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"We Are Undefeatable" is a movement supporting people with a range of long term health conditions, developed by leading health and social care charities.

Their purpose is to support and encourage finding ways to be active that work with each person's conditions, not against them. Being Undefeatable is understanding that how you feel can change from day-to-day, that everybody's situation is unique, and that moving more when you can is just as important as accepting when you can't. The campaign believes that every achievement, no matter how small it might seem to someone else, is worth celebrating.

WHO IS THE CAMPAIGN FOR?

The campaign brings together partners who reach people living with: Arthritis, some long-term limiting mobility conditions, Alzheimer's, Asthma, Back pain, Cancer, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease/Lung Condition, Dementia, Heart Disease, Stroke, hypertension (or other heart related condition), Long-term depression or anxiety, MS, Parkinson's, Type 1 Diabetes and Type 2 Diabetes.



The campaign is inspired by, and features, the real-life experiences of people with long term health conditions getting active despite the ups, downs and unpredictability of their condition. The campaign "We Are Undefeatable" aims to support people living with health conditions to build physical activity into their lives, in a way that suits them. The website www.weareundefeatable.co.uk and social media channels (@undefeatable on Twitter and @we.are.undefeatable on Instagram and We Are Undefeatable on Facebook) were launched to highlight the real-life stories at the heart of the campaign and ideas for ways to get active.

Due to the nature of the campaign, they also hope to inspire those living with other conditions who can be more active, beyond those listed above. It is important to remember that everybody and how their condition affects them is different and finding the appropriate physical activity for you depends on your own personal circumstance. If you don't see information related to your condition on the website or the campaign partner pages, try visiting charity websites related to your condition specifically. Otherwise, contact your GP or, where applicable, your specialist healthcare professional.

The Editorial

Well, Summer has arrived and we are slowly adjusting to a new social reality. Sport has returned, played in empty stadiums. Football matches are being played in front of card board cut-outs of fans (Crowdies) and crowd noise is added by theatre audio engineers. No lose there then but we still unfortunately have to injure the puerile commentary. Turn the sound off I hear you say. International cricket has started but without the 'Barmy Army' dress code and the 'Beer Snakes'. The players have been told that the use of saliva to polish a cricket ball is prohibited but sweat is fine. As for Rugby that is a different ball game altogether (social distancing playing rugby. I don't think so?).



Will we ever get back to normality? Did I say normality?

Strete Village Day has been cancelled for 2020, but will be back in 2021 with a flourish. No, we do not intend to have a virtual Strete Village Day it just wouldn't be the same. We will have to look to 7th August 2021 to get together and enjoy a wonderful day.

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).

It is with regret that we have decided to cancel Village Day 2020 because of the ongoing situation.

STRETE VILLAGE DAY

It is hoped that later in the year we shall be able to hold an event, what sort we don't know yet, to celebrate coming through this difficult time. Any ideas would be welcome and your help, as always, will be much appreciated.

We can then start preparing for
VILLAGE DAY 2021 SATURDAY 7th AUGUST

(Parish Hall and Village Day Committees)



If the lockdown continuous to be eased and it is possible to have social gatherings the Parish Hall Committee are considering a programme of events for the coming year 2021. One of which could be a Plant Sale sometime in May. So, to give all you gardeners plenty of notice, why not when you are taking cuttings of your

favourite plants include some extra clippings with a view to donating the plants to be sold on the day. This will help to raise money for the modernisation and upkeep of our Parish Hall. This could include trays of new season seedlings in the spring closer to the date.

There is a full and detailed report regarding The Kings Arms from Andy Edwards and it's future. Plus Parish Council notes. See notes: **0520/12 KINGS ARMS** the application for the renewal of the ACV and possible leasing arrangements.

'Sometimes you need to look at the world from a different angle. Be open to explore, find a fresh perspective and share your stories from a different vantage point. It's vast out there, in the open air'. A quote on the side of a beer can given to me for Fathers Day. We all look forward to have the freedom to do this and we're almost there.

Readers Corner

I have just finished reading the book, 'Watership Down', by Richard Adams.

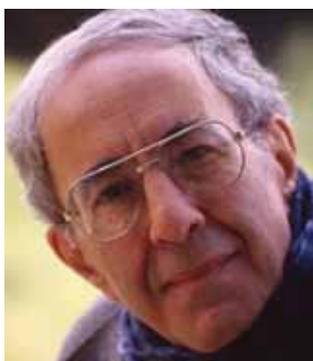
Fiver could sense danger, that something terrible was going to happen to the warren, and his sixth sense was never wrong, they had to leave the warren. And so a small band of rabbits began a long and perilous journey. When we look back to those early



Biblical times, people's journey's were also hazardous. You were fortunate if your camel didn't turn uncooperative, if you didn't die of dehydration, if your sandals didn't wear out and if you didn't get attacked by bandits. Just think of the hungry Israelites remembering the garlic, leeks, cucumbers and melons they used to eat in Egypt, before they set off on that journey with Moses, and there's Balam, faced with a donkey that simply refused to go one step further. It was well then, to make sure if possible that you had good travelling companions, as well as the right supplies.

The journey of life is rarely smooth as we have all experienced over the last three months, with all the trauma and heartache of the Corona Virus pandemic. The journey of faith, when we travel Jesus narrow road also has it's bumpy moments, and we do need a few spiritual companions and enough spiritual food to make it to the next stop. A daily dose of Bible Reading and Prayer, being thankful for the gift and love of families and friends, and the joy and wonders of the natural world, will help us on our journey of faith, there will of course be times when we are weary and footsore, when the journey seems like an uphill climb, when we have only the dimmest view of the destination.

John Bunyan's Christian in the book 'Pilgrims Progress' had 'Faithful' by his side to lighten his load and share his setbacks. We too have someone by our side who gives us new strength. God always provides unexpected help, sometimes from the most surprising people, and perhaps it's only for a moment, but it's always just enough for us to continue our journey. His loving care embraces and enfolds us wherever our journey of faith takes us.



Henri Nouwen, was once a Dutch Catholic Priest and he wrote these following words.

"We choose love by taking small steps of love every time there is an opportunity. A smile, a word of encouragement, a gesture of support, a helping hand, a present and a card. All these are little steps towards love. Each step is like a candle burning in the night. It does not take the darkness away, but guides us through the darkness. When we look back after many small steps of love, we will discover that we have made a long and beautiful journey".

Keep well, keep safe and always have hope, for easier times. **Jenny Harris.**

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Dear Friends,

Following conversations with our Parochial Church Councils , doing Risk Assessments and all other necessary tasks , we are pleased to say that our four churches will hold services again from Sunday Our church services will be different for now- for example, -waiting outside the building to be seated -no singing - sitting at a social distance from people not in your family bubble - a bit shorter - hand sanitising, if you can, please bring your own hand sanitizer too. - leaving quickly at the end!

BUT we WILL be worshipping and we WILL be together again.

We will all be delighted to see you. It's been a long time and we've missed you all, but through all this, our villages have been in our thoughts and prayers.

Every blessing Reverend Alison



August &
September 2020

	St Peter's Stoke Fleming	St Michael's Strete	St Michael's Blackawton	St Andrew's East Allington
August 9th	8am Holy Communion Revd Alison Shaw 11am Communion by ext Jenny Harris	11am Holy Communion Revd Alison Shaw	9.30am Communion by ext Frank & Lyn Robinson	11am Communion by ext Peter Barker
August 16th			11am Holy Communion Revd Alison Shaw	
August 23rd	11am Morning Worship Peter Barker	11am Holy Communion Revd Alison Shaw		
August 30th			9.30am Morning Worship Frank & Lyn Robinson	11am Holy Communion Revd Alison Shaw
September 6th	11am Holy Communion Revd Alison Shaw	11am Morning Worship Jenny Harris		
September 13th			9.30am Communion by ext Frank & Lyn Robinson	11am Holy Communion Revd Alison Shaw
September 20th	11am Morning Worship Jenny Harris	11am Harvest Festival Revd Alison Shaw		
September 27th			11am Holy Communion Revd Alison Shaw	11 Communion by ext Peter Barker



Strete Chapel



Greetings from the fellowship to all in the village!

We are glad to be able to tell you that we have been able to open the chapel for Sunday services again! This is of course subject to government guidelines. Even with these changes it was a joy it was to be able to come together in fellowship after being apart for so long. In the book of Matthew 5 v18 Jesus tells us, ***‘For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.’***



Due to the size of our building we have temporarily moved our services to Stoke Fleming Village Hall and are asking people to let us know in advance if they intend to come so that we can make sure that the seating is appropriately spaced out. If you would like to attend please email stretchapel@gmail.com or leave your contact details in the post box outside of the chapel.

★ Young Searchers Challenge ★

Young Searchers is a Christian children’s club based on teaching the Bible through stories, games and craft. As we are not able to meet so we thought we would set a challenge in Stretewise. All children in the village are invited to take part. Please ask your parent/carer to send in the answers by email to stretchapel@gmail.com.

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

This week I have been thinking about different people in the Bible who experienced their own kind of ‘lockdown’ and thought we would look at one of my favourite stories.



Q. Who in the Bible was swallowed by a big fish?

Q. For how long was this person in the belly of the fish?



At the start of this pandemic over 65 churches from different denominations came together online to sing a blessing over the UK. They created a beautiful melody to the words of a blessing in the book of Numbers. To listen to the worship song please put ‘UK blessing’ in to YouTube. This is the blessing that I want to share with the village.



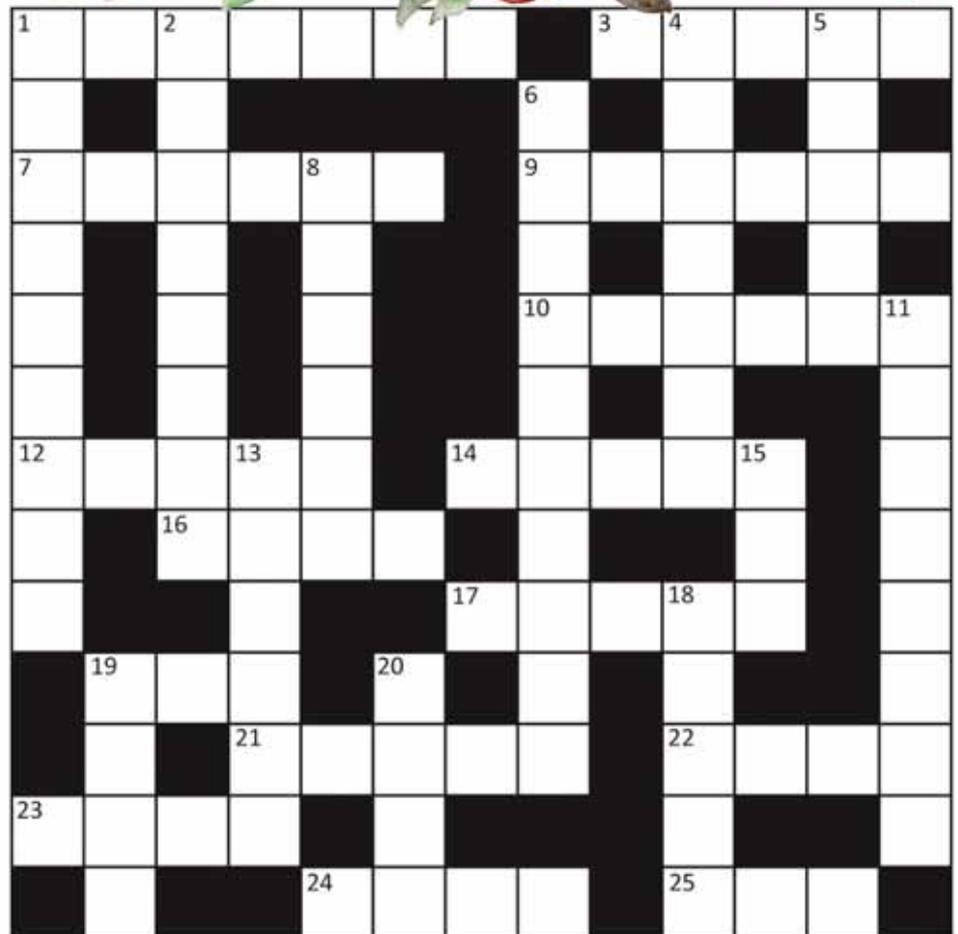
“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.”

Stretewise Crossword

Solution on page 72

Across:

1. The stomach.
3. A deep chasm.
7. Cloth produced by weaving.
9. Expose the true character
10. Lacking the skill.
12. Openings that allows air to pass out of a confined space.
14. To speak pompously and lengthily.
16. A French holiday home.
17. Several stupid people.
19. A computer file easily shared and printed.
21. Thoughts
22. Seed of the grass species *Oryza Sativa*.
23. Largest waterfowl species.
24. Prepare by correcting.
25. A sandwich recipe.



- Down:**
1. A written statement confirmed by oath.
 2. A superficial interest in.
 4. Try to say things that sound impressive but have little meaning.
 5. Fibre for making ropes or matting .
 6. looking or sounding sad and dismal.
 8. To cause a problem by being present in large numbers.
 11. Having obliterated or removed completely.
 13. A snack or light meal.
 15. Several of these typographic units.
 18. Pulsate steadily.
 19. One of the chessmen.
 20. A fermented beverage made from honey.

"I have two boys, 5 and 6. We're no good at naming things in our house" - Ed Byrne
 "I just deleted all the German names off my phone. It's Hans free" - Darren Walsh
 "I'm good friends with 25 letters of the alphabet... I don't know Y." - Chris Turner
 "Hedgehogs – why can't they just share the hedge?"
 "To be or not to be a horse rider, that is Equestrian"



Stretewise - Events

Strete Parish Hall is available to hire BUT unavailable during this period of lockdown.

Would you like to join in with a club or activity, even help out with one-off events?

Have you got any ideas for uses of the hall? Do you know anyone who is looking for a venue? Would you like to run a club, activity or give a talk?

Contact the Parish Hall Committee.



Have you a special birthday or anniversary coming up? Why not hire the Hall with all its facilities!

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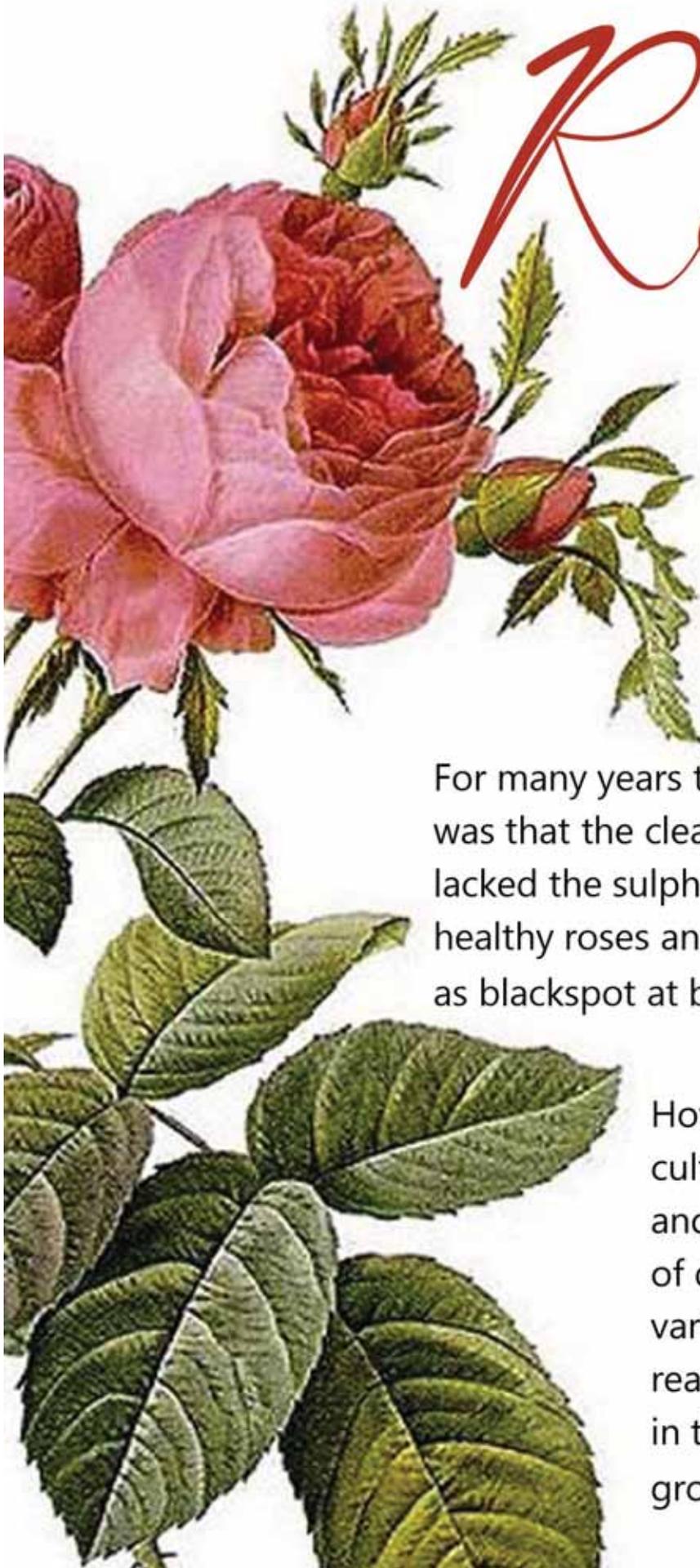
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Roses

For many years the traditional view was that the clean South West air lacked the sulphur needed to grow healthy roses and keep diseases such as blackspot at bay.

However, with good cultivation practices and careful plant choice of disease resistant varieties, there's no reason why gardeners in the South West can't grow glorious roses.

The rose is undoubtedly the world's favourite flower with over 30,000 varieties and is probably grown in every country that the climate allows. Roses have a long and colourful history, and there is fossil evidence of the rose from a period 40-35 million years ago discovered in Colorado's Florissant Fossil Beds USA. Fossils have also been found in Norway, Germany, Balkans, Alaska and Mexico.

Garden cultivation and trading of roses began around 5,000 years ago across various early civilisations, such as the Egyptians, the Chinese, the Greeks, the Romans and the Phoenicians.

The early Greeks and later the Romans linked the rose to love, beauty, purity and passion. One of the first recorded instances of roses representing love comes from ancient Greek Mythology. Aphrodite, the Goddess of Love, walked through a garden of roses that had been shot with an arrow by Cupid. The roses had grown thorns thanks to Cupid's arrow.



Silver drachma of Rhodes, 88/42 BC. Head of Helios and the rose, "*rhodon*" the symbol of Rhodes.

Aphrodite pricked her thorn on a rose and her blood turned roses red.

In medieval times, roses became a symbol of power. The King of Franks, Charlemagne, grew roses in the grounds of his palace at Aix-la-Chapelle. Charlemagne himself passed the historic decree "Capitulare de Villis" (Concerning Towns) which commanded the cities of his Empire to plant Red and White Roses (*Rosa gallica* 'Officinalis' and *Rosa alba*) in all civic gardens and town estates under his wide dominion. The oldest rose plant which is still alive now is grown in a Catholic cathedral in Hildesheim, Germany. It is believed that the rose plant appeared there in 815 AD and currently it is 10 meters (33 ft.) high. During the 12th and 13th centuries, many knights and soldiers who returned from the Crusades in the Middle East would bring roses home with them from their travels. This may account for the spread of many Turkish varieties into northern and western Europe.

The Wars of the Roses were a series of English civil wars for control of the throne of England fought between supporters of two rival branches of the royal House of Plantagenet: the House of Lancaster, represented by a red rose (*R. Gallica*), and the House of York (*R. alba*), represented by a white rose. It was Henry Tudor VII who merged his Lancastrian rose with the rose of his York bride and thus created the Tudor Rose, the Rose of England. Henry and Elizabeth of York were married on 18 January 1486 at Westminster Abbey.



The Tudor rose (sometimes called the Union rose) is the traditional floral heraldic emblem of England and takes its name and origins from the House of Tudor, which united the House of Lancaster and the House of York.



Château de Malmaison

In the early 19th century, the Empress Josephine, wife of Napoleon Bonaparte, became one of the biggest collectors of old roses. She started developing the rose garden in 1798 at Malmaison in France, an estate seven miles west of Paris. She died in 1814 and had at that point collected as many as 250 different types of roses. She also created a few new species. Her garden is still one of the best sources for ancient roses.



Empress Josephine



Pierre Joseph Redouté

This garden became the inspiration and source for Pierre Joseph Redoute's work as a botanical illustrator. In 1824, he completed his water-colour collection "Les Rose," which is still considered one of the finest records of botanical illustration. Redouté was an official court artist of Marie Antoinette, and continued painting through the French Revolution and the Reign of Terror. He survived this turbulent political upheaval to gain international recognition for his precise renderings of plants.



After Queen Marie-Antoinette, his patrons included both of Napoleon's wives, Empress Joséphine and Marie Louise, Duchess of Parma.

Stretewise Recipe

Rosehip and Apple Jelly

The ingredients:

2.2lbs / 1kg rosehips

2.2lbs / 1kg crab apples

or small dessert apples

1 small lemon

1.7lbs / 800g granulated sugar (depending on the volume of juice)

2 tbsp clear honey

knob of butter



Method:

1: Thoroughly wash the rosehips and apples. The rosehips will take longer to cook, so put them in a pan with water generously covering and bring to the boil. Reduce the heat and simmer for 40 mins, topping up with hot water from the kettle when necessary.

2: Halve the crab apples (or chop the dessert apples) no need to peel or core. Cut wide strips of peel from the lemon. Add to the pan. Add more hot water to cover the fruit. Return to the boil, then simmer for 15 mins until the apples and rosehips are very soft.

3: Pour the fruit and liquid into a jelly bag and leave overnight to drip through.

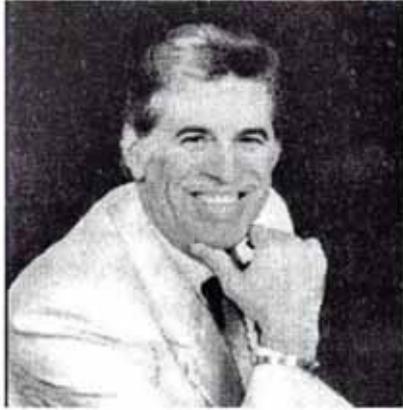
4: The following day, wash the jars and lids, rinse well and put the jars upright in a roasting tin. Heat at 180C/160C fan/gas 4 for 10 mins.

Measure the juice and pour into a clean pan. For each litre of juice, add 800g sugar (or 80g sugar to each 100g juice). Add the honey and juice from the lemon.

5: Bring the mixture slowly to the boil, stirring to dissolve the sugar. Boil hard for 5-15 mins until setting point is reached. Slide the pan off the heat, spoon a little jelly onto a cold saucer, leave for a minute and push with your finger. If it wrinkles it's ready. If not, return to the heat, boil for a few more minutes and test again.

Do not overboil as apples are high in pectin and the jelly should set quickly.

Remove from the heat and stir in the butter to disperse the foam on top. Pour into the prepared jars, seal, label and store in a cool, dark place for up to 1 year.



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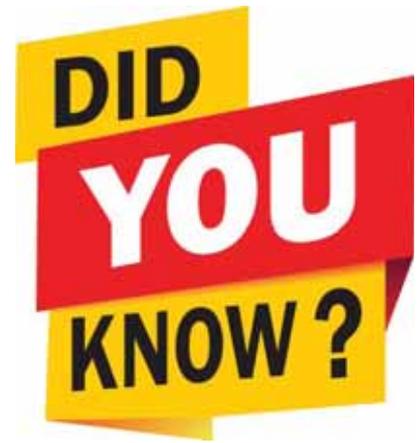
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- ❖ An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.
- ❖ Lemons contain more sugar than strawberries.
- ❖ You burn more calories sleeping than watching TV .
- ❖ Toilets use 35% of indoor water use.
- ❖ A group of rhinos is called a crash.
- ❖ Stewardesses is the longest word that is typed with only the left hand.
- ❖ A lobsters blood is colourless but when exposed to oxygen it turns blue.
- ❖ The hydrochloric acid found in your stomach is strong enough to dissolve a nail.
- ❖ Armadillos have 4 babies at a time and are all the same sex.
- ❖ All the blinking in one day equates to having your eyes closed for 30 minutes.
- ❖ QANTAS stands for Queensland And Northern Territories Aerial Service.
- ❖ A hummingbird's heart beats at over a 1,000 times a minute.



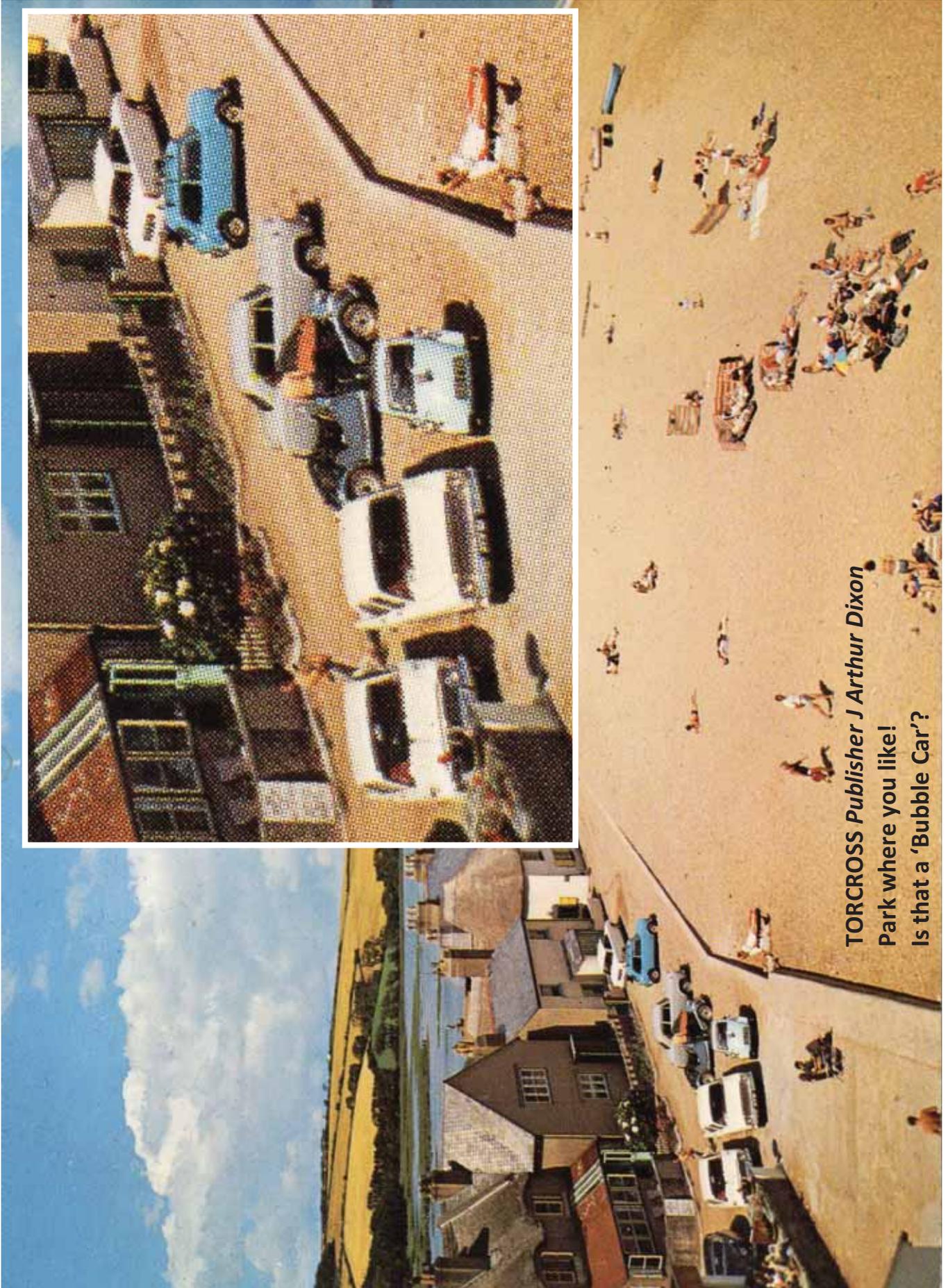
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Thank you to Tony Crawford for starting our Westertise (Anagrams)

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

- PRESBYTERIAN: When you rearrange the letters: BEST IN PRAYER
ASTRONOMER: When you rearrange the letters: MOON STARER
THE EYES: When you rearrange the letters: THEY SEE
THE MORSE CODE: When you rearrange the letters: HERE COME DOTS
DORMITORY: When you rearrange the letters: DIRTY ROOM
SLOT MACHINES: When you rearrange the letters: CASH LOST IN ME
ANIMOSITY: When you rearrange the letters: IS NO AMITY
ELECTION RESULTS: When you rearrange the letters: LIES - LET'S RECOUNT
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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF STRETE PARISH COUNCIL (PC)

HELD ON ZOOM ON THURSDAY 21 May 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); Mrs. Helen Darch – Clerk.

PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public attended the meeting.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

JB noted that various funds existed for local parishes or community groups to apply for and to contact him if there was a need for funding identified. The grants from SHDC are up to £250 and up to £5,000 from DCC for the COVID-19 Prompt Action Fund.

JB touched on the two planning decisions where RC had drafted a letter expressing the Parish Council's concerns [**2304/19/FUL Land at Stancombe Wood and 3076/19/FUL The Coach House**]. These had not gone to committee as the Development Management [DM] Committee had not met since the emergency was declared in late March. JB assumed then that approval had been made by the planning officer under delegated powers. If there had been anything contentious the ward member and the officer would have considered the application together and come to a decision. If that was not possible the case would then have been referred to the DM Committee. JB confirmed that the two decisions had been approved. A debate took place around the fact that objections to the two applications had been lodged, including from the Parish Council. Should the two applications have been taken to the DM committee in that case? JB thought that in these two cases the ward member and the officer must have reached a consensus.

Councillors voiced concern over the potential gridlock on the Totnes Road, which is an emergency road, during the works for the Stancombe Wood development. JB noted this but the concerns of local people had to be balanced against the evaluation by the Highways department. The alternative is to engage a highways expert to counter the advice of DCC Highways.

RC then raised the decision on the Coach House which was approved but a property immediately opposite was refused. The two decisions appeared to use the same evidence [on overbuilding for instance] to arrive at different decisions especially as

both are based on the Joint Local Plan. JB suggested the decision [by RF as ward member] was taken on the basis that it would have been approved if it had gone to committee.

JB concluded by thanking the parishes and community groups for their work in supporting the community. There hadn't been a single new case of coronavirus in the South Hams or West Devon so that reflected well on the local communities and local people. But it was best not to be complacent and to be aware if people come streaming down here it could kick off again. **The report was received.**

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

As the District Councillor did not attend this report was not given.

0520/1 APOLOGIES - Cllr Richard Foss, District Councillor, Allington & Strete Ward (RF).

0520/2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 23 APRIL 2020

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

0520/3 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. **None were declared.**

0520/4 PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS

The two planning decisions [2304/19/FUL Land at Stancombe Wood and 3076/19/FUL The Coach House] were discussed under the County Councillor's report. **It was resolved not to take further action on the two cases.**

0520/5(a) FINANCE

The Clerk supplied the meeting with a list of cheques for payment. Invoices had been scanned and sent to all councillors electronically before the meeting. Cheque 1719 was added to the agenda list.

1715 = Clerk salary May £249.	1716 – Reimburse Clerk for the cost of a new laminator and plastic sheets £53.97.
1717 – Reimburse Clerk for monthly payment to use Zoom £11.99 plus VAT.	1718 – Reimburse Mr Graham Campbell for materials on Prideaux Lane works. £48.11 plus VAT.
1719- Reimburse Mr Graham Campbell for key cutting for barriers at Prideaux Lane £20.	

It was proposed and AGREED to authorise payments as enumerated above.

0520/5(b) FINANCE

A monitoring report for 2020/21 had been circulated already along with a cash-flow projection. The projection to the end of June 2020 gave CR 10,141.59 including a first half precept of £6,500 and Council Tax Support Grant of £138. It was agreed the latest monitoring should be published on the website. **Resolved the Clerk would provide the monitoring statements for the website.**

0520/5(c) FINANCE

Cash at bank – £11, 881.39CR Current account at 07/05/20, £10,295.66CR Business Reserve account at 07/05/20.

0520/6 CLERK'S REPORT

The report had been sent round before the meeting.

Audit 2019/20. The Council needed to complete a Certificate of Exemption to apply for exemption from a 'limited assurance review' by the External auditor. Neither the income and expenditure of the Council exceeded £25,000 in 2019/20 which allowed it to apply for this exemption as in previous years. 2018/19 was an exception when expenses went over £25,000 and an external audit took place. **Resolved:** The Council agreed the Certificate of Exemption be signed and sent to the External Auditor [PKF Littlejohn].

Zoom. It was noted the monthly subscription for unlimited minutes on Zoom was £11.99 plus VAT. The experience of using Zoom and alternative platforms was discussed briefly. **Resolved:** The Clerk and RC explore the use of simwood.com, a free online platform, and report to the next meeting.

Insurance. The Clerk obtained three annual insurance quotes on the assets and activities of the Council. This is largely for comparison and review of covers as there is a three-year long-term agreement with BHIB that ends 31st May 2021. The 2020/21 renewal is due 1st June 2020. The quotes were from BHIB, Zurich, and Came and Company. BHIB gave the cheapest quote at £336.83 on a blanket cover basis for a local authority with less than 1,000 population and standard assets of £180,000 which is ample for the assets held. The other insurers quoted on a fixed asset basis. The Clerk noted she would do an in-depth exercise next year in particular the covers we should have for historic assets and level of cover needed for various activities. **Resolved: to agree to renew the insurance policy with BHIB to the year ended 31st May 2021 in the sum of £336.83. To note this is the final year of the three-year agreement with BHIB.**

Public Rights of Way Warden and erection of a horse stile on the coastal path above Strete Gate. The Warden had contacted the Clerk to discuss the installation of a horse stile on the path that leads down from turnpike to the beach at Strete Gate. DCC would pay for the works and this was to prevent vehicles from using the coastal path. RC asked if this would affect walkers but it was thought it would not.

Resolved: to reply to the Warden agreeing his proposals for the installation of a horse stile on the coast path.

0520/7 UPDATES ON COVID-19

A report was submitted prior to the meeting.

This report updated the situation in the Village following the Parish Council meeting on 23rd April. Spirit in the community is high with most complying with the instruction to 'Stay at Home, Save the NHS and Save Lives'. As a result, statistics for our area shows that no one has been lost to the Covid 19 virus.

The Village Shop confirmed 16 Volunteers from the community are registered to help out and their names and locality are listed there so the nearest volunteer can be deployed to provide the support requested. Their stock of goods is ample for the needs of the Village and frequent home deliveries take place. Currently they have 39 customers receiving weekly deliveries with some having more than one delivery each week. Orders are placed the day before delivery the following afternoon. Friday and Saturday are their busiest days. Nick Shepherd and Anita McCoy are delivering newspapers to customers in the parish seven days a week. This daily routine has been extremely helpful for members of the community who are self-isolating.

Thanks were recorded to Monica and Andy for their support of the community.

Most prescription requirements are currently being delivered direct by the local surgeries and messages are uploaded to the website daily to help keep everyone informed.

However, it has been challenging interpreting the released restriction changes as the community were required to use their own judgement in respect of the advised safety. Local feedback suggests there are many people from outside the area visiting and camping. There is concern over the lack of facilities in this area under lockdown. In particular Cafés and restaurants remain closed, there are no lifeguards on the beaches and toilets are still closed.

With so many people visiting from outside the area it might be wise to wear face masks in the short-term whilst taking daily exercise, visiting family or collecting goods from the shop. It's important we all continue to undertake appropriate social distancing measures and ensure that we do not gather in groups with people from outside our home. All part of the test and trace process. Remember, our actions can affect others.

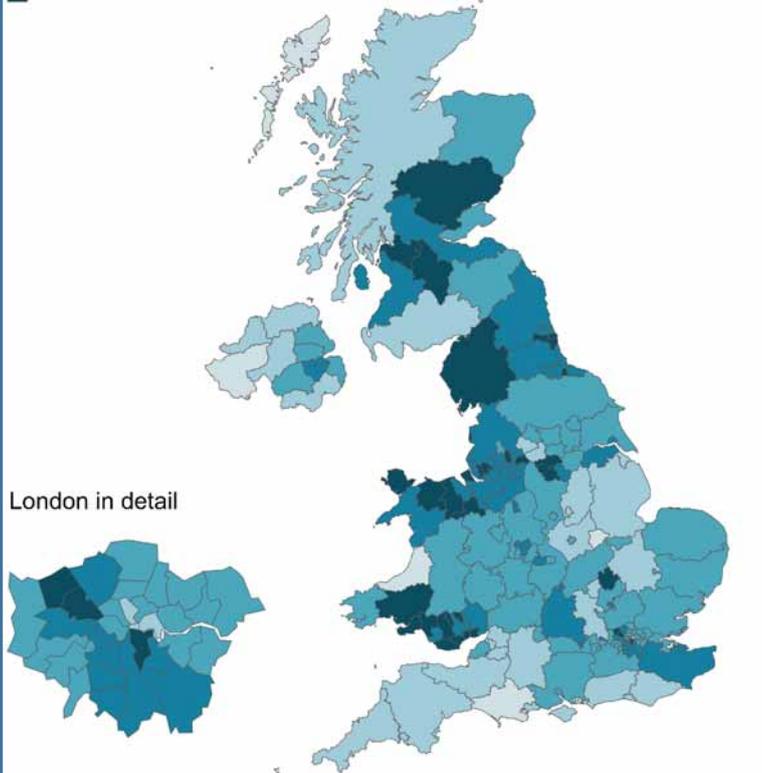
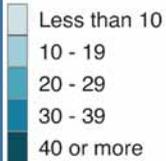
Before you leave your home. 'Think Twice'. Is it necessary, is it safe? Personal responsibility is key to beating Covid 19 and help save lives. The report was received.

0520/8 CHAIR'S REPORT

This report was submitted prior to the meeting. Chair's Report Strete Parish Council 21.05.20 Coronavirus - The advice as before still applies – RISK ASSESS – look around – STAY ALERT.

Confirmed coronavirus cases

Number of cases per 10,000 people



Note: Isles of Scilly cases combined with Cornwall

Source: UK's national public health agencies, updated: 21 Jun

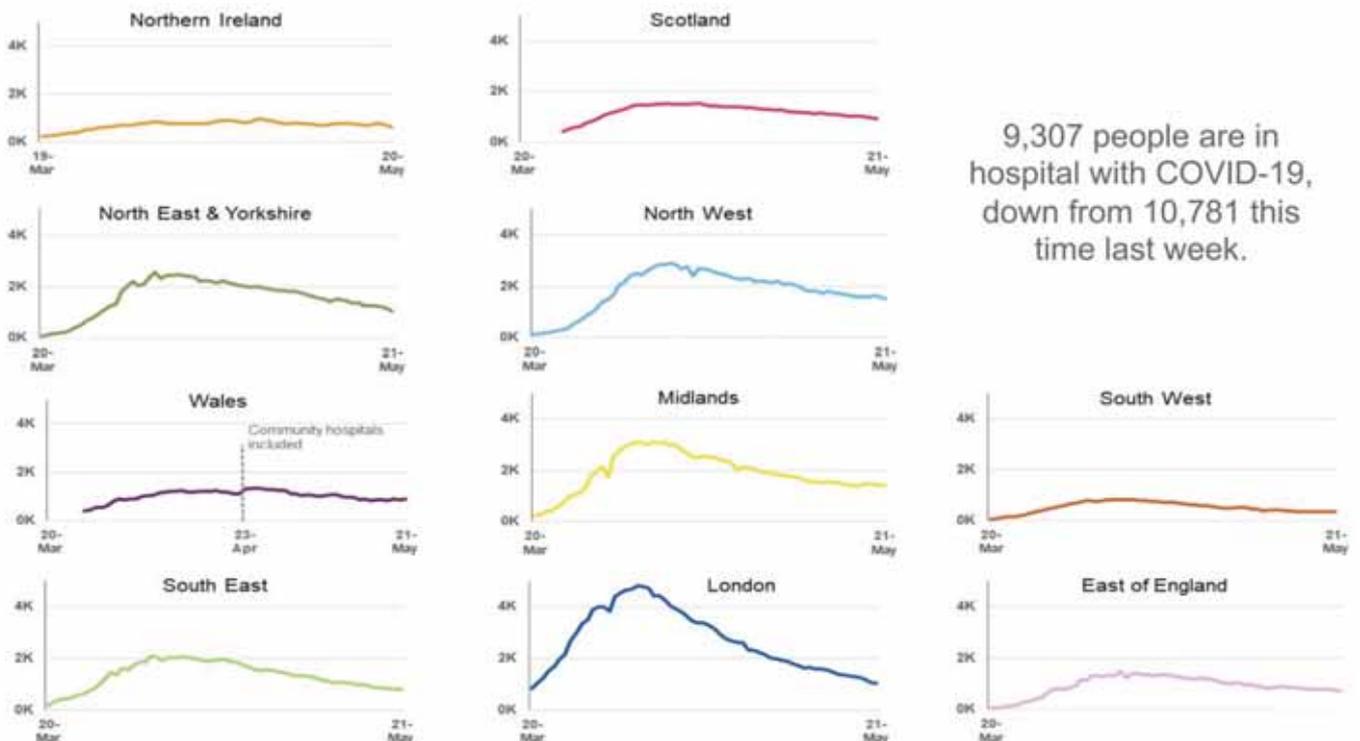


21.05.20 Coronavirus -

The advice as before still applies –
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Going out and about – everyone seems to be making for the beaches now we have partial relief from total Lockdown. The car parks are exceedingly crammed with vehicles and there are mini motorhomes aplenty. We have been very fortunate in the number of cases compared with the rest of the country. Two charts - details taken at the beginning of May – please help it stay that way and help to make it less.

People in Hospital with COVID-19 (UK)



9,307 people are in hospital with COVID-19, down from 10,781 this time last week.

On a more cheerful note Strete did have their celebratory VE DAY Beacon.

It was lit for real on 8th May at Manor Farm, by Ian our Beacon Master and attended by Nick and Barbara Shephard as village virtual photographers and yours truly as mini speech maker. Those who had loved ones who served during that time were invited to contribute their stories which have been loaded onto Strete website. Thank you all for your contributions.



Back to earth with a bump – much of our normal business has been temporarily put on hold and I'd like to thank those who have supervised the normal workings of the Parish for their continued work. We await the next moves on the Memorial and the migration to its new home.

Strete Gate kiosk - have been asked to put away their picnic tables for the time being as have other takeaways in the area.

The Play Park – has been locked, sadly some naughty boys decided to break-in by climbing the fence to use the skateboard ramp. I understand they were observed by Jackie Bishop and Ian who also reprimanded them. The grass has also been cut.

During Lockdown – proper - the roads being exceedingly quiet; wild life has taken over. On my allowed travels to Strete twice a day I have regularly seen hares, pheasants and very many other wild birds. Only yesterday I saw the youngest fox cub I have ever seen, about the size of a small cat. It had very fluffy khaki coloured hair and dithered about in the middle of the road while I watched and waited with delight whilst it decided what to do for the best. Eventually it walked to the road side and unsteadily climbed the hedge. It was a magical experience.

I'd like to share with you all a sunset I was lucky to see on my way home
–by way of thanks to all the Parish and Village Teams for their unstinting and continuing contributions.



THANK YOU – STAY SAFE – STAY ALERT

The Chair's report was received.

0520/9 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A report was submitted prior to the meeting. NP Report for PC – May 2020

Mr Dixon advised that he has received a reply from Western Power Distribution (WPD) about relocating the substation at the A379 access to the Cox's Farm Field (CFF) site. In Mr Dixon's opinion the access by the carpark is not suitable to be used for the development without relocating the substation. WPD have said that they would relocate the substation if they were paid to do so and if the "potential developer" provided an alternative freehold site nearby. The Strete Estate (SE) could provide a suitable alternative piece of land nearby. However, to achieve this SE are likely to incur the following costs: -

SE would need to provide a piece of land, probably free of charge

The Developer would be required to pay WPD and SE legal fees.

WPD want to charge £1,500 plus VAT for a survey before they quantify item 5 below. WPD would charge £52,491.71 plus VAT engineering costs for moving the substation. WPD would charge a ransom fee that, currently, is not quantified.

It has been suggested that the engineering cost estimate released by WPD could include 'betterment costs' to upgrade the substation. These should not be part of relocation costs.

WPD advised Mr Dixon that they would require 33% of the difference between the development value and agricultural value in addition to their relocation costs. It has been estimated that a bill of £125,000 in total to WPD could apply for moving the substation. The WPD surveyor has suggested they may be able to reduce the total amount, but it is premature to say by how much.

Mr Dixon has suggested this will make the scheme unviable and makes the point that, by having a link road with 2 access points, the cost from road building and the cost of moving the substation makes a proposed development expensive. In Mr Dixon's opinion the scheme may not be viable from removing the substation relocation cost alone. There may also be a need to reduce the road building cost as well as removing the free carpark cost. Mr Dixon suggests if access through The Plat could be agreed then none of WPD costs need be incurred and there is a better chance of viability. Mr Dixon has asked the Neighbourhood Plan Group (NPG) to amend Policy SNP8 Housing Development Site at Cox's Farm Field to use only The Plat as access to CFF site.

Whilst Mr Dixon intends to discuss SE's viability position with Plymouth City Council Viability Team, he has requested time to pursue discussions with WPD to negotiate a reasonable concession on WPD's ransom before contacting them. Apparently, the Office of the Energy Regulator determines WPD's approach as they are expected to take a commercial position. If the matter were to proceed formally, WPD would instruct a SW based surveyor / valuer to assess the share of the development value that should be paid to them. In that way they will be able to provide an independent

third-party opinion. It is believed that WPD have this ransom negotiation in many development cases and are not afraid to use their commercial advantage.

From the comments above, it seems like the development of Strete NP over the past five years is going backwards. If Mr Dixon's suggestions were to be adopted there would be no benefit to Strete community. The only benefactors would be WPD and SE. The NPG have prepared a detailed NP that meets with the landscape character of the Parish and the sensitive nature of a new housing development in the centre of the hilltop, coastal village of Strete and the AONB.

They have identified the needs of the community to improve well-being in conjunction with the construction design and quantity of new homes to meet new and expanding climate change requirements.

All fully consulted on in accordance with regulations and accepted for examination by SHDC. **Examination suspension has been extended to 31 July 2020.**

Ransom, bullying tactics of WPD and SE must be resisted and they must not be allowed to hold the community of Strete to ransom. The NP is for the betterment of the community of Strete at large. What is needed on CFF site is:

an end to speculative development on a site in the centre of the village

a village car park

an access route from the A379 to The Plat

a sensitive housing development on the CFF site that meets climate change requirements and will secure a car park and access route as set out in the NP.

A discussion then took place on the need to relocate the substation to permit access. Previous conversations with Richard Jackson from DCC Highways suggested current access would be wide enough for normal traffic without the need to move the substation. It was also mooted that the substation could be decommissioned and that at Hynetown brought on instead. It was also suggested the Parish Council would like WPD to inspect the state of the substation which was quite overgrown and rundown and that Council members might like to do their own inspection.

It was resolved RC contact WPD and write to Charles Dixon to make them aware of the opinion of the highways officer on the need to widen access. At a future date to arrange an inspection by the Parish Council of the state of the substation. The NP report was received.

0520/10 UPDATE ON THE SLAPTON LINE

No report had been sent and there was no report from the County Councillor.

0520/11 UPDATE ON CONTRACTS

KG asked for an update on the sweeper contract. RC intended for works to start before the summer school holiday so by the end of July. KG thought it may be a bit early with lockdown rules still partially in place. A discussion took place.

Resolved: RC to talk to Brookings about doing sweeper work in July.

A report was submitted prior to the meeting.

At the time of writing, we still await a response from SHDC regarding our application for the renewal of the ACV.

In the event that the ACV is granted, one of the necessities required is to have ready the bones of a business plan developed to a point where it might be rapidly deployed. This is because if the pub were to come onto the market, the ACV only gives the Community six months in which to pull together an offer. It would be difficult to do this from scratch in such a short time.

With this thought in mind, David, Ralph and myself have continued to engage with Andy Edwards with a couple of videoconference sessions. It seems like an age ago now, but you will remember that Andy came along to a PC meeting (pre-Covid) and addressed us with his partner Charlie about their plans to take a ten-year lease on the pub. Since that time, the business outlook has completely changed as a result of the pandemic, and the immediate prospects for re-opening pubs have become rather bleak. Nevertheless, Andy remains interested in the prospect of the Kings Arms being reopened. His partner Charlie has had to focus on ensuring that his main business (Bayards Cove) survives the pandemic and he is no longer directly involved, although he remains interested and has offered technical assistance. The conversations have focused mainly on the viability of various options for how the pub might be operated profitably under a long lease from Mark Hildyard, upon the assumption that Mark will retain ownership. We have asked Nigel Backwith to join in and advise – Nigel is a businessman who lives in the village and was closely associated with advising previous Heavitree leaseholders, and he has priceless knowledge about the likely profitability of the previous operations. Time has moved on and the building work to the rear of the pub has now been completed, the dumb waiter has been removed and the dining room now has an impressive view through continuous glass doors, making it far more attractive for diners. As an unofficial group, we are currently working towards finalising a viable Business Plan taking account of worst case, median and good scenarios, all probably assuming a start in 2021 in order to capture the seasonal trade. Once this is available and has been stress tested, it will be possible to use it as the basis for the Parish to have ready in the event that an opportunity to purchase comes as a result of the ACV, thus satisfying the Parish Council's immediate requirement.

Given the present situation, it seems unlikely that Mark Hildyard will look to put the pub up for sale on the open market, as he is still advertising the pub for long lease and may well be developing the flat (which is not included in the ACV) for use as a holiday lease. It is therefore felt to be unlikely that there will be an opportunity for the community to become owners of the property through the operation of an ACV order for the foreseeable future.

This is not to say that the renewal of the ACV is not needed – it most certainly is required as circumstances change and we must look to the long term in order to protect the Community’s best interests

However, it is possible that upon completion of the business plan, Andy Edwards will wish to go forward and attempt to form a group of interested investors in order to raise the capital to start up an operating venture on a lease basis. Indeed, it is also possible that Mark has other potential parties who may wish to lease – although this seems unlikely given the post-pandemic situation. A number of options are possible in terms of financing such a venture and the makeup and constitution of such a group is at present unclear. An opportunity is likely to open up for investors to come forward in some form. The Parish Council’s call for support for the ACV amply demonstrated that there is interest in financing and operating the pub within the village – there were two dozen offers of financial assistance for a Community venture to purchase to pub under the terms of an ACV.

What is likely come to the table is a very different proposition from community purchase – put simply it would be an operating venture where some of the operating capital would be provided by members of the Community. Whilst a profit motive is unlikely to feature highly – more likely would be the avoidance of making a loss – nevertheless it would be purely a private commercial venture. It seems to me that such a venture might offer the best prospect of getting the pub open next year.

Councillors’ input and discussion is welcomed.

I will continue to report back as the situation develops.

The report was discussed. It was stressed that the support expressed by parishioners for the ACV, and in particular financial support, was distinct from the arrangements outlined here for the drawing up of a business plan for the business operations of the pub under a long lease. **These were two separate initiatives.** However there had been a number of people in the village who expressed support for the pub to reopen. RC suggested the Parish Council might want to endorse the initiative by way of expressing its approval.

GC asked whether a canvas of village support would be only after the **prospective tenant** had exhausted all other potential partners. PH confirmed the **prospective tenant** was considering a number of options from different partners.

RC explained the detail of the business plan is being scrutinised by the Parish Council for its viability. Only then it would be put to the parishioners on whether they would be willing to support this venture. This would be in the form of an open letter and it would be some time before all the detail is firmed up. DR had advised to aim for a reopening of the pub in 2021 to catch the Easter trade.

The report was received

0520/13 STRETE GATE STEPS

IC reported he had contacted Charles Dixon on two occasions by email and once by telephone to raise the issue of the missing steps with the Strete Estate as landowner but had received no reply. Charles Dixon is away until 26th May and IC will await his reply on return. **The report was noted.**

0520/14 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Reports had been circulated prior to the meeting.

KG (Chair) Playpark. This was reported on in 0520/8.

LN Transport and Roads. It has been very quiet on the roads. LN thought there may have been more motorbikes doing wheelies. The verge on the Dartmouth road by the oak tree has been cut by the Council, but the one going out of the village on Totnes road has not yet been cut.

DR Health and Safety. Nothing to report.

IC Rights of Way, tree warden and Strete Gate. Strete Gate. IC noted the Strete Gate car park was phenomenally busy. He was concerned about the heavy usage of the "picnic area" by dog walkers, some professional with a number of charges off the lead running free. This has had an adverse effect on dog fouling and nesting birds/young fledglings at this time of year. These walkers had been asked to at least keep dogs 'in check' but they responded that there were no signs prohibiting their use of the area. **IC suggested tackling the Field Centre to deal with this.**

Rights of Way. The Coast path has been 'strimmed' to make life easier. All footpaths are getting a 'hammering' but wildlife was evident including quite a few Adders.

Tree warden. There had been concern over the Sycamore tree below the Tannen land having been damaged but IC was pleased to report it is of a later-leafing variety. There is a good show of buds on it now. Like most gardens at the moment, it could do with some rain.

RC Planning and Neighbourhood Plan. RC had nothing to add to his earlier report in 0520/9.

PH The VAS sign and local transport liaison. VAS Monitoring. Nothing to report other than to thank Graham for strimming the verge. Operation continues. **Local transport liaison.** Nothing to report.

GC Village Green. The village field had been cut again in May and will be recut later in the month as growth has been quick. The gatepost is being replaced by Chris Ellis as soon as he has time.

The barriers in Prideaux Lane are both in place, and keys have been cut and are being given out today (18th May) to all the users of the bridleway. Devon CC have been informed. It has been a useful thing to do, as last week one of the residents from Seven Cottages had a near miss when walking on Prideaux Lane with her

10-month-old son, when a car with several young lads came down the path. That won't happen again.

Small notices giving Strete Clerk's phone number in case of emergency will be ordered. Quotes of £20 plus VAT or £25 plus VAT were cited for plastic or metal signs.

Resolved: for durability to order the metal signs at £25 plus VAT.

GC observed, repairing the Lane where it is badly rutted was proving difficult and Greenspace's roller wasn't effective. However, a complete tractor rotovation of the path would mean it was difficult to walk on for a good while. GC suggested a larger self-propelled machine, just to rotovate the ruts, would make the path passable. Jewson would hire one out at a cost of £101 for the day. Alternatives were discussed. **It was resolved IC would look into a tractor with a yard scraper which might do the job.**

0520/15 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was circulated as it was received. The Clerk observed the majority of emails received continued to focus on the ongoing COVID-19 emergency. These were forwarded to councillors and placed on the website as appropriate for public viewing.

0520/16 REPORTS Councillors had nothing to add.

0520/17 THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 18 JUNE 2020 AT 7.00 PM ON ZOOM.

THE MEETING WAS CLOSED at 7.50 p.m.

Signed: Cllr Kate Gill (Chair)

Dated: 18 JUNE 2020

ACTION POINTS: Clerk: to provide the monitoring statements for the website; to get the Certificate of Exemption signed and sent to the External Auditor [PKF Littlejohn]; with RC to explore the use of simwood.com, a free online platform, and report to the next meeting; to renew the insurance policy with BHIB to the year ended 31st May 2021 in the sum of £336.83; to reply to the Warden agreeing his proposals for the installation of a horse stile on the coast path.

IC: to look into a tractor with a yard scraper to deal with the ruts on Prideaux Lane.

RC: to contact WPD and write to Charles Dixon to make them aware of the opinion of the highways officer on whether there was a need to widen access at Cox's Farm Field; to talk to Brookings about doing sweeper work in July; with the Clerk to explore the use of simwood.com, a free online platform, and report to the next meeting.

GC: to order the metal signs at £25 plus VAT for the entrances at Prideaux Lane.



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The Seasons

The astronomical start of a season is based on the position of the Earth in relation to the Sun. The start of each season is either a solstice (for winter and summer) or an equinox (for spring and autumn). A solstice is when the Sun reaches the most southerly or northerly point in the sky, while an equinox is when the Sun passes over Earth’s equator. Because of leap years, the dates of the equinoxes and solstices can shift by a day or two over time, causing the start dates of the seasons to shift. The Earth takes approximately 365¼ days to go around the Sun. This is why we have a leap year every four years to add another day to our calendar.

Year	Vernal equinox	Autumnal equinox	Leap year?
2020	20 March, 3.50am	22 September, 1.30pm	Yes
2021	20 March, 9.37am	22 September, 7.21pm	No

The precise time of the equinoxes are not the same each year they will occur about six hours later each year, with a jump of a day (backwards) on leap years.

Northern Hemisphere		Months	Southern Hemisphere	
Astronomical	Meteorological		Meteorological	Astronomical
Winter	Winter	January	Summer	Summer
Winter	Winter	February	Summer	Summer
Winter	Spring	March	Autumn	Summer
Spring	Spring	April	Autumn	Autumn
Spring	Spring	May	Autumn	Autumn
Spring	Summer	June	Winter	Autumn
Summer	Summer	July	Winter	Winter
Summer	Summer	August	Winter	Winter
Summer	Autumn	September	Spring	Winter
Autumn	Autumn	October	Spring	Spring
Autumn	Autumn	November	Spring	Spring
Autumn	Winter	December	Summer	Spring

The Earth rotates on its axis once each day, producing the cycle of day and night. Earth also moves around the Sun on its orbit over the course of a year. The axis of rotation of the Earth is not lined up with the axis of motion around the Sun it is tilted slightly at 23.44°. This tilt means that during one half of the year the North side of the Earth is tilted slightly towards the Sun and the South is tilted away. At the exact moment that the northern hemisphere is most tilted towards the Sun,



the northern hemisphere experiences its summer solstice while the southern hemisphere has its winter solstice. Approximately six months later, the northern hemisphere has its winter solstice while the southern hemisphere is in its summer solstice. The Equinox and the Solstice timings determine the astronomical calendar. The Prague Astronomical Clock, which dates back to

the 15th century, features a background illustrating the Earth and sky; an hourly clock; curved lines that represent 1/12 of the time between sunrise and sunset, and a circle with zodiac signs. A small star illustrates the vernal equinox.



The Pollen Seasons: Early in the season reaction to pollen can start as early as January and February from the pollen produced by Hazel and Alder trees. The tree pollen season can continue into late March and mid May lengthened or shortened depending on the weather systems. During the summer months mid May to July grass pollen takes over which overlaps with the weed season and runs through to the late summer months into autumn. Daily pollen counts can vary, on a wet day the pollen is carried to the ground, but the rain recharges flowers and when the sun reappears we get a burst of pollen in the air. Morning and late evening are the peak times for pollen, highest in the evening as the pollen settles back to the ground.

Your GP might prescribe steroids. If steroids and other hay fever treatments do not work, your GP may refer you for immunotherapy. The treatment usually starts in the winter about 3 months before the hay fever season begins.

"Nature of Argillaceous Odour" Isabel Joy Bear and Richard Thomas in 1964.

Petrichor: is the earthy scent produced when rain falls on dry soil. The word is constructed from Greek *petra* "rock", or *petros* "stone", and *īchōrthe*. The smell derives from an oil exuded by certain plants during dry periods, where it is absorbed by clay-based soils and rocks. During rain, the oil is released into the air along with another compound, geosmin, which is emitted by wet soil, producing the distinctive scent.

Strete-wise-Cloud Watching

Our wide panoramic views with expansive seascapes under big skies contribute to a sense of expansiveness in the South Hams. Changing sea conditions and the skies associated with the weather at sea create the dramatic cloudscapes we experience in the South Hams.

There are ten different types of clouds all are based around five Latin terms: cirro-, cumulo-, strato-, nimbo-, and alto-. Cirro- is translated from Latin meaning 'curl', Cumulo- meaning 'heap', Strato- 'layer', Nimbo- meaning 'rain', Alto-meaning 'high'. Most names for clouds are derived from a combination of the Latin prefixes and suffixes, When these names are combined, we can understand the cloud's character. If we combine 'nimbus' and 'stratus' we get 'nimbostratus' - a cloud which is flat and layered and has the potential for rain.

Being able to forecast the weather by reading the clouds is important as the official forecasts don't or can not consider any of the localised topography which can effect and influence the weather.

Observing clouds is a simple way to forecast short-term weather conditions. High, sparsely scattered clouds like cumulus and cirrus clouds generally don't produce precipitation. However, Cumulonimbus clouds are large dense cumulus clouds that grow high into the atmosphere. When they reach a part a level where the air is no longer buoyant, their shape flattens at the top. These anvil-shaped clouds are a strong indication that a thunderstorm is on it's way.

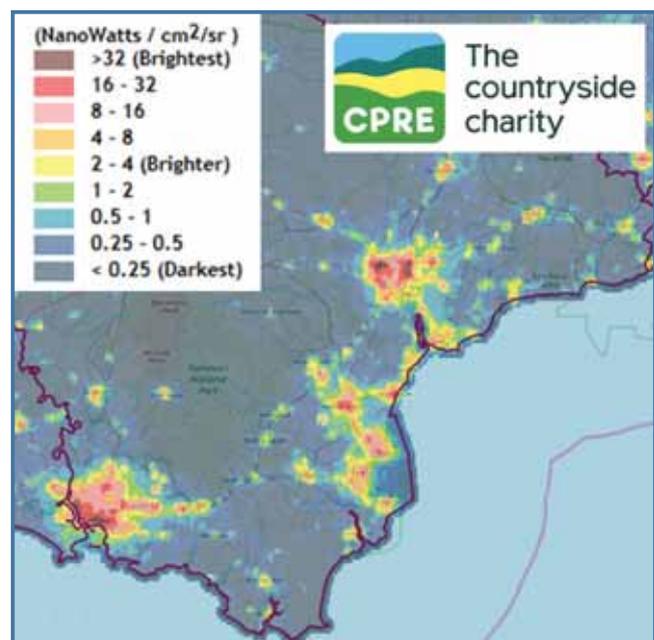
When we have the opportunity to experience a cloudless atmosphere it is the night skies that are awe-inspiring. We are lucky to have dark skies to allow us to appreciate the stars in the majority of the South Hams area. With a mainly rural and coastal environment we do not suffer the 'Night Blight' of more urban county's. However, this does not mean we should not protect these wonderful dark skies.

Does Strete really need street lighting after 1.00 am? Surely the moonlight or a torch a sufficient if your out and about at that time.

Night Blight: Mapping England's light pollution and dark skies . CPRE.

"All generations and cultures have looked up and wondered at the stars. But sadly this part of our shared environment has been degraded. Unless they live in remote rural areas, young people may grow up without ever seeing a truly dark starry sky – and that's a real deprivation."

Lord Martin Rees, Astronomer Royal



High Level Clouds



Cirrus is a genus of cloud generally characterized by thin, wispy strands, giving the type its name from the Latin word cirrus, meaning a ringlet or curling lock of hair.

This cloud can form at any altitude between 16,500 ft and 45,000 ft above sea level.



Cirrus (Ci) – High-altitude, thin, and wispy cloud streaks made of ice crystals.



Cirrocumulus (Cc) – Small, flaky, and white high-altitude cumulus patches.

Cirrostratus (Cs) – Thin, transparent, high-altitude layer capable of producing a halo.

Middle Level Clouds



The bases of clouds in the middle level of the troposphere (the lowest layer of Earth's atmosphere, and is also where nearly all weather conditions take place.), given the prefix "alto," appear between 6,500 and 20,000 feet. Depending on the altitude, time of year, and vertical temperature structure of the troposphere.



Altostratus (As) – Featureless, grey layer cloud capable of masking the sun.



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Nimbostratus (Ns) – Dark and featureless layer cloud responsible for rain and snow.

Low Level Clouds



Low clouds are mostly composed of water droplets since their bases generally lie below 6,500 feet (2,000 meters). However, when temperatures are cold enough, these clouds may also contain ice particles and snow. Nimbus comes from the Latin word meaning "rain". These clouds typically form between 7,000 and 15,000 feet and bring steady precipitation.

As precipitation begins to fall, the base of the clouds lower toward the ground.



Cumulonimbus (Cb) – Dark-based storm cloud capable of impressive vertical growth.



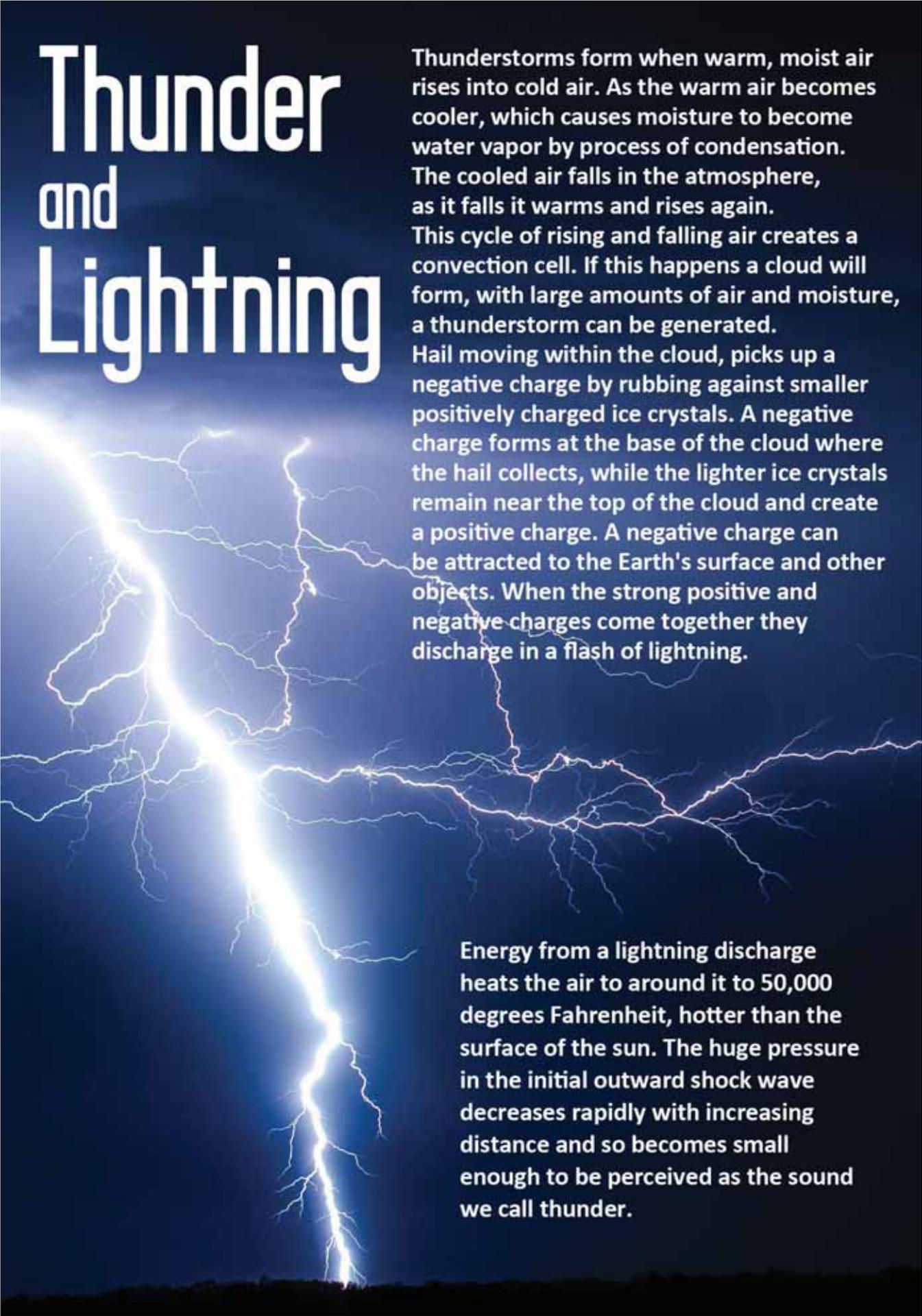
Cumulus (Cu) – Low-altitude, fluffy heaps of clouds with cotton-like appearance.



Stratus (St) – Gray, featureless low-altitude cloud capable of ground contact.

Stratocumulus (Sc) – Thicker, dark grey, and somewhat conjoined heaps of clouds.

Thunder and Lightning



Thunderstorms form when warm, moist air rises into cold air. As the warm air becomes cooler, which causes moisture to become water vapor by process of condensation.

The cooled air falls in the atmosphere, as it falls it warms and rises again.

This cycle of rising and falling air creates a convection cell. If this happens a cloud will form, with large amounts of air and moisture, a thunderstorm can be generated.

Hail moving within the cloud, picks up a negative charge by rubbing against smaller positively charged ice crystals. A negative charge forms at the base of the cloud where the hail collects, while the lighter ice crystals remain near the top of the cloud and create a positive charge. A negative charge can be attracted to the Earth's surface and other objects. When the strong positive and negative charges come together they discharge in a flash of lightning.

Energy from a lightning discharge heats the air to around it to 50,000 degrees Fahrenheit, hotter than the surface of the sun. The huge pressure in the initial outward shock wave decreases rapidly with increasing distance and so becomes small enough to be perceived as the sound we call thunder.



Depiction of Thor at Altuna, Uppland, Sweden, carved around the 11th century.

In many ancient cultures, thunder and lightning gods have been described as the strongest among all the gods. Thunder and lightning play a large role in Greek mythology, with the god of the sky, Zeus, able to harness the elements' power to use as a weapon. He was the ruler of all the Olympian gods and the god of lightning, thunder, law, order and justice. Astrape and Bronte: "Astrapē", "Lightning"; "Brontē", "Thunder" are, in Greek mythology, the twin goddesses of lightning and thunder. As members of Zeus' entourage, they were his shield bearers, given the task of carrying his thunderbolts. In Roman mythology, Fulgora was the female personification of lightning. Norse mythology, the son of god King Odin was Thor, the god of thunder and could summon lightning from his hammer 'Mjolnir'. In Hinduism, Indra was king of the gods as well as lightning.

William Gilbert, court healer to Queen Elizabeth, in the late 1500s, studied static electricity using amber; amber is called *elektron* in Greek, so Gilbert decided to call its effect the *electric force*. He invented the first electrical measuring instrument, the electroscope, in the form of a pivoted needle he called the *versorium*.

June 10, 1752, Benjamin Franklin flies a kite during a thunderstorm and collects the surrounding electrical charge in a Leyden jar (an early form of capacitor), enabling him to demonstrate the connection between lightning and electricity. By conducting the charge into the ground he was providing a safe alternative path for the electrical discharge and eliminating the risk of fires caused by lightning strikes. During the Napoleonic wars, more than 220 British tall ships were damaged--not by the French, but by lightning. The solution would have been to install lightning rods. But since that device had been invented by Franklin a "rebel colonist" His Majesty's Navy steadfastly refused. It took until the 1830's before the admiralty finally saw the light and forgot about old colonial rebellions.



Lightning strikes during the June-September annual monsoon are fairly common in India. At least 107 people have died this year from lightning strikes in northern and eastern India during the early stages of the annual monsoon season.

Thunder and Lightning Facts.

The speed of lightning

While the flashes we see as a result of a lightning strike travel at the speed of light (670,000,000 mph) an actual lightning strike travels at a comparatively gentle 270,000 mph.

This means it would take about 55 minutes to travel to the moon, or around 1.5 seconds to get from London to Bristol.

When lightning strikes a beach

When lightning strikes sand or sandy soil, it fuses together the grains to create a small glass-like tube known as a fulgurite. They are not only prized by collectors, they are also of great scientific value in demonstrating past occurrence of lightning storms. One of the longest fulgurites to have been found in modern times was a little over 4.9 m (16 ft) in length, and was found in northern Florida.



They are formed when lightning with a temperature of at least

1,800 °C (3,270 °F) instantaneously melts silica on a conductive surface and fuses grains together; the fulgurite tube is the cooled product. This process occurs over a period of around one second, and leaves evidence of the lightning path and its dispersion over the surface. They are sometimes referred to as petrified lightning.

The most lightning-struck location in the world

Lake Maracaibo in Venezuela is the place on Earth that receives the most lightning strikes. Massive thunderstorms occur on 140-160 nights per year with an average of 28 lightning strikes per minute lasting up to 10 hours at a time.

That's as many as 40,000 lightning strikes in one night!

Helicopters cause lightning

Recent research from the Met Office revealed that helicopters can cause an isolated lightning strike. While flying, the helicopter acquires a negative charge, so if it flies close to an area that is positively charged (e.g. hail or the base of a cumulonimbus cloud) it can trigger a lightning strike.

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Lightning destroys trees

Trees can often be destroyed by lightning strikes. When lightning hits a tree, it usually travels just below the tree's bark where there is a layer of sap and water. This layer becomes instantly heated and expands causing the bark to be blasted off the tree and sometimes splitting the wood.



But it can help plants grow

While nitrogen is in the air all around us, for plants to be able to absorb it (a process vital for their growth) they rely on a process called Nitrogen fixation.

Although much of this process is done by bacteria and algae, the extreme heat of a lightning strike causes nitrogen to bond with oxygen to create nitrogen oxides which combine with moisture in the air to fall as rain and water plants with nitrate-rich water.

The width of a thumb and hotter than the sun

While the intensity of a lightning strike can make them appear as thick bolts across the sky, the actual width of a lightning bolt is only about 2-3 cm. The average length of a lightning bolt is about 2-3 miles.

The charge carried down this small channel is so intense that the temperature of the lightning reaches 30,000 °C - that's five times hotter than the surface of the Sun.

Counting lightning

To tell how far away a thunderstorm is, simply count the number of seconds between the flash of lightning and the boom of thunder that follows. Divide this number by five and this tells you how many miles away you are from the storm (or divide by three for the distance in kilometres).

Lessons learned

Until the late 18th century it was believed that ringing church bells repelled lightning so many church bells bore the inscription *fulgura frango*, meaning 'I chase lightning'. During a thunderstorm, bell ringers would run to the bell tower to ring the bells. However, a high tower with a metal bell was in fact about the worst place to be. Between 1753 and 1786 in France, 103 bell-ringers were struck by lightning and killed, resulting in the custom being banned.



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Martin Sobey, Chairman of Strete Parish Hall Committee retires.



After several years as Chairman of Strete Parish Hall Committee Martin has decided to retire. He has worked hard and shown great enthusiasm for the Hall. Under his leadership the idea of holding regular monthly events to raise necessary funds to keep the hall maintained and to provide people of the village with different social occasions was introduced. He has helped to organise the annual Village Day and always seemed able to persuade others to provide draw prizes or sponsor an

activity or event. Much has been achieved during his time as Chairman. We now have an industrial dishwasher installed; there is ongoing work to the hall maintenance, inside and out; acoustic panels have been fitted; modern legislation has been monitored and followed; the trees in the hall grounds have been checked for safety reasons and some have been removed. These are just some of the things that have helped update the hall so that it can continue to function and be a central part of the village community.

Thank you, Martin, for all your hard work and enthusiasm.

Penny Penhale (Secretary)

Parish Hall Grounds: Over the last few weeks volunteer gardeners, handy-men and painters have been helping Lesley and Penny to clear the grounds, cut the grass, pressure wash steps and patio and repair and paint the benches and fences: it is all beginning to look brighter and more cared-for.

Thank you: Kerris, Jill, Maggie, Richard, Peter, Tony, Jeff, Phil, David, Jonathan, Roy and Chris. You would be very welcome to come and see what is being done and join us on the patio for coffee (please bring your own) and a chat on a Monday or Thursday morning, weather permitting, at about 10.30. We should love to see you.

Lesley and Penny







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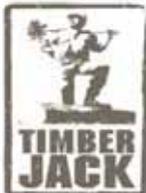
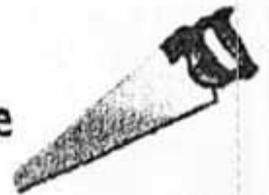
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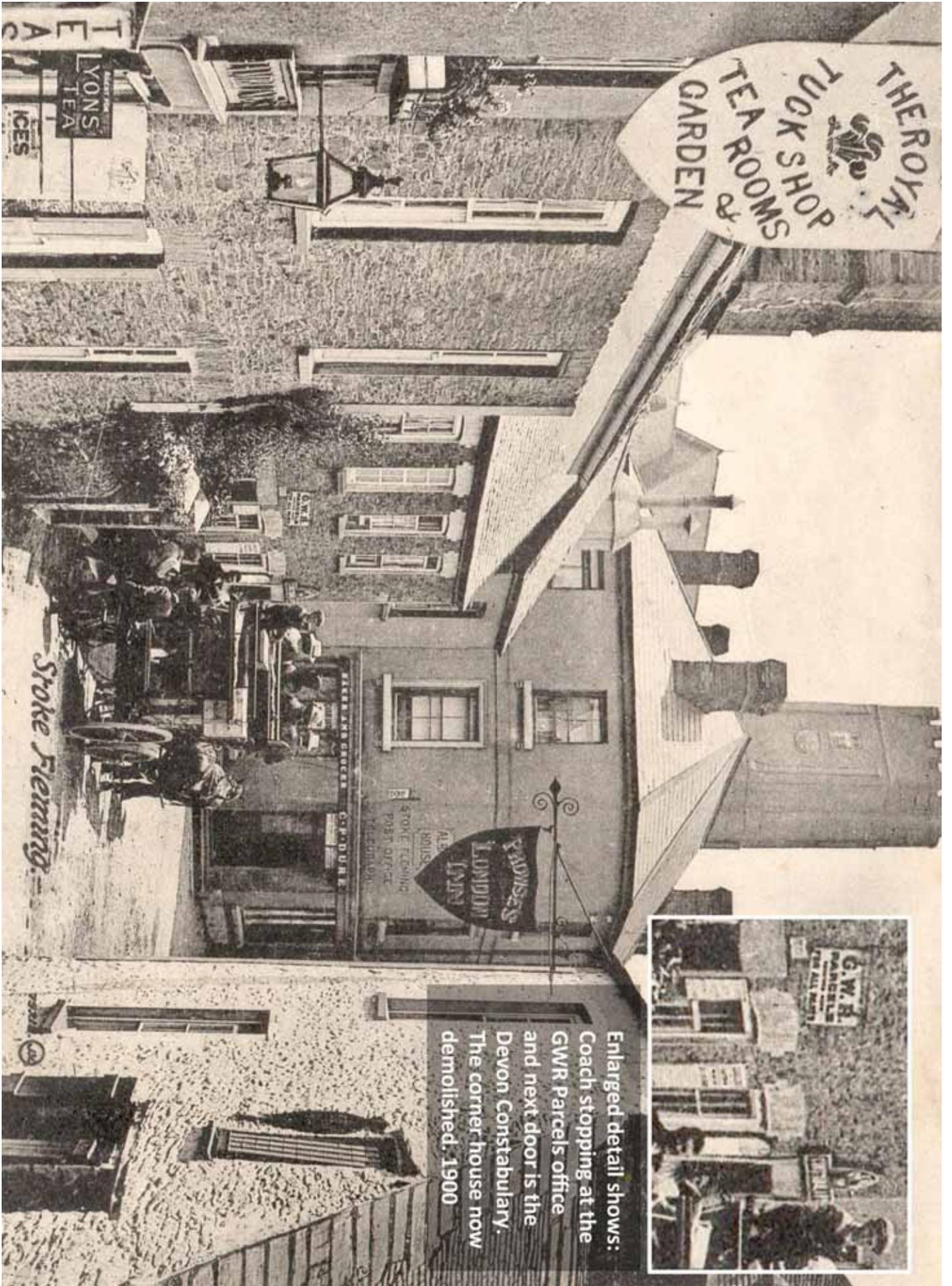


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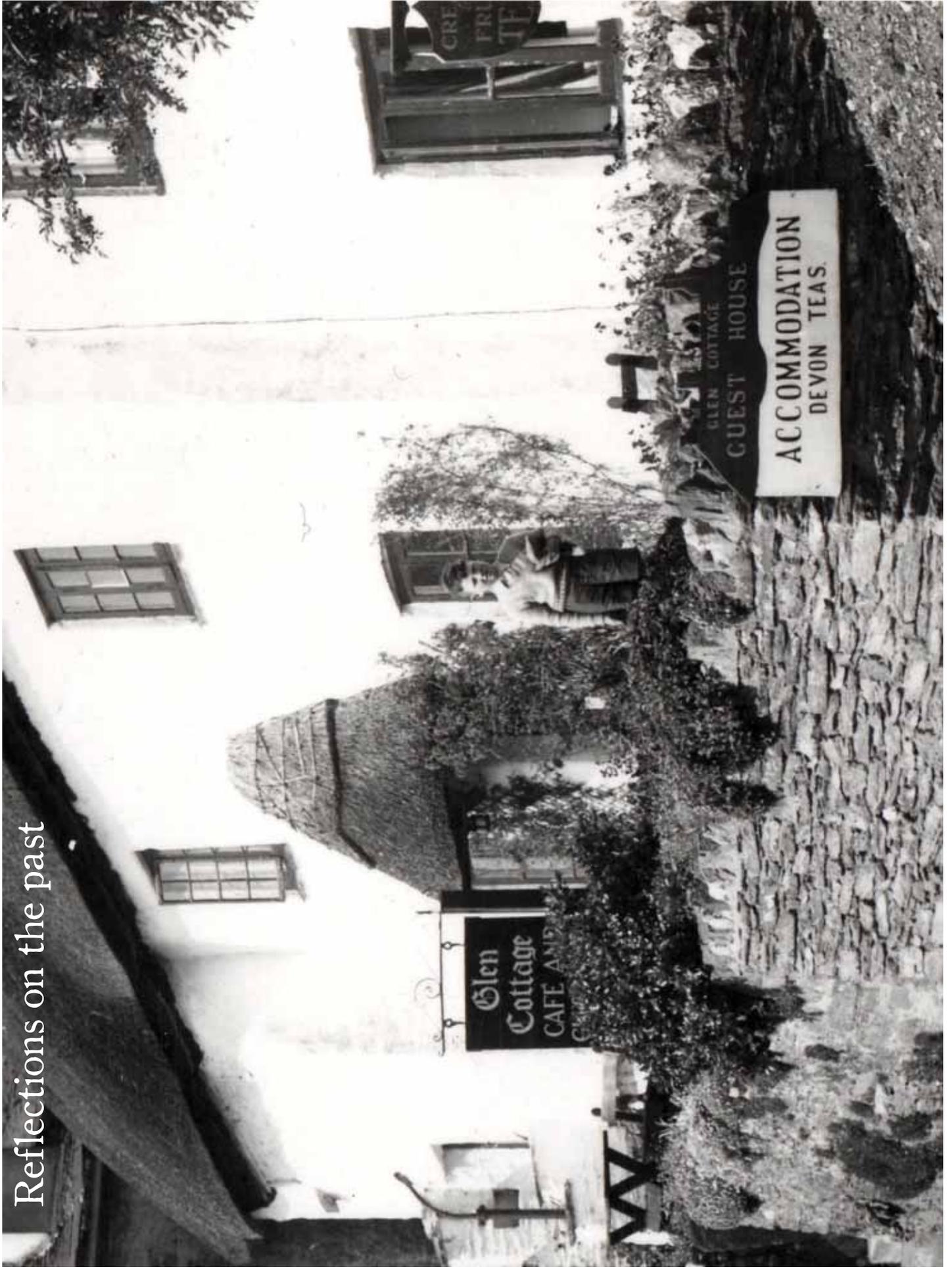
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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF STRETE PARISH COUNCIL (PC) HELD ON ZOOM ON THURSDAY 18 June 2020 AT 7.00 PM

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); Mrs. Helen Darch – Clerk

PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public attended the meeting.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Devon County Council [DCC] has their annual meeting of Full Council on 23rd July. JB had attended a few children's scrutiny meetings. Unfortunately, DCC failed its Children's Services Ofsted just before lockdown. However, Cornwall CC has an outstanding Ofsted in children's Services so DCC intend to learn from them as to how they do it. DCC needs to improve this service in particular for our very vulnerable children.

Report on the District council [SHDC]. The Executive met this morning and received reports from other committees: Overview and Scrutiny and the Development Management Committee. SHDC is looking at a way to 'Bring it back Better'. To this end there will be workshops from now until early September when there is another

round of committee meetings leading to the Full Council. Hopefully by September if COVID doesn't come back there should be a clearer picture as to what the finances of the District council look like. The main places where SHDC is losing quite sizeable amounts of money are parking, and planning. There is concern about the collection rate of Council Tax because people are struggling even if they are getting furlough payments. There is going to be a lot of financial pressure on the Council and how they deal with it. **The report was received.**

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

SHDC is slowly sending out the latest tranche of monies to local small business applying for grants. A list of those eligible is on the website. Of course, people who paid business rates should have had a fair sum of money [*unless their RV was above £51,000*]. Judy Pearce has put a piece in the local press to encourage people to shop local to support the local businesses. This has ground to a halt in recent times.

SHDC is trying to get all the carparks and all the toilets up and running. Strete Gate and Torcross were among the first with all the problems down there. JB and I made it clear we were very unhappy with the mess we've had on Slapton Line. There is talk about issues with toilets and I am certain it will come up again.

We will have another budget in September when we are more certain about what is going on. The approved budget is now out of date. Fortunately, our 's151 officer' [*officer responsible for the proper administration of the Council's financial affairs*] is very good at finding spare funds. Because of the way the council has been run in recent years we are in a good financial state. And our council tax is not high compared with other councils. So, the efficiencies we made in the past two or three years were painful but we were able to work remotely during the pandemic.

The last joint scrutiny meeting expressed the need for recognition on how hard parish councils and all the local groups had got together and helped those that weren't so well off and make sure that people were looked after. The community came together fantastically well everywhere. It was really impressive. JB and I were part of a group in this area to sort out any problems and most of the problems were sorted out very much locally which was brilliant. So that's worth mentioning and minuted just how well people pulled together. **The report was received.**

0620/1 APOLOGIES – No apologies were received.

0620/2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 21 MAY 2020

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

0620/3 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. **None were declared.**

0620/4 PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS

1467/20/HHO. Householder application for loft conversion. 41 Start Bay Park Strete TQ6 0RY. The Council was **consulted** on this application prior to this going to SHDC for decision. Councillors debated the application and considered a number of aspects. RC wanted to ensure the development took place in accordance with the submitted and approved plans. It was agreed to make this a comment on the consultation when it was submitted. **It was resolved to support the application [5 in support and two abstained] with the comment as noted.**

0620/5(a) FINANCE

The Clerk supplied the meeting with a list of cheques for payment. Invoices had been scanned and sent to all councillors electronically before the meeting.

1720 – Clerk salary June £249.	1721 – Reimburse Mr N Backwith costs for obtaining accounts in con-
1722 – Reimburse Clerk for payment made by card for annual insurance renewal £336.83 to BHIB as agreed under minute 0520/06.	1723 – Mr CML and Mrs CMK Toll Strete Estate annual rent for playing field at Strete £1.00.
1724 – Greenspace for grass cutting November 2019 to May 2020 inclusive £713.30.	

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

0620/5(b) FINANCE

A monitoring report for 2020/21 had been circulated already along with a cashflow projection. The projection to the end of July 2020 gave CR8,514.60. It was agreed the latest monitoring should be published on the website.

Resolved the Clerk would provide the monitoring statements for the website.

0620/5(c) FINANCE

Cash at bank – £11,194.85CR Current account at 08/06/20, £10,297.30CR Business Reserve account at 08/06/20

0620/6 CLERK'S REPORT

The report had been sent round before the meeting.

a. Audit 2019/20. The accounts for 2019/20 had been sent to the Internal auditor to review procedures. He had signed them off and reviewed the other two sections of the AGAR completed by the Clerk and RFO [Responsible Financial Officer – the Clerk for Strete]. The Council was requested, if happy, to approve [in order] the Annual Governance Statement 2019/20 (AGAR Section 1 [p5]) and Accounting

Statements 2019/20(AGAR Section 2 [p6]).

Resolved to approve the AGAR sections as described and arrange for these to be signed by the Chairman, RFO and Clerk. The Clerk to confirm if the Samsung Galaxy tablet had been written off.

b. Meeting platforms. A free platform simwood.com had been trialled by a number of councillors and the Clerk. After discussion it was decided councillors were used to Zoom now. **Resolved the Council continue to use Zoom as the meeting platform as long as it was necessary to meet online.**

c. Public Space Protection orders [PSP]. The Clerk had passed on an email from SHDC which invited individuals to respond to consultation on the existing PSP orders which govern the handling of dogs. Views could be made by the **31st July on the following link.** <https://www.engagement.southhams.gov.uk/pspo>. **This was noted.**

d. Councillor advocate scheme. Information had been circulated on the opportunity to nominate a councillor to meet with the local police on a quarterly basis. This would be to discuss local policing issues and also have access to the Commissioner's Office. **Resolved: KG** to take on the role.

e. Coming out of lockdown. The Clerk reported on the latest government advice on the pandemic and permitted activity dated 15th June. It was noted the playpark had to remain closed until further advice. The Village Green had remained open during the lockdown under cautionary guidance. **The report** was received.

0620/7 UPDATES ON COVID-19

A report was submitted prior to the meeting. An email was received from the Council for Voluntary Service on behalf of DCC enquiring local needs for PPE over the next few months. The Village Shop confirmed a need for 100 face masks and 100 pairs of disposable gloves. With more people visiting from outside the area it would be wise to wear face masks in the short-term whilst taking daily exercise, visiting family or collecting goods from the shop.

Ongoing support for the community from the team at the Village Shop continues. The shop has seen an increase in visitors and has a screen in place at the counter. They are also able to now take contactless payment.

Nick Shepherd and Anita McCoy continue to deliver newspapers to customers in the parish seven days a week.

The South Hams area is amongst the lowest in the country in terms of people needing treatment for Covid 19.

National and local news items are uploaded to the website regularly to help keep everyone informed of the latest situation regarding restrictions. Interpreting the restriction changes continues to be a challenge. The community must use their own judgement to interpret government guidelines and what restrictions they consider necessary for their own safety. 'Think Twice'. Is it necessary, is it safe? Personal

responsibility is key to beating Covid 19. Local feedback suggests more visitors have arrived in the area. Lifeguards are back on our beaches and toilets are now open. However, cafés and restaurants remain closed. It's important we continue to undertake appropriate social distancing measures and comply with any new recommendations as they are released. **The report was received.**

0620/8 CHAIR'S REPORT

This report was submitted prior to the meeting.

Chair's Report Strete Parish Council 18.06.20. Coronavirus - The advice as before still applies – RISK ASSESS – look around – STAY ALERT even though restrictions are not quite as draconian. We are now required to wear masks on public transport and any visit made to a hospital and continue to social distance. The leisure world is anticipating opening up during the first few days of July – so we wait for the go-ahead. I understand that the R value will be discontinued. Here, we have been lucky in the low number of cases we have had in the South West.

Public - thoughtless behaviour. Since our last meeting we have had some very dangerous situations to deal with. I have been fortunate enough because of my occupation to drive around legitimately. I have taken the opportunity to check out items around the village, checking into the information hub Strete Post Office and at Strete Gate. During the hot weather on one of my tours at Strete Gate, the car park was totally rammed with vehicles of all shapes and sizes; with 4x4's parked on the banks and others double parked preventing legally parked cars from exiting their spaces.

Added to this on 3rd June we had a spike of rubbish deposits some of which were potentially very dangerous. The rubbish consisted of half used barbeques, waste food and strings of fishing line with hooks. I consequently contacted Anthony Mangnall our M.P. and Julian Brazil for advice - help and information. Both of whom responded magnificently.

I'm sorry to say I was reminded of the day in 1976 when someone lit a BBQ at the bottom of Old Road which ignited the whole of the lane and the field above it. At the time Colin and I owned Homelands which was in direct line of the fire. Sufficient to say we were all evacuated and my father's race horse which was in the burning field had to be rescued. Eight fire engines attended the blaze. That particular day returned to haunt me with a potential vision of vehicles catching fire and exploding fuel tanks. Fortunately, we have had some rain since then and the immediate re-occurrence of such an event has receded. Subsequently I have been in contact with Denise Vigars who has provided me with contacts/advice. Last night I received a telephone call from Anthony Mangnall who kindly thanked me for the concerted efforts the Parish and Parishioners are making to keep everyone safe.

The Play Park – has remained locked and will be until we have notification that we

can open it again. The fact that it is locked does not stop youngsters from climbing the fence for access to the skateboard ramp. 'Naughty'! The grass has been cut again by the contractor.

Thanks. I now take the opportunity to thank Helen our Clerk for the wonderful job she does. I received an email from our internal auditor Nick Shepherd informing me that he had completed the audit for us for 2019/2020. I quote with his permission from his email: - "I would like to pay tribute to Helen for keeping such good records and in particular the work she has done on the Fixed Asset register. Well done Helen!" I would also like to thank my fellow Parish Councillors for being up to the mark especially in these weird times. **Thanks also go to all the helpers who have enabled us to keep safe** – by checking on those who have been in lockdown, delivering food orders, collecting prescriptions and being mindful of the social distancing if making direct contact. WELL DONE EVERYONE – Thank you. **Resolved the Clerk to ask SHDC to empty the bins down at Strete Gate on a more regular basis particularly in the high season. The Chair's report was received.**

0620/9 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A report was submitted prior to the meeting.

NP Report for PC – June 2020

At the Parish Council meeting in May councillors expressed concern with the details provided by Strete Estate in connection with costs provided by Western Power Distribution for moving the electric sub-station near the A379.

Concern was expressed as to its safety as the sub-station housing appears to have been left to deteriorate and shows no sign of recent entry for routine maintenance, etc.

In addition, the location map provided by WPD identifies a sub-station near the access to The Ark property in Hynetown Road that is linked to the sub-station in CFF near the A379. It was suggested that the sub-station may no longer be necessary. It was agreed that contact be made with WPD to arrange a site meeting to inspect the sub-station for safety and the necessity of its use. It was also agreed that Mr Dixon be informed of the concerns and the intention to write to WPD as he is in negotiations with them.

In addition, Mr Dixon was to be advised of previous correspondence with the Senior Highways Development Management Officer for Devon County Council, when it was suggested that the current A379 access would be wide enough for normal traffic without the need to move the substation as it could be used as a private road together with the required visibility splay for safe access onto the A379. However, the access would not be adopted by Devon C.C. This forms part of the evidence requested by SHDC to support Policy SNP8 in Strete Neighbourhood Plan.

Email correspondence was sent to Mr Dixon on 11/06/2020 detailing the above.

A reply was received on 12/06/2020 requesting sight of any proposed correspondence between Strete PC and WPD before sending.

After contacting Duncan Smith (SHDC) and SNPG members this was sent to Mr Dixon on 16/06/2020.

Mr Dixon responded with the following:-

“At a recent Parish Council meeting, councillors expressed concern as to the safety of the sub-station (WPD ref 34/2614) which WPD own within land owned by Strete Estate managed by Savills in land accessed by the private pub carpark in the centre of Strete, near Dartmouth.

The housing of the substation appears to have been left to deteriorate with significant overgrowth and shows no sign of recent entry for routine maintenance, etc. Please see attached photographs.

In addition, the attached map provided by WPD identifies a sub-station (WPD ref 34/3807) near the access to The Ark property in Hynetown Road. This sub-station is in a more modern, substantial housing and, from the map provided, appears to be linked to the sub-station on Strete Estate land near the pub carpark.

Parish Councillors are promoting a development scheme on Strete Estate private land through the draft Neighbourhood Plan. Savills have recently been in touch with you about the costs of moving the substation in order to satisfy the Councillors wish to have two road access routes into the new development.

However, Parish councillors wish to investigate ways of reducing the costs of moving the substation 34/2614 and wish to enquire if the sub-station on land owned by Strete Estate near the former pub carpark is still required.

Representatives from the Parish Council would be prepared to meet with you in the village to discuss their safety concerns.

As this enquiry concerns land and property in private ownership please can you copy your reply to Savills as agents for the owners of the land concerned. Please advise by return.”

It is hoped this will assist Mr Dixon in his negotiations with WPD and that this will enable the viability assessment he is undertaking to be completed before the 31 July 2020.

In Mr Dixon’s opinion the suggestion that the access onto the A379 could be used as a private access to the development and proposed car park is not workable. SHDC advise the choice of whether the road is private or adopted lies with the developer and will be part of the viability calculations. Devon CC Highways views need to be taken into account to do this. **The NP report was received.**

0620/10 ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE

A report was submitted prior to the meeting.

SHDC have indicated that they are minded to approve the issue of an extension order for a period of a further five years. The freeholder now has a period of 8 weeks in which to object, before the order is made.

However, SHDC informed us the application which the PC made for this extension inadvertently excluded both the flat above the pub and the car park. SHDC have pointed out that the previous ACV included the car park with the pub and have asked if there is an error, and how we wish to proceed. I hope that Councillors will agree with me that this is an error, and that we wish that any ACV should protect both the car park and the pub. The pub needs to have the car park in order to attract trade from customers using vehicles as well as locals. There is also the thought that if there is no ACV for the car park it might be offered for sale to a developer. I ask that we all vote to make the necessary change to our application so that the car park is included in the ACV.

It will be necessary for SHDC to carry out a further 8-week consultation in order to make this change, but this period will run concurrently with the freeholder's objection period and so will have little overall timescale effect.

As disclosed last month, a group of interested parties are continuing to discuss the formation of an organisation capable of taking a lease and operating the pub. I understand that this is most likely to result in the formation of a Community Benefit Society, which will allow a public offer for investment in shares by villagers, a say in the operation of the venture by community shareholders and the ability for volunteers to come forward and help. It is likely that the group will shortly formally approach the Parish Council for community support and assistance.

Having participated in the early discussions of this group I have now stood down from the emerging organising committee. **Resolved: the carpark to be included in the application. The Clerk to confirm with SHDC what next steps were required to resubmit.**

0620/11 PROBLEMS WITH LITTER, FLY TIPPING, BEACH FIRES

A report was submitted prior to the meeting.

Since lockdown came in there have been persistent issues with rubbish piling up at the recycling waste banks outside Manor Farm which have become full on a regular basis, more so than before lock down. In relation to the litter problem and the recent relaxation of lockdown, SHDC put out a number of social media messages on taking rubbish home and not leaving it behind. Fly tipping has also taken place with rubbish bags strewn all over the area by the two banks. A number of locals have kindly reported full banks and fly tipping.

KG wrote to JB on the Council's concerns and the Community Response Team at SHDC responded with a number of useful contacts [dated 5th June] and an update on services. All recycling centres have reopened. Also fly tipping can be reported on <https://www.devon.gov.uk/wasteandrecycling/fly-tipping/>. SHDC is responsible for household waste and recycling collections, including bulky item collections, missed collections and replacement containers. reporting litter collections and full banks.

<https://apps.southhams.gov.uk/webreportit>. The Devon & Somerset Fire and Rescue Service provides useful advice on their site on outside fires and how to prevent wildfires. **The report was received.**

0620/12 UPDATE ON CONTRACTS

A report was submitted prior to the meeting giving a quote from Brooking Hire dated 10 March 2020 with an update on negotiations in June 2020. The original quote had been for £2160 + tipping costs. RC spoke to Brooking Hire on 12/06/2020 to advise a budget of £1,500 and to confirm availability around the 3rd week of July. A schedule of works was listed to include the A379, Totnes Road and the main estates. **Resolved: RC to reply to the contractor and arrange a date for works to be done. RC to arrange a letter drop to parishioners to let them know when the sweeper would pass through and to have cars off the road.**

0620/13 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Reports had been circulated prior to the meeting.

KG (Chair) Playpark. Reported on in 0620/8. **Resolved: The Clerk obtain quotes for new signage at the playpark.**

LN Transport and Roads. A parishioner had emailed his concern at the removal of a 'No Through Road' sign at the top of the lane down to Hansel and Orestone. DCC wanted the sign to be removed as the road was public access. Councillors agreed due to the poor state of the road it would be inadvisable to remove this sign. The road between Dartmouth and Halwell from Gardentime to Woodlands is closed therefore there is no access onto this road from the Totnes Road out of Strete. LN also reported on the benches and recently checked the one going out of Strete and it is fine. There is another beside the oak tree on the A379 below the village green, the one at the top of Old Hill was due to be repaired. The 3 milestones had been inspected and were all fine.

DR Health and Safety. Nothing to report.

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. The majority of users were clearing up after their dogs. **Tree warden.** The Sycamore on the roadside bank adjacent to the Tannen land, had caught up, leaf-wise, with the other trees nearby. Most trees are 'happier', now that they have had some rain. **After discussion it was resolved IC/The Clerk confirm if there was a tree preservation order on the trees at the Old Coach House [Tallis Rock].**

Strete Gate. There had been considerable activity with beach-users, campers, campervans, excessive numbers of dogs, and litter-droppers. IC noted the vast amount of rubbish generated by users of the car park. IC gave an update on the possible replacement of the access steps below the car-park entrance where he was in 'discussion' with the agent for the Strete Estate, and the appropriate section of S.H.D.C.

The seat at the top of Old Hill. IC had looked at replacing the missing seat with PVC timbers but decided hardwood was more durable. He offered to acquire prices of timber replacement for the PC's approval.

RC Planning and Neighbourhood Plan. Councillors briefly discussed the recent Planning Performance Agreement [PPA] entered into by SHDC with a local developer. It was noted the PPA followed the National Planning Policy Framework guidelines on streamlining the planning process. RC also signalled his intention to send SHDC the draft letter circulated in May to councillors which expressed concern over planning decisions made by SHDC which concerned Strete Parish. **Resolved: RC to update the draft letter and send to the Head of Planning at SHDC.**

PH The VAS sign and local transport liaison. VAS Monitoring. Nothing to report. The unit is operating at the preferred location opposite Manor Farm. **Local transport liaison.** Stagecoach service No.3 reverted to normal from 14th June, with an approximately hourly service in each direction on weekdays.

Parish Benches. PH gave a brief report on the condition of all the benches in the Parish following an email from a parishioner reporting on the state of the bench at Skerries. He suggested maintenance work on nearly all the assets, to be found from the present budget. The location of various assets was discussed. The location of the seat at Old Hill was discussed with a view on its position and road traffic. It was decided this was not a dangerous location but the seat did need to be replaced. **It was resolved IC obtain costs for the repairs and report back.**

GC Village Green The village field is in good condition and being cut well. There have been a number of suggestions re flattening Prideaux Lane after the damage of the winter. We are still waiting for Greenspace and others to come back with offers of equipment to push the soil back into the ruts, a planer attachment to a tractor seems to be the best option. Signs have been put up near the locked barriers in the lane giving contact details for the Parish Clerk in case of an emergency need of the key.

0620/14 CORRESPONDENCE

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

0620/15 REPORTS

DR expressed concern over a blind corner opposite The Old Vicarage where walkers on the coast path could not see the road traffic on the A379. A number of solutions were discussed including signage and mirrors. **Resolved: The Clerk approach Paul McFadden the Rights of Way Officer to discuss this. Also, the wall breach for works at the Old Vicarage will need to be monitored.**

The poor state of guttering and slates on the bus shelter was raised. **Resolved: The Clerk get quotes for repairs.** A brief discussion took place on the 'S' bend down at

Landcombe and road safety. **Resolved the Clerk go back to Highways on the speed limit at the bend out of the village.**

PH asked for confirmation on whether a programme of works would take place on the benches. **Resolved: DR to approach Phil Cruse to ask him to quote on the works required.**

0620/16 THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 16 JULY 2020 AT 7.00 PM ON ZOOM UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED.

THE MEETING WAS CLOSED at 8.40 p.m.

Signed: Cllr Kate Gill (Chair)

Dated: 16 JULY 2020

ACTION POINTS: The Clerk to provide the monitoring statements for the website; to arrange for the AGAR to be signed by the Chairman, RFO and Clerk; to confirm if the Samsung galaxy tablet had been written off; to ask SHDC to empty the bins down at Strete Gate on a more regular basis particularly in the high season; to confirm with SHDC what next steps were required to resubmit the ACV; to confirm if there was a tree preservation order on the trees at the Old Coach House [Tallis Rock]; to approach Paul McFadden the Rights of Way Officer on the blind corner opposite The Old Vicarage; to look at quotes to do these repairs to the bush shelter; to obtain quotes for new signage at the playpark; to go back to Highways on the speed limit out of the village toward Landcombe. KG to take on the role of police liaison.

IC to obtain costs for the repairs to the bench at Old Hill and report back.

RC to reply to Brookings and arrange a date for sweeping works to be done; to arrange a letter drop to parishioners to let them know when the sweeper would pass through and to have cars off the road; to update the draft letter on local planning applications in relation to the parish and send to the Head of Planning at SHDC.

DR to approach Phil Cruse to ask him to quote on a programme of works to the benches required. All: keep an eye on the wall breach at the Old Vicarage.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Updates

www.strete.org.uk website which is managed by Strete Parish Council, has regularly updated information regarding COVID-19.



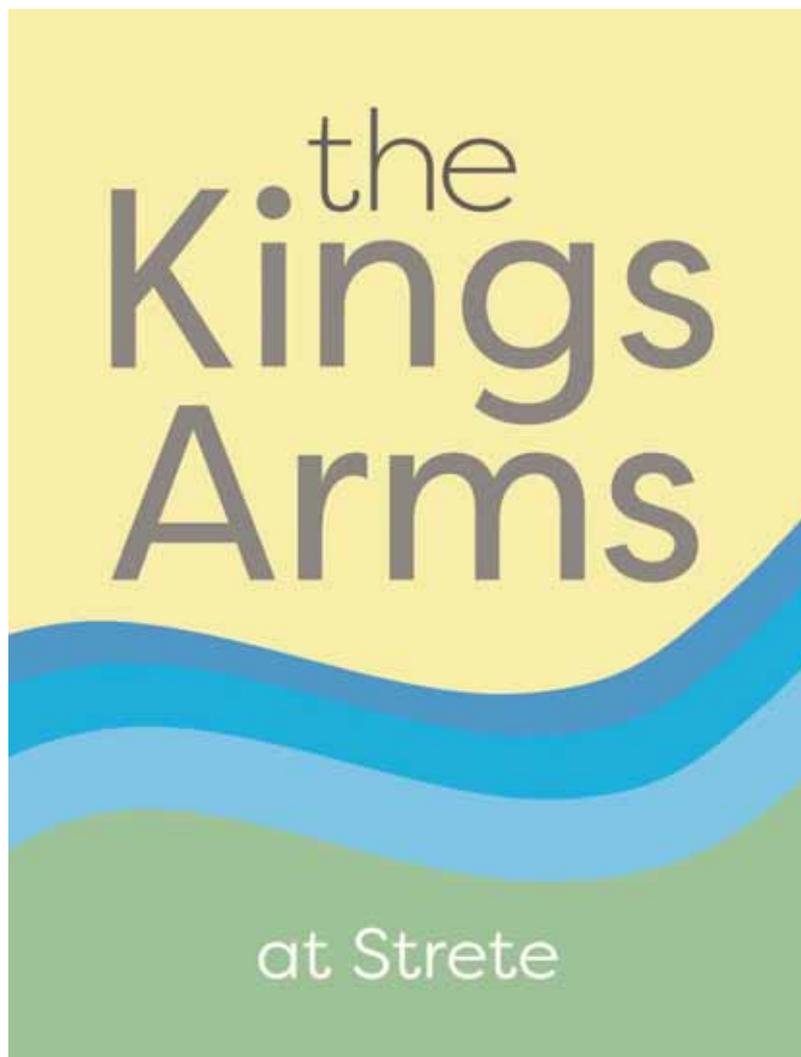
The Citizens Advice Bureaux have put together a series of excellent detailed factsheets on the benefits and other financial support available to different groups of people.

<https://www.cabdevon.org.uk/training/>

Reopening The Kings Arms a community pub.

I'm sure most people are now aware of the campaign to take over our village pub.

This is being led by a team of volunteers from the village, people who care about the pub and the village, but just as important is the fact that they have a lot of complimentary business experience. Because the whole point of this is to build a pub



business that will last. So all of our thinking has been about: how do we make sure the pub will still be there for years to come?

The first task is to make the Kings Arms a pub of the community. People need to feel it is theirs. Or even they need to act as if it is theirs. So we are planning to make it a Community Benefit Society (CBS), where people can buy shares in the pub, and it legally becomes the villager's pub.

Being a community pub gives us control over the way it is managed, the things we do there, even the simple stuff like when it opens. We will have a management team who report back to the members of the CBS but this team will be people who understand how to run a business – after all, the pub will not survive if it is losing money.

We are looking for volunteers to help staff it alongside a paid manager and chef. Not only does this make business sense it makes sure the pub feels like it belongs to the community. Volunteers will make the pub special.

Some pubs in the area target the holidaymakers. We think the local villagers are the core audience, and the holidaymakers will follow. After all, many of them are looking for a real village pub. So that's what we will be.

We believe we can improve the fundamentals. We plan to offer a more consistent menu of crowd-pleasing dishes. Not fine dining but not basic pub food either. Affordable quality. We will serve local Devon real ales.

Our research also suggests that there is potential to offer a café style menu

through the day, selling such things as freshly baked croissants and Devon Afternoon Teas. We're exploring that. And we also think a takeaway menu can work, certainly in summer.

Community pubs are growing in the UK because it is the best way to run a rural pub. And the best community pubs are more than a place to eat and drink, they are hubs for their communities.

So we want to encourage people to use the space for whatever they are interested in. We have had people mention gardening clubs, cyclists stop offs, knit and natters. All of these are good. If anyone wants to get a group together, we will help them.

Quiz nights have worked in the past. We want to extend that to develop an event calendar for the year, so there's always a reason to visit. We hope to run music sessions, curry nights, kids days, arts & crafts workshops, and we will without fail mark every expected festival in the UK, and maybe a few that are unexpected!

Work is planned to improve operational efficiency, so we can serve more food at busy times, and make more of the large garden, especially in summer. More tables and a soft area will be added, and we're looking at how we can create more covered space with heating to extend the season.

The extensive business experience on the team means that we are confident we can improve financial oversight and control, working with suppliers to keep a strong margin and adopt a zero waste policy.

Improved marketing will be an area of focus too. Part of that will be making the pub famous for perhaps its finest asset, the wonderful elevated view of the surrounding countryside and Start Bay beyond.

That begins with our new logo, designed by local graphic designer Laura Wousen, which captures the connection between our village pub and the wonderful sea, sand and countryside that surrounds.

So hopefully it's clear what we plan to do differently and why we feel confident about the future prospects of our village pub.

But to achieve this, we need your support.



Reopening The Kings Arms a community pub.

We are now looking for pledges from investors and need to raise £50,000. This will allow us to set up the society, take on a 10 year lease, improve the kitchen and garden to maximise profitability, and to provide a degree of contingency.

The business plan forecasts a small profit from year two so once business expenses are covered we would hope to pay interest on the investment, and over time begin to pay it back. Eventually, once the capital borrowed from investors is paid back, surplus profits can be used to support local good causes. So the pub can be a force for good throughout the whole community.

Investors should know that there are potentially significant Government tax relief schemes available for these kind of rural startup businesses. To simplify, if you put in 10 gold coins, you might get back 3 or 5 gold coins, so you are really only putting in 5 or 7.

We are also looking for volunteers. We will need volunteers to help us get the pub ready, and we will need volunteers to help us run it. There will be a Notes page on the Facebook page with a full list.

By the time Stretewise hits the shelves, the business plan will have been published and we will be open for pledges. There are a number of administrative hoops to jump through but if all goes to plan the Share Offer will be available on the 14th August, which means we can immediately start to put funds into a Keep Our Pub Open bank account. If we can raise the funds in August we would be able to reopen the pub in September.

We've already had an incredible response and have even had a number of pledges. That support has energized us all. It shows that people really do care that we have a pub at the heart of our community.

For more regular updates, please visit facebook.com/kingsarmsatstrete
If you are interested in investing or volunteering, please contact us here:

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Nigel Backwith backwith@icloud.com

The other Kings Arms reopening team members are:

Ralph Clark, David Rothwell, Sara Fowler, Tim Fowler, Serin Aubrey



School Term Dates 2020-21 Academic Year

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School Holidays	
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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														
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Kingsbridge College when open	0615	0720	0840	0840	0948	1048	1148	1248	1348	1448	1548	1653	1833	1948
Kingsbridge Bus Station dep	0623	0728	0848	0848	0956	1056	1156	1256	1356	1456	1556	1701	1841	1956
Churchstow Post Office	0631	0736	0856	0856	1003	1103	1203	1303	1403	1503	1603	1708	1848	2003
Aveton Gifford Post Office	0638	0743	0903	0903	1008	1108	1208	1308	1408	1508	1608	1713	1853	2008
Harraton Cross	0643	0748	0908	0908	1019	1119	1219	1319	1419	1519	1619	1724	1904	2019
Modbury Post Office	0654	0759	0919	0919	1025	1125	1225	1325	1425	1525	1625	1730	1910	2025
Yealton Volunteer Inn	0700	0805	0925	0925	1030	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530	1630	1735	1915	2030
Brixton Post Office	0705	0810	0930	0930	1035	1135	1235	1335	1435	1535	1635	1740	1920	2035
Elburton Inn	0713	0821	0941	0941	1041	1141	1241	1341	1441	1541	1641	1746	1926	2041
Plymstock Broadway CoOp	0720	0835	0953	0953	1053	1153	1253	1353	1453	1553	1653	1758	1935	2050
Morley Arms														
Plymouth Royal Parade A1														

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SATURDAYS												
Service No.	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	1601	1744		
Torcross Stores	0542	0802	1002	1102	1202	1302	1402	1502	1604	1747		
Carehouse Cross	0547	0807	1007	1107	1207	1307	1407	1507	1609	1752		
Chillington Post Office	0551	0811	1011	1111	1211	1311	1411	1511	1613	1756		
Frogmore Bridge	0555	0815	1015	1115	1215	1315	1415	1515	1617	1800		
West Charleton Village Hall	0600	0820	1020	1120	1220	1320	1420	1520	1622	1805		
Kingsbridge Bus Station arr	0610	0832	1032	1132	1232	1332	1432	1532	1634	1818		
Kingsbridge Bus Station dep	0615	0840	1040	1140	1240	1340	1440	1540	1645	1825		
Churchstow Post Office	0623	0848	1048	1148	1248	1348	1448	1548	1653	1833		
Aveton Gifford Post Office	0631	0856	1056	1156	1256	1356	1456	1556	1701	1841		
Harraton Cross	0638	0903	1103	1203	1303	1403	1503	1603	1708	1848		
Modbury Post Office	0643	0908	1108	1208	1308	1408	1508	1608	1713	1853		
Yealton Volunteer Inn	0654	0919	1119	1219	1319	1419	1519	1619	1724	1904		
Brixton Post Office	0700	0925	1125	1225	1325	1425	1525	1625	1730	1910		
Elburton Inn	0705	0930	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530	1630	1735	1915		
Plymstock Broadway CoOp	0713	0935	1135	1235	1335	1435	1535	1635	1740	1920		
Morley Arms	0720	0941	1141	1241	1341	1441	1541	1641	1746	1926		
Plymouth Royal Parade A1	0720	0953	1153	1253	1353	1453	1553	1653	1758	1935		

SUNDAYS AND BANK HOLIDAYS

Service No.

- Dartmouth Pontoon 0915 1445
- Stoke Fleming 0927 1457
- Blackpool Sands 0932 1502
- Strete Kings Arms 0937 1507
- Slapton Bridge 0944 1514
- Torcross Stores 0946 1516
- Carehouse Cross 0951 1521
- Chillington Post Office 0954 1524
- Frogmore Bridge 0958 1528
- West Charleton Village Hall 1004 1534
- Kingsbridge Bus Station arr 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 Royal Parade A11	0625	0725	0900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1410	1515	1615	1715	1815
Sugar Mill	0635	0735	0910	1010	1110	1210	1310	1420	1525	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
Yealmpston 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	1302	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	0844	0844	0844	0844	0844	0844	0844	0844	1530	0844	0844	0844
Kingsbridge Bus Station dep	0745	0850	1020	1120	1220	1320	1420	1535	1535	1635	1735	1835
West Charleton Village Hall	0751	0858	1028	1128	1228	1328	1428	1543	1543	1643	1743	1843
Frogmore Bridge	0757	0903	1033	1133	1233	1333	1433	1548	1548	1648	1748	1848
Chillington Post Office	0802	0907	1037	1137	1237	1337	1437	1552	1552	1652	1752	1852
Carehouse Cross	0808	0911	1041	1141	1241	1341	1441	1556	1556	1656	1756	1856
Torcross Stores	0813	0916	1046	1146	1246	1346	1446	1604	1604	1704	1804	1904
Slapton Turn	0815	0919	1049	1149	1249	1349	1449	1607	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	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	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 Royal Parade A11	0625	0725	0900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1410	1515	1615	1715	1815
Sugar Mill	0635	0735	0910	1010	1110	1210	1310	1420	1525	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
Yealmpston 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	1302	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	1935
West Charleton Village Hall	0751	0858	1028	1128	1228	1328	1428	1543	1643	1743	1843	1943
Frogmore Bridge	0757	0903	1033	1133	1233	1333	1433	1548	1648	1748	1848	1948
Chillington Post Office	0802	0907	1037	1137	1237	1337	1437	1552	1652	1752	1852	1952
Carehouse Cross	0808	0911	1041	1141	1241	1341	1441	1556	1656	1756	1856	1956
Torcross Stores	0813	0916	1046	1146	1246	1346	1446	1604	1604	1704	1804	1904
Slapton Turn	0815	0919	1049	1149	1249	1349	1449	1607	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	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836	0836
Dartmouth Pontoon	0851	0953	1123	1223	1323	1423	1523	1645	1645	1738	1838	1935

SUNDAYS AND BANK HOLIDAYS

Service No.	3	3
Kingsbridge Bus Station dep	1315	1755
West Charleton Village Hall	1321	1801
Frogmore Bridge	1327	1807
Chillington Post Office	1331	1811
Carehouse Cross	1334	1814
Torcross Stores	1339	1819
Slapton Turn	1341	1821
Strete Kings Arms	1348	1828
Blackpool Sands	1353	1833
Stoke Fleming	1358	1838
Dartmouth Pontoon	1410	1850



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Across 1: Abdomen 3: Abyss 7: Fabric 9: Unmask 10: Unable 12: Vents 14: Orate
16: Gite 1t: Dolts 19: PDF 21: Ideas 22: Rice 23: Swan 24: Edit 25: BLT

Down 1: Affidavit 4: Bombast 6: Lugubrious 8: Infest 11: Expunged 15: Ens
18: Throb 19: Pawn 20: Mead

Update from Liane Baldock

We have been mercifully spared the worst of the Coronavirus – so far it seems to be only 89 cases and 12 deaths in our area as of mid-July- but I am sure we are all wondering what will happen over the next few weeks with the influx of tourists from all over the country..... I am sure a lot of us will still be continuing with a more or less locked down style of life until after the school holidays are over.

However, one good thing has come out of the pandemic for us locally in the Dartmouth area in that we now have a nursing home. Not as good as the hospital that we lost, but a great improvement on what we have had to put up with for the last 3 years since our hospital was closed down prematurely before an alternative was in place, as we had been promised.

Fleet House is a Nursing Home at the site of the former Riverview. It has 24 beds purchased by the NHS and was opened earlier than planned in order to take patients from the Devon arear who were ready for discharge from hospital, but not able to go home, so as to free up beds for Coronavirus patients. It is apparently being well managed and the GP's are happy with the care and have been doing weekly virtual 'ward rounds'. At the moment (mid-July) there are 15 people being cared for there – 11 from RD&E and 4 from Torbay – of these one is from Dartmouth and one from Stoke Fleming. They do have one or two long-term residents also. The Trust have block booked a number of beds at Fleet House for people needing nursing care. These are not Intermediate Care beds; those are blocked booked at Beacon House. These IC beds will be kept at Beacon House in case Fleet House fails. This will avoid a similar a similar situation to what happened before, with loss of all beds in Dartmouth when Riverview suddenly closed down.

The outcome of the planning application that went in at the beginning of June for the new Health & Wellbeing Centre is expected by 02/09/2020, but hopefully sooner. Dartmouth Town Council are supporting the development, but the NHS trust are having to undertake investigations regarding the archaeology of the site. The expectation is for the work to commence in January 2021 and tenders will soon be sought for the builders.

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