUL Provision of an agricultural livestock building (8 of 10)
- 2321/19/FUL Provision of a straw building and engineering works for two silage pits (9 of 10)
- 2322/19/FUL Provision of grain store (10 of 10)
- Land At SX 829 492, Stancombe Wood, Cornish Post, Dartmouth, TQ9 7AW. The gate to access the proposed buildings is located in a narrow section of the road and proper consideration needs to be given.

## Consultations

The following consultations were noted:

- Proposed Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service Changes. Note request to object to proposed closure of Kingston Fire Service.
- Parking in Dartmouth, SHDC, DCC and Dartmouth Town Council. Closes 14 October.
- Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places, South Hams District Council. Closes 20 September.

## French Furze Project

It was agreed earlier in the meeting that the planned build date for the footpath access from French Furze to Main Street will be requested from Linden Homes.

## Environment Policy

Councillor Mewes reported that the Policy is nearly done. The final document will be circulated in two to three weeks, and will be discussed by the 1 October Parish Council meeting.

## Parish Lengthsman

The new Lengthsman has commenced work. They are liaising via Cllrs Mallyon and Perry, and providing monthly reports to the Clerk. Three places have been identified where work is needed on the landowners' side and which would be most efficiently done using a machine. Cllr Perry has agreed to discuss with the landowners. Some drains require clearance with a gully sucker. Cllr Reeve was able to provide the details of a smaller local business which might be used.

## Bus Shelter Project

The Clerk suggested obtaining quotes for a company to both provide and install the shelter to reduce the risk to the PC. This approach will be investigated. An update will be provided to the 1 October meeting.

## Standards and Governance Training

Thursday, 3 October 2019 at 2.00pm in the Council Chamber, Follaton House. Cllr Rake was nominated to attend.

## Finance

### Update on Current Financial Position

The Report contained a total balance of £56,159.12 and unearmarked reserves of £8,221.09.

### Payments Made, Due and Received

It was resolved to approve the following payments:

Grounds maintenance contractor,	
July churchyard and cemetery cuts	£210.00
Clerk August salary & pension	£489.77
HMRC August PAYE	£18.00
Clerk Expenses reimbursement	£60.59

The following receipts were noted:

Allwood inscription section E	£40.00
Allwood new memorial	£60.00
DCC Grant Bus Shelter	£250.00
Parishioner Interment section E	£55.00

## Annual authorisation of the clerk's base salary

It was resolved that the Clerk's base salary will be paid on the last day of each month and be authorised annually in April of each year.

## Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted:

- 19/7/19 Environment Agency people may need a licence to continue abstracting water in a previously exempt area. This has been shared with Young Farmers.
- SHDC, Request for Town or Parish Council's views on the withdrawal, over two years, of the payment of the Council Tax Support Grant. Noted. BPC will not be responding.

## Reports from Parish Councillors and Wardens

Cllr Perry reported that someone who visited a grave recently contacted him to say how good they thought the Cemetery was looking. The Parish Council will pass on to the grounds maintenance contractor the compliments, and its congratulations and thanks.

There is a problem with dog poo on back lane.

The Playing Fields Committee will have its AGM in two weeks. Volunteers are needed – perhaps from regular users of the park?

The Parish Council's next meeting will be on **Tuesday 1st October 2019** at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. You are most welcome to attend and to raise any issues which may be of concern to you.

## Council contacts

Cllr Ruth Coe	712131	tgiblackawton@yahoo.co.uk
Cllr Alan Mallyon	712799	amallyon1@gmail.com
Cllr Robin Mewes, Vice-chair	07733 097551	robin@blackawtoncommunity.com
Cllr Jack Perry	07890 898164	jack@westdownfarm.plus.com
Cllr Simon Rake, Chair	712103	simon@blackawtoncommunity.com
Cllr Steve Thomas	712840	steve@blackawtoncommunity.com
Cllr Chris Wilson	07970 850258	chris@blackawtoncommunity.com
Annette Thom, Parish Clerk	722417	parishclerk@blackawtoncommunity.com

## Other contacts

Police non-urgent reporting	101	dartmouth@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk
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	
Report problems to SHDC such as fly tipping and abandoned vehicles:		<a href="http://www.southhams.gov.uk/article/65/Report-It">www.southhams.gov.uk/article/65/Report-It</a>
Devon County Cllr Julian Brazil	01548 511109 or 07970 971140	julian.brazil@devon.gov.uk
Devon County Council	0845 155 1015 or 0345 155 1015	customer@devon.gov.uk
Report problems on the highway to DCC such as potholes and flooding:		<a href="http://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem">new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem</a>

# the Wider Community

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## The Probus Club of Stoke Fleming & District

from John Light

### Where friendliness matters above all else

Our aim is to socialise in a congenial relaxed atmosphere in the company of other men who are retired or semi-retired.

Our speakers this month will be:

9th October	Ian McClure	An Interpreter's Life
23rd October	Paul Naylor	The Colourful Lives of Devon's Marine Animals

**Why not be our guest?** Come and join us for coffee and receive a warm welcome from our members.

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## Stoke Fleming Charitable Ladies

from Sue Tweed

Our next meeting will be our AGM at 2.30pm on Wednesday 2nd October in Stoke Fleming Village Hall. The next event will be the Christmas Fayre on 23rd November, which will be raising funds for the Dashing Devon Dukes – our local school children's ukulele band who play to raise funds for a number of charities. They need funds to enable them to hire venues to rehearse and to buy new instruments and equipment. The Charitable Ladies group meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month (except August and December) to organise three local fundraising events each year. New members from Stoke Fleming and surrounding areas are most welcome to join. Contact Sue Tweed (Secretary) on **770730** or email her at [tweed833@btinternet.com](mailto:tweed833@btinternet.com) for more information.

## from the Editor

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Please send your Beacon contributions by email to [beacon@blackawtoncommunity.com](mailto:beacon@blackawtoncommunity.com). Contributions on paper can be dropped off at the Community Shop, the George Inn or at 1 The Cross, Park Lane. The deadline for contributions to the November edition is **Wednesday 23rd October**.

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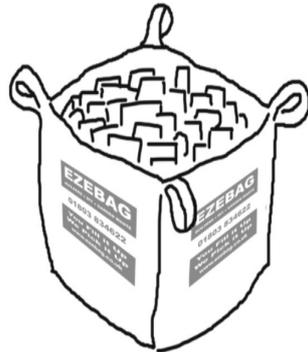
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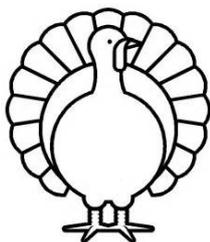


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# Parish Diary

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## October 2019

Tuesday 1st	11.55 am	Mobile Library	War memorial
	7.30 pm	Parish Council meeting	Village Hall
Wednesday 2nd	7.30 pm	Harvest Festival	Church
Thursday 3rd	6.00 pm	Yoga class	Village Hall
	7.30 pm	Community Choir	Village Hall
Friday 4th	10.15 am	West Dart Bus to Dartmouth	
	7.00 pm	Fireworks Race Night	The George Inn
Monday 7th	7.30 pm	Whist and Eucre drive	Village Hall
Thursday 10th	6.00 pm	Yoga class	Village Hall
	7.30 pm	Community Choir	Village Hall
Friday 11th	10.15 am	West Dart Bus to Dartmouth	
Sunday 13th	3.00 pm	BADS auditions	Village Hall
Wednesday 16th	2.30 pm	WI meeting	Village Hall
Thursday 17th	6.00 pm	Yoga class	Village Hall
	7.30 pm	Community Choir	Village Hall
Friday 18th	10.15 am	West Dart Bus to Dartmouth	
	3.00 pm	Pink Afternoon Tea	The George Inn
Saturday 19th	7.30 pm	Autumn – A Concert of Seasonal Music	Church
Monday 21st	7.30 pm	Whist and Eucre drive	Village Hall
Wednesday 23rd		Beacon deadline for the November edition	
Thursday 24th	6.00 pm	Yoga class	Village Hall
	7.30 pm	Community Choir	Village Hall
Friday 25th	10.15 am	West Dart Bus to Dartmouth	
Saturday 26th	2.00 pm	WI Jumble Sale	Village Hall
Tuesday 29th	11.55 am	Mobile Library	War memorial
Wednesday 30th	9.50 am	West Dart Bus to Newton Abbot	
Thursday 31st	6.00 pm	Yoga class	Village Hall
	7.30 pm	Community Choir	Village Hall

## November 2019

Saturday 9th 6.30 pm Village Fireworks and Bonfire