

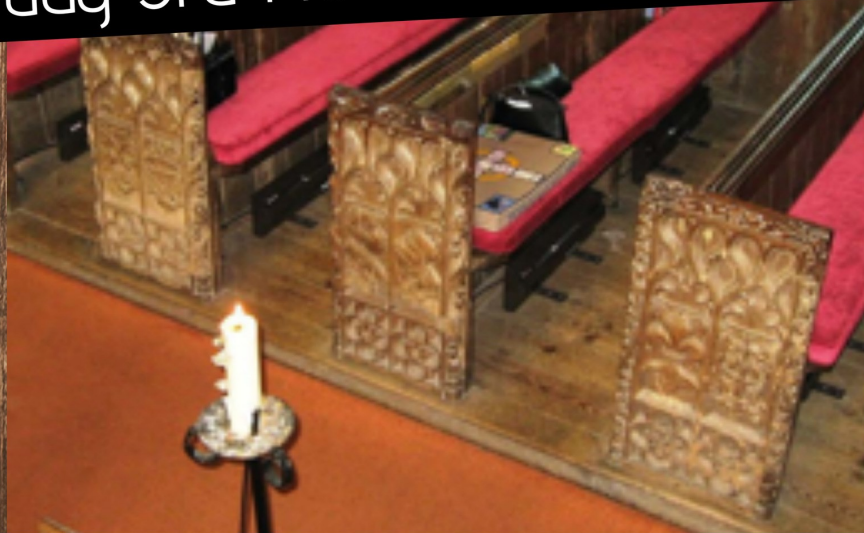


# Devon's Ancient Bench Ends

An Evening Talk

**DR. TODD GRAY**

Lapford Victory Hall  
Friday 3rd November at 7.30 pm



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Sunday 10th 9.30 a.m. Lay Led Morning Prayer

Wednesday 13th 10.30 a.m. BCP Holy Communion

Sunday 17th 9.30 a.m. Lay led Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th 9.30 a.m. Common Worship Eucharist



Saturday September 9th - Devon Historic Churches Fun Day - Coffee and Cake from 9.30 a.m.

Saturday September 30th - Churches Together HARVEST SUPPER in the Victory Hall

Sunday October 8th - HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE - 10.00 a.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME - REFRESHMENTS SERVED AFTER SERVICES

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 5th November—Commemoration Service for Loved Ones Departed—2.30 p.m.

Sunday 12th November—Remembrance Sunday Service, 9.30 a.m. in Church, 10.45 a.m, on the Church Green

### LAPFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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Preachers for September:

3rd - Sarah Preece from Crediton Congs.

10th - Caroline Gilpin-Perkins (All Age Service)

17th - (am) Merril Archer

17th - (pm) Jukebox Praise

24th - Deacon led Harvest service

1st October - Sir Roy Sambles



### LAPFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH

Meets every Sunday morning at 10.30 a.m. in the Victory Hall

4th Sunday of the month is Family Service

Fellowship Group on Wednesdays 7.00 p.m. upstairs in The ARK

Contact: Briony Clinch - Tel: **83666**

**<https://www.lapfordcc.org.uk/>**

Please visit our website for information about the Foodbank and The ARK.  
You will also find lots of information about Church activities and on-line services.



*All the Churches welcome everyone to any of their services and social events.*

*We look forward to fellowship with you.*



## INTRODUCING OUR GUEST EDITOR

Hi, I'm Debbie Mulliss. I'm originally from Southampton but spent a few years working and living abroad. On my



return, I realised that city living was not what I wanted, so I moved to Lapford with my cat Roger in April 2023 and am loving it!



I work from home for a large charity and you will often see me at lunchtime out pounding the pavements to stretch my legs and clear my head.

You will also often see me in the pub, but that's another story....!

## LAPFORD LOOKOUT **DATES TO LOOKOUT FOR**

### September

- 2nd Lapford Gardening Club Annual Show, Victory Hall
- 4th New opening hours for the Outreach Post Office begin
- 9th Devon Historic Churches Fun Day, 9.30am
- 12th Lapford Over 60 Club, trip to Widecombe Fair
- 12th Lapford Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm
- 21st Ladies of Lapford visit Crediton Coffee Company, meet Orchard Centre car park at 6.00pm
- 23rd Lapford Village Market, Victory Hall, 10.00am-1.00pm
- 23rd Lapford Revel AGM, The ARK, 11am
- 28th Lapford Over 60 Club, talk on Australia by Steve Lyall
- 30th Churches Together Harvest Supper, Victory Hall
- 30th Draw for Ukraine and Lapford Revel in The ARK

### October

- 8th Harvest Festival Service, 10.00am
- 10th Lapford Gardening Club, tba
- 14th Volunteering Day, Orchard Centre, from 10.00am
- 17th Lapford Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm
- 19th Ladies of Lapford visit The Little Red Hen Studio, meet Orchard Centre car park at 6.00pm
- 19th Lapford Over 60 Club, trip to Plymouth Gin Distillery
- 21st HOLD AGM, Victory Hall, 2.30pm
- 26th Lapford Over 60 Club, talk by David Garton, The ARK
- 28th Lapford Village Market, Victory Hall, 10.00am-1.00pm

### November

- 3rd Devon's Ancient Bench Ends, 7.30pm Victory Hall
- 5th Commemoration Service, Parish Church, 2.30pm
- 12th Remembrance Sunday Service, 9.30am in Church, 10.45am on the Church Green
- 14th Lapford Gardening Club, tba
- 14th Lapford Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm
- 23rd Lapford Over 60 Club, Christmas shopping at Clarks
- 25th Lapford Village Market, Victory Hall, 10.00am-1.00pm
- 30th Lapford Over 60 Club, meeting, The ARK

### December

- 6th Lapford Over 60 Club, Christmas meal at The Waie Inn
- 12th Lapford Gardening Club, Social, 7.30pm
- 19th Lapford Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm

**Please send your Dates to Lookout For to [lapfordlookout@gmail.com](mailto:lapfordlookout@gmail.com)**

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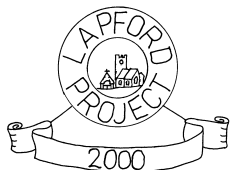
OPENING HOURS:

**From 4th September 2023:**

Monday	9.30 - 12.00
Friday	9.30 - 12.00

### LAPFORD VILLAGE ARCHIVE

A reminder to everyone that we are a small group of volunteers dedicated to collecting details of past and present happenings in Lapford. This effort is to preserve history for those interested to celebrate this village community.



The Archive records any material which comes in the form of photographs, letters, receipts, posters, and the names and stories of people who have contributed to the village.

Local people have walked in on a Tuesday morning with memories that they share and we have written these down with their consent.

Anyone who is compiling a history or needs information regarding Lapford is very welcome and we would do our best to help.

Questions that may prompt memories:

Do you remember the village shop?

What were the items that you bought there?

Are there celebrations that we used to celebrate but not any more?

What was the best thing that ever happened in the village in your memory?

More prompts in the next issue.

We work in the Orchard Centre on a Tuesday from 10.00hrs to 12.30hrs. Please be aware that there are times we are not there and a sign will be in the window indicating the Archive is closed.

You are welcome to email [archivelapford2022@gmail.com](mailto:archivelapford2022@gmail.com) or ring 0136383103 for further information about the Archive.



### LAPFORD LOOKOUT

Contributions welcome

[lapfordlookout@gmail.com](mailto:lapfordlookout@gmail.com)

**Deadline for inclusion in the next issue:  
6.00 p.m. on the 14th Sept. for inclusion in the Oct. issue**



## ACE ARCHAEOLOGY CLUB



We are an Archaeology Club based in Mid Devon and we provide opportunities to meet others interested in Archaeology, to visit sites of interest and to take part in excavation and other aspects of practical and experimental archaeology.

The days are getting shorter and with the weather being rather mixed, there is a definite feel of autumn in the air!

The last week of July and the first week of August saw us digging at Moistown. We have had some new diggers this year which has been a treat. We had younger people, which is really good, both for us but also for the long term future of archaeology and the history of our area. We do have to have any under 16s accompanied by their responsible adult though. Our insurance won't let us do otherwise.

We pulled out all the stops, well, several of them, to advertise our Open Day and it paid off. We have never had so many visitors just coming to look at what we were doing. It was great to see everyone.

In September, this year, we hope to be able to do a little dig at Coldridge Church. If you have never visited the church it is well worth a visit. A lovely interesting church in a spectacular position. We visited as a group earlier this year and can't wait to get back. Lovely screen and an interesting story linked to Richard the Third and the Princes in the Tower.

Our year has also seen us on Dartmoor, again and at North Tawton looking for the Romans.

For more information take a look at our website, <https://acearchaeologyclub.wordpress.com> or our Facebook page .

### Erica Williamson



*The usual view of diggers! Uncovering the wall that shouldn't be quite there. And the wall not quite where we expected it.*



*A couple of this year's finds. A little worked flint blade and a jug handle still in the trench. Both undated as yet.*

## THOUGHTS FROM THE ARK

I read an interesting article which really made think about what I value most. It's a story about a pearl. People who live in lands where they fear invasion are often forced to take their riches and hide them. From Japan comes a story of a family who did just that.



For generations their ancestors had been pearl divers. There was always a thrill in opening an oyster and examining it's contents. To an untrained eye, many of the pearls found would appear to be of great value, but experts would point out the imperfections, and so it was day after day, oysters were brought to the surface and their contents examined. Then one day the eldest son found an unusually rich oyster bed, he stayed down too long and later died, but he had brought up with him an oyster containing the most perfect pearl the family had ever seen. At last they had obtained their pearl of great value but it had cost them their son.

The family emigrated to the United States of America and World War II started. During their interment the pearl was hidden. When they were released, they knew they had to sell the treasure. The pearl was appraised and the next day the buyer came to collect it. The father of the house explained that they had made a new decision. The pearl was quite beyond price; no amount of money could console them for the costly death of their son.

This short story likens Jesus to the precious pearl and through faith we can know him. It's time to reflect on the treasure that becomes ours when we receive the gift of God, the treasure of life, and we can know for certainty that it is beyond price.

So what in your life is beyond price? What do you value most which no amount of money could replace?

The ARK continues to help and support those in need in the village. The food bank gives out parcels every other week and is really grateful for those kind people who donate regularly. It does help keep the food bank going.

I'm not sure people realise there is a library upstairs with a selection of books for all ages starting with the very young, it is there for anyone to use. We are open when the cafe is open, but access to the upstairs can be obtained, if you ask for the key safe number, allowing entry any day. The books are there to be used and enjoyed, not gathering dust on the shelves.

### The ARK Team

**LAPFORD OVER 60'S CLUB  
FORTHCOMING EVENTS**



Tuesday 12th September 2023 -  
Widcombe Fair Coach price £15  
per member or £18 per non  
member. Entrance to the fair is £10 on the gate.

Thursday 28th September 2023 - Talk on Australia by Steve Lyall - club meetings to be held in The ARK from September.

Thursday 19th October 2023 - Trip to Plymouth Gin Distillery. Coach price £17 per member, £20 per non member. Tour of the Distillery is approximately £15, this to be confirmed.

Thursday 26th October 2023 - Club meeting in The ARK, talk by David Garton on More Lapford.

Thursday 23rd November 2023 - Christmas Shopping at Clarks Shopping Village, Street. Coach for members £17 per person, £20 per person for non members.

Thursday 30th November 2023 - Club meeting in The ARK - talk to be confirmed.

Wednesday 6th December 2023 - Lapford Over 60s Club Christmas Meal at The Waie Inn.



**LAPFORD PARISH COUNCIL NOTES**

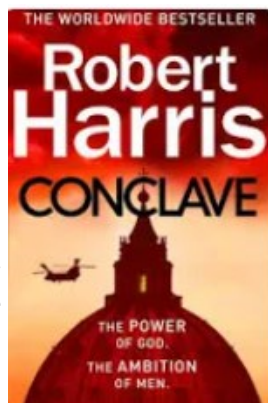
Unfortunately we have not received the notes of the July meeting of Lapford Parish Council from the Parish Clerk. We hope to be able to include the notes of the July and August meetings in the October issue of the Lapford Lookout.

**LAPFORD BOOK CLUB REVIEW :  
CONCLAVE BY ROBERT HARRIS**

The Pope has died and Cardinal Lomeli, as Dean of the College of Cardinals, is responsible for bringing together the 120 Cardinals to Rome in order to vote for his successor. Among those hoping to succeed are: Tremblay, an ambitious North American; Tedesco, from Venice, a traditionalist, and Adeyemi from Africa, with strong views on the role of women in the Church and opponent of gay marriage. Just before the Cardinals are sequestered in the Casa Santa Maria a previously unknown, Vincent Benitaz, turns up. He says he was appointed "in pectore" by the previous Pope – not announced as he was working in a war zone, where it would have been dangerous to do so. It takes some persuading for him to convince Lomeli, and others, that he is genuine.

At each new ballot – black smoke sent through the chimney when indecisive, white only when a new Pope is elected – new plots emerge, discrediting each of the hopeful front runners in turn. Cardinal Lomeli has to preside over the lobbying and back-biting to try and do what is best (as he sees it) for the Church as a whole.

This was a page-turner, in fact I read it twice to make sure I had grasped all the hints and intrigues. Harris describes the beauties of the Sistine Chapel, the claustrophobia in the Casa Santa Marta where no one is supposed to know what is going on in the outside world, the complexities and traditions connected to the Vatican and the voting system, and the sheer greed for glory among all the contenders. It read like a political novel, and we enjoyed it thoroughly.



Suzu Mann

# Lapford Weather Reviews

**LAPFORD WEATHER JUNE 2023**

A milder than average month, also quite dry.  
The warmest day was the 13th with a maximum of 27.5°C and the coolest was the 30th with 17.7°C being the maximum. The coolest night was on the 3rd with a minimum of 7.0°C – the grass temperature fell to just 3.5°C this night.  
There were many warm days without any exceptional heat here, and also some warm nights that all helped to make this the warmest June overall since my records began in 1988.  
Rainfall was just half the average with a total of 31.4 mm. The wettest day was the 21st with a fall of 7.7mm rain.  
The windiest day was the 9th with a gust of 29 m.p.h.

**LAPFORD WEATHER JULY 2023**

A complete contrast to June's summer weather. Temperature below average and very wet with it.  
The warmest day was the 7th with a maximum of 23.2°C and the coolest day was the 4th which only managed to get to 14.3°C. The coldest night was on the 26th with a minimum of 7.6°C. On the 21st the grass temperature fell to just 2.7°C, not something the garden plants really want at this time of year.  
Total rainfall was 127.9 mm, nearly double the average for July. The wettest day was the 10th with 18.8 mm rain.  
The windiest day was the 3rd with a gust of 35 m.p.h.  
No sign of last year's hot weather as yet.



Andy Epstein

## ARTWORK RAFFLE IN THE ARK

This beautiful painting has been left at The ARK by its owner to be raffled to raise money for Ukraine. So, the painting will be exhibited in The ARK for the next two months and raffle tickets for it, and other prizes to benefit Lapford Revel, will be on sale. The draw will take place at an event in The ARK at the end of October.



## ARCHIVE DISPLAY IN THE ARK

Apologies that the display in The ARK this time is not quite as advertised. The intention was to have a collection of old school photographs for people to look at and comment on.



However, a number of these, thought to be stored in the Village Archive, couldn't be located in time so as a substitute part of the story of the School in Lapford from the opening of the building in Barris up to recent times and sourced mainly from records in the school log books has been displayed. More reading than usual but well worth browsing through. (If anyone has thoughts about where the missing photographs may be please contact the Village Archive team.)

**Another mystery!** This composite artwork by children depicting village scenes was gifted to the Archive by the school some years ago and framed to conserve it. Unfortunately, the date of it has been lost, as have the names of the children who worked to produce it. Any details about it gratefully received e.g. who were the artists, when was it made and why? Reminder that the Village Archive at the Orchard Centre is open every Tuesday morning from 10-30 a.m., or at other times by appointment.

Contact details: Ms Audrey McCormack 01363 83103 or email [archivelapford2022@gmail.com](mailto:archivelapford2022@gmail.com)



## Lapford Revel Committee invites you to its Annual General Meeting

on  
**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023**  
**11-00 a.m.**  
in **The ARK**



All are welcome.

Come along to hear about the success of this year's event and start the planning process for next year. Ideas and new members welcome!

## MID DEVON WALKING FESTIVAL 14TH—29TH SEPTEMBER 2024



Next year Mid Devon District Council is organising a two week walking festival which will include a series of guided walks as well as promote walks to be done individually.

This festival aims to support our leisure and tourism businesses by stretching the visitor season and will be funded by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. Mid Devon is a honeycomb of walking routes which will attract people who are interested in walking throughout the year. It will also encourage local residents to engage in their area, improving individual's health, fitness and well-being by giving people more confidence to walk in the countryside (and awareness of the Countryside Code) and meet new people.



## 2023 POPPY INSTALLATION

The installation of knitted poppies will take place at 10.30 a.m. on Monday 30th October.

If anyone would like to help, please feel free to just turn up on the day.

**Lapford Project 2000**



**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Dear Editor,

Well done the Revel Committee.

You did a really great job. It was lovely to see how happy all the children looked.

Yours sincerely,

Pat West



**LADIES OF LAPFORD MEETINGS (LOL)**



**Thursday 21st September**

Ladies visit Crediton Coffee Company to taste coffee and cake and to hear about their business

Meet at the Orchard Centre car park at 6.00 pm for lift sharing

**Thursday 19th October**

Ladies visit The Little Red Hen Studio at Wembworthy Come and join us to try your hand at throwing a pot.

Meet at the Orchard Centre car park at 6.00 pm for lift sharing

**Mid Devon LAPFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA CONSULTATION**

Mid Devon District Council has received an application from Lapford Parish Council to designate the parish area for the Neighbourhood Plan. A Neighbourhood Plan is a community-led framework for guiding the future development and growth within a Neighbourhood Area.

The Parish Council's application and a map of the proposed area can be viewed at <https://www.middevon.gov.uk/residents/planning-policy/neighbourhood-planning/lapford-neighbourhood-plan>

Comments are invited about the suitability of the Parish Council's proposed neighbourhood area boundary, by email to [planningconsultations@middevon.gov.uk](mailto:planningconsultations@middevon.gov.uk) or by post/delivery to Forward Planning, Mid Devon District Council, Phoenix House, Phoenix Lane, Tiverton, EX16 6PP.

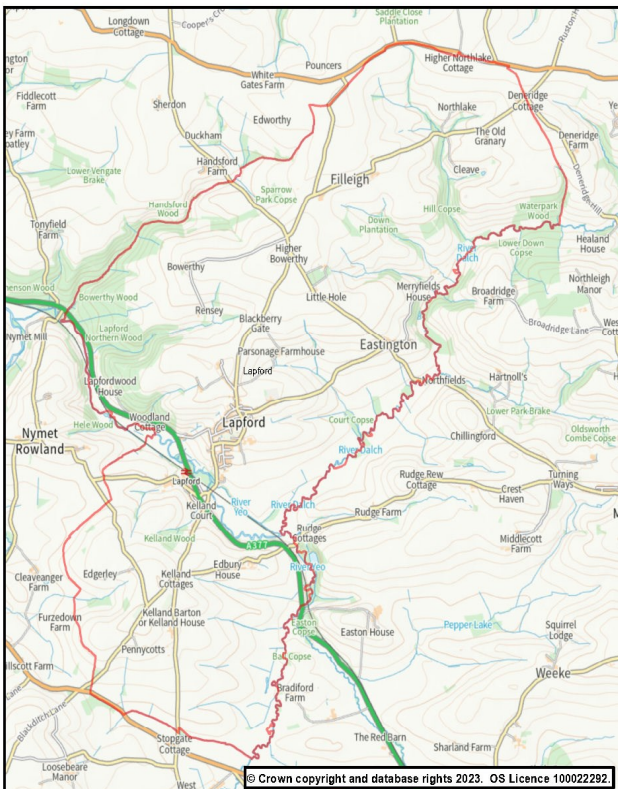
All representations must include the sender's full name and postal address or they will not be registered. The deadline for representations is 18th September 2023.



**Forward Planning**

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**LADIES TAKE A TRIP TO ATHENS**



Our July meeting took us along the lanes to Hatherleigh. We were armed with rugs or fold-up chairs and a picnic. We were planning to spend an evening in some woodland in Athens with the help of Shakespeare's imagination.

Anyone coming new to A Midsummer Night's Dream could be forgiven for getting very confused. It takes a lot of concentration to follow the intertwined plots. For one thing, there is the play within the main play which is being rehearsed in secret in the woods by six workmen of Athens in readiness for the marriage of Duke Theseus. Add to that the fairy kingdom of the wood and the mischief that Oberon (King of the fairies) conjures up with the help of his henchman Puck to punish his Queen, Titania. Then into this mix bring Hermia and Lysander, happily in love but running away because Hermia's father has decreed that she marries Demetrius. Luckily for Demetrius, he has the hots for Hermia but unluckily for him, she has no intention of complying with Daddy's wishes. That does not stop him setting off into the woods in pursuit of her. Last but not least is Helena who is lovesick for Demetrius despite knowing that he has eyes for no-one but Hermia. She, too, heads for the woods after her man in the hope of changing his mind.

Confused? You can imagine that there are a number of parts to perform in this play but all the parts were covered by just six actors. You'd think that would make it even more confusing but amazingly, we did not get mixed up about who we were watching. The quick change of clothes, the way they presented themselves and the different voices they used, helped us jump quickly from the fairy kingdom, to the men of Athens and their play, or to the star-crossed lovers, and back again several times. I was very impressed by the ability of the actors to change character repeatedly without ever tripping over their lines or using the wrong voice. Memorising Shakespeare is always impressive, memorizing three different characters in one play is even more so.

It was a really entertaining evening and this is one play where Shakespeare allows everything to come right at the end. So, with a happy outcome and weather which stayed fine, we all had a very enjoyable time before wending our way homeward through the evening sunshine.

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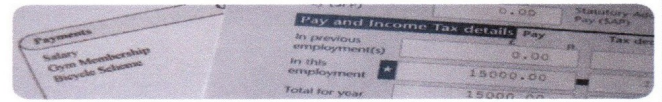
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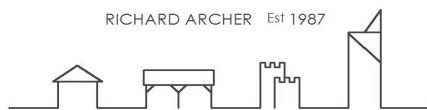
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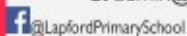
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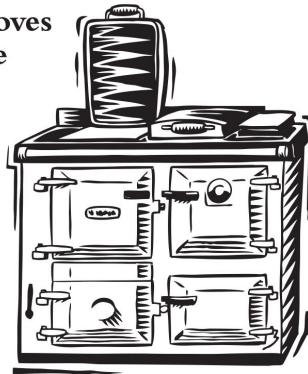
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## VICTORY HALL OIL TANK RELOCATION PROPOSAL

For some time the Management Committee of the Victory Hall has wanted to move the oil tank from the prominent position it uses to a more discrete location where with thought it could be equally discretely relocated. The photo illustrates the preferred site in Lower Town Place, by the corner with the Church Yard just beyond the new stone and earth bank to Church Green. The oil tank would be suitably screened by stone or an alternative suitable material that would not be a potential fire hazard.

This proposal is in consultation with everyone through the Lapford Lookout and to date has been considered by HOLD, Lapford Parish Council, the Church Green Trust and Lapford Youth Club. The reason for the relocation is not just to improve the visual amenity and safety but it will also enable projects at the Hall to move forward. This includes the proposed new Hall entrance onto Lower Town Place with improved public access to the refurbished Hall toilets, the installation of a replacement water boiler for heating and hot water, the reconfiguration an improved utilisation of internal storage spaces.

The Victory Hall Management Committee seeks to receive any comments or point of view that may be considered by all parties before proceeding with this relocation. Please contact Committee Chair Darren Crump via email at [DarrenCrump99@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:DarrenCrump99@hotmail.co.uk), or any of the above organisations as listed in this edition of the Lapford Lookout.



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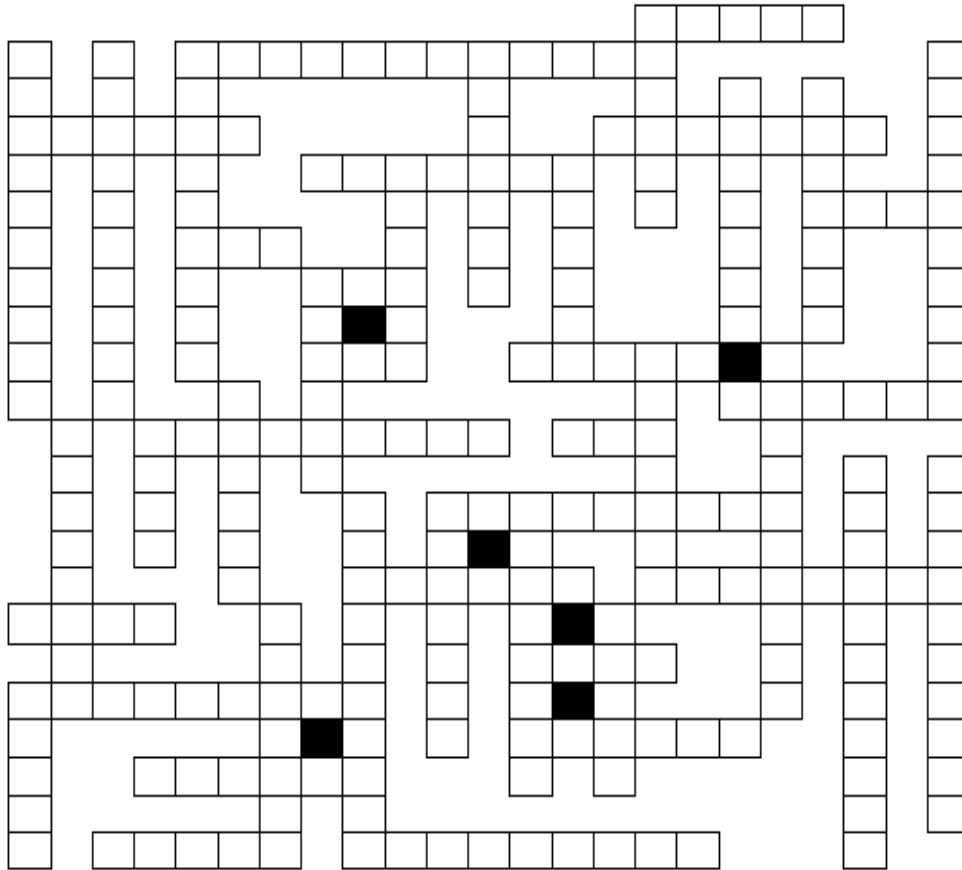
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Meetings are open to the public. Time is set aside at the beginning of every meeting for those who wish to speak, a three-minute limit for each person.

The Parish Council is responsible for cutting the grass in various locations around the village and looking after assets such as benches, notice boards, the Car Park, the Orchard Centre, the clock in the Church tower, grit bins, roadside weeds, and various local road signs.

Local planning applications come before the Parish Council for comment, not decision making. That bit is down to Mid Devon District Council. However, as a consultee the Parish Council's observations can guide the decision making process.

The Council sets a budget annually which forms the basis for the precept – those monies which the Council considers are needed to maintain the services it provides to the parish as opposed to those provided by the District and County Councils.

Mid Devon's responsibilities include environmental health, council tax collection, domestic refuse and recycling, street cleaning, bin emptying, electoral services, and planning applications. Our District Councillor elected to represent Taw ward is Steve Keable – email: [skeable@middevon.gov.uk](mailto:skeable@middevon.gov.uk)

Devon County Council's responsibilities include education, social services, roads and transport, waste disposal, libraries, major planning and development matters, children's services. Our County Councillor representing the interests of Lapford parish is Margaret Squires – email: [margaret.squires@devon.gov.uk](mailto:margaret.squires@devon.gov.uk)

The email contact for Rob Martin (Clerk to Lapford parish Council) is: [clerk@lapfordparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@lapfordparishcouncil.org.uk)

The following two pages introduce those elected to the Council in the May 2023 election.



**CLLR JULIE DOWN  
(CHAIR OF LPC)**

Roles and responsibilities: Police Liaison, Finance & Planning.

I have lived in Lapford for almost 40 years. My background has been mainly in finance and banking, also helping with various tasks on family farm. I am passionate about rural country life.

What I'd like to achieve: It would be lovely to see everyone in the parish working together for the future benefit of its residents, whether it's being part of a committee, or general volunteering to keep the village a nice and tidy place to enjoy.



**CLLR SUE BRIANT-EVANS  
(VICE CHAIR OF LPC)**

Roles and responsibilities: LEAP, Regeneration, Youth club, Event Asset management.

I have lived in Lapford since 1985 and my children went to school here. I am a retired primary school teacher; former governor and Chair of Governors Lapford Primary School and Chulmleigh College; former school kitchen manager; former Playgroup leader; former Family Centre administrator.

My husband ran a small business in the village for many years.

What I'd like to achieve: To promote a sense of community and to encourage more people to feel able to take part in local initiatives and community events, to promote the Parish Council's role in the local democratic process, and to encourage and enable the provision of better services/facilities for young people in the village.



**CLLR IAN WILKIE**

Roles and responsibilities: Highways, Road Warden, Snow Warden, LEAP.

I have lived in Lapford for thirty five years, born in Woking, Surrey and raised in Glasgow and Corby in Northants. I left school at fifteen and learned painting and decorating until joining the Royal Navy as a radio operator three years later. In 1967 I transferred to the Royal Marine Commandos and went on to serve for twenty seven years. During my time in the Royal Marines, I was awarded a mention in dispatches and the British Empire Medal.

On leaving the Royal Marines I was employed at the commando training centre Royal Marines as the sergeant's mess manager, seven years later I joined the staff at Exeter Crown Court as a County Court Bailiff and remained in that job for ten and a half years before retirement.

Being retired has enabled me to get involved more in village life helping wherever I can. In the past I have organised security for our local music festival Lapstock and for the Lapford Revel. Currently I am Chairman for L.A.D.S and part of the team responsible for distribution of the Lapford Lookout.



**CLLR ROY ANDREWS**

Roles and responsibilities: Snow Warden, Church Green, Orchard Centre, Victory Hall, Lapford Youth Playing Field Trust Chairperson.

I have lived in Lapford for my entire life and have worked in Local government for forty four years.

What I'd like to achieve: I will always be a helpful individual in our parish, repairing and maintaining a lot of the village furniture as I go.



**CLLR JOHN BURROWS**

Roles and responsibilities: HOLD, footpaths, Highways, over 60's, Congregational Church.

I have lived in the village almost all my life and have been very centred around much of the village committees including Lapford AFC and the Congregational Church.

What I'd like to achieve: I want a better village to live in. We as a parish need to work together and put our resources together to get the best out of the fantastic people we already have volunteering for village events.



**CLLR STACEY LUMSDON**

Roles and responsibilities: School liaison, Village Market, social media and notices.

I have lived in Lapford since April 2017 with my husband and four children. I have my own business and am the Chair for Friends of Lapford School. I have run Lapford Village Market since August 2021 and hope to continue and expand this for our parish, whilst supporting the local producers and stall holders.

What I'd like to achieve: I would like to see the village thriving once again. We have a tremendous community spirit here with lots of varying opinions. With the help of all these varying opinions we could be a village to remember. We are Lapford and we can achieve anything if we stand strong and stand together. Let's build a sustainable future for our children and the generations to come.



### **CLLR ABI WHITTAKER**

Roles and responsibilities: Chair of Church Green trustees, Victory Hall, Neighbourhood Plan.



I grew up outside the village but attended Lapford Primary School. I've been running a beauty salon next door to Lapford Village Hall for five years. Previously I worked on cruise liners.

What I'd like to achieve: I had hoped to be involved with a neighbourhood plan. I'm particularly interested in there being more affordable housing available in Lapford for young people.

### **CLLR STEVEN FLETCHER**

Roles and responsibilities: Orchard Centre, LEAP, Phone box.



I have lived in the village for over twenty five years and, prior to that, would visit my aunt most weekends when I lived in Bow in the late 80's and she lived in Highfield.

My work is in circuit board manufacturing. I started in the industry over thirty years ago, working my way up to be the senior PCB planning engineer with a local company. Working up from the bottom has taught me to never ask someone to do something you are not willing to do yourself and respect everyone for the work they do.

I am a dad to four children who have all gone to our great school in the village, with my youngest just about to start her final year of primary school.

What I'd like to achieve: I would like to work towards the Parish coming together, co-operating with each other for the benefit of all. I hope we can use our differing opinions and ideas in a constructive manner to provide the best future for Lapford for generations to come.

### **ROB MARTIN (CLERK TO LPC)**

I have had a long career in local government, 25 years of which has been clerking parish councils. I have my second family of wife and two teenage children and live in Yeoford. I am a fully qualified clerk and believe there is nothing that cannot be achieved one way or the other by parish councils.



What I'd like to achieve: I want to see Lapford make the most of its opportunities and to make full use of the fantastic number of volunteers I have come across, which makes Lapford a special place to live and work.

### **CLLR BILL GRAHAM**

Roles and responsibilities: Member of PCC of St Thomas, Revel committee, Secretary to HOLD, finance, Highways, Events, Planning.



Initial career in technical theatre including with Royal Opera House and Royal Shakespeare Company. Then into conference and event industry. First technical director for ICC, Symphony Hall and National Indoor Arena (NEC) Birmingham. Latterly Technical Consultant with NEC Worldwide working on projects in UK, Ireland, Europe, South Africa and finally Hong Kong.

What I'd like to achieve: To work towards a sustainable future for the parish, especially in meeting the needs of families and young people.

### **CLLR ALEX SHAPLAND**

Roles and responsibilities: Footpath Warden.



I have lived in Lapford for the last nine years with my wife who has grown up in the village. I have played for the local football team and enjoyed living in a thriving village with lots always going on.

I grew up on my family farm and work as an agricultural engineer repairing farm machinery.

What I'd like to achieve: I would like to see the council and all the groups in the village work together. We as a community can then provide the best facilities for all residents. I would like to ensure that we attract young people to live in the village and therefore support a thriving community going forward.



## OBITUARY: COMMON SENSE



Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape.

He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as knowing when to come in out of the rain, why the early bird gets the worm, why life isn't always fair, and how, on occasion, maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you earn) and reliable parenting strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when well intentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a six-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job they themselves failed to do in disciplining their unruly children. It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer aspirin, sun lotion or a sticky plaster to a student; but could not inform the parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the Ten Commandments became contraband; churches became businesses; and criminals received better treatment than their victims. Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar can sue you for assault because you protected yourself and your own.

Common Sense finally gave up the will to live, after a woman failed to realise that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap, and was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents, Truth and Trust; his wife, Discretion; his daughter, Responsibility; and his son, Reason. He is survived by five stepbrothers; I Know my Rights, I Want it Now, Someone Else is to Blame, and I'm a Victim and Pay me for Doing Nothing.

Not many attended his funeral because so few realised he was gone.

**Lori Borgman**

## BLACKBERRY MUESLI

For four portions you will need:

- 8 oz (200g) blackberries
- Some natural yogurt
- 4 tablespoonfuls rolled oats
- 1 generous tablespoonful Devon honey
- 1 eating apple - grated and a squeeze of lemon juice



[www.sustainablecrediton.org.uk](http://www.sustainablecrediton.org.uk)

Mix the oats, grated apple, and honey with enough yogurt to produce a soft creamy consistency, stir in the blackberries and lemon juice. Refrigerate overnight in a covered basin and enjoy for breakfast!

**Paul Cleave**

## HIGHWAYS ISSUES, ETC.

The two higher tier councils on which I sit have a wide range of responsibilities and yet it all seems to come down to highways and potholes! Research has shown that it is not just a Devon issue but that roads throughout Britain are in a poor state through lack of funding.

There have been so many complaints raised at full council in County that we have received an e-mail from Councillor Stuart Hughes, the Cabinet member for Highway Management, who has set out the challenges and responses. In brief there have been 35,000 pothole assessments registered since January of this year. April proved to be a bad month because it is usually one where we start to get on top of the works but heavy rain only increased the number of potholes. Over the winter there were forty teams across the county dedicated to repairing our roads. We now have five Dragon Patchers - these are lorries that do all in one. They have been working double shifts with the early morning and late night daylight hours. At the present just over eight hundred potholes are on the contractor Milestone's register to repair which is down from 3,000 earlier in the year.

In Bow, the three parties, Highways, South West Water and Bow Water do not seem to agree on a way forward. I raised the terrible road conditions outside the farm shop in Coplestone and have recently been informed that it will be repaired in the budget year 2024/25. It seems that the current budget is fully allocated.

Devon County Council's main budget areas are children's services and adult social care but, as it does not seem to affect many people, it is almost disregarded by the public. This is sad because much of our debt comes from these two services and this reflects on your precept.

It is good to be able to report that Mid Devon is making progress in its zero carbon quest. The two leisure centres with swimming pools have ground source heat pumps and are also having solar panels fitted. There is also a campaign of improving the housing stock with retro insulation and other such measures. So it is not all doom and gloom.

With the climate change we have seen long dry spells followed by very heavy rain and subsequent floods in our streets. May I urge you to check any drains near your property and report them on the Devon County website so that they can be cleared?

**Cllr Frank Letch MBE**

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN LAPFORD**

# HARVEST SUPPER

**Saturday 30th  
September**

**6.00 p.m. for 6.30 p.m.**

## VICTORY HALL

Choice of soups, casseroles & desserts  
Adults £5.00, Teenage Children £2.50,  
Under 13's FREE - Donations welcomed

**PLEASE book in advance via  
Briony Clinch (83666)  
Joan Graham (83047)  
Peter Lacey (07775 941505)  
or at The Ark**

## Gardening Club Show

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

Victory Hall, Lapford



Entries 9-11am

Open to the public 3-5pm

Awards at 4pm

Exhibit collection from 4.30-5pm

Show Secretaries  
Rachel & Warren Clayburn  
Hill Croft, Lapford, EX17 8QH  
01363 83095

LAPFORD PRESENTS

# BINGO NIGHT

LOTS OF LOVELY PRIZES

10 GAMES WITH FLYER  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

DOORS OPEN 6.45 P.M.  
EYES DOWN 7.30 P.M.

LAPFORD VICTORY HALL

MONEY RAISED WILL GO TO  
THE AIR AMBULANCE



## THE BOARD CLUB

@ LAPFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
EVERY 1ST AND 3RD  
WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH  
7PM-9.30PM  
GAMES AND REFRESHMENT PROVIDED

COME ALONG FOR AN EVENING OF  
FRIENDLY GAMING AND ENJOY  
SOME OLD FAVOURITES AND NEW  
TREASURES

NO CHARGE BUT A DONATION TOWARDS THE CHURCH AND  
REFRESHMENTS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED

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Lapford Youth Club

# THE DROP IN

LAPFORD VICTORY HALL

EVERY 2ND AND 4TH  
FRIDAY IN THE MONTH

7-9PM

FOR 11-16 YEAR OLDS.  
ONLY £1 PLUS MONEY FOR TUCK SHOP  
(Please note- only runs during termtime)

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LAPFORD YOUTH CLUB PRESENTS

# HIGH FIVE JUNIORS

For 4-7 year olds and their carers



Arts and Crafts, toys, games, tuck shop, refreshments

£1 per child. Additional 50p for tuck shop

LAPFORD VICTORY HALL  
EVERY 3RD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH  
10AM-12PM

For more info contact Cat Seymour on 07970180637

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LAPFORD YOUTH CLUB

# High 5 THURSDAY

EVERY WEEK DURING TERMTIME

6PM - 7.30PM

For 7-11 year olds (KS2 primary)  
Fun, Games, Craft, Friends  
Only £1 subs  
(Up to £1 additional money for tuckshop)





For more information email [lapforyouthclub@gmail.com](mailto:lapforyouthclub@gmail.com) or find us on Facebook and Instagram


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LAPFORD YOUTH CLUB

## Adult Helpers Needed

For Lapford's thriving youth club

Thursday, Friday evenings  
or  
for weekend trips  
With more helpers we can do so much more!





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or find us on Facebook and Instagram



## Lapford Parish Church

Invites you to

### A SERVICE OF COMMEMORATION

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>  
at 2.30 P.M.

An open invitation to all in the community to remember loved ones of any age, now departed, in a short service to their memory.

It doesn't matter when they passed away or where they now rest, whether here in Lapford or elsewhere.

There will be a Book of Remembrance for you to record their names

**Refreshments will be available afterwards**  
(November 5<sup>th</sup> is the first Sunday after All Souls Day, the traditional day of remembering)

**Libraries  
Unlimited**

### LIBRARIES UNLIMITED BOOKS ON WHEELS

Do you have difficulty in getting to Crediton Library and carrying heavy books home to read? Or even reaching the mobile library? Would you like us to collect and deliver talking books, or large and normal printed ones of the kind that you enjoy, directly to your home free of charge? If so, I will be happy to help.



Peter Westcott - Telephone: 01363 83525

## LAPFORD PARISH COUNCIL

It's always beneficial to hear your thoughts and views on the village, whether it's good or bad, and in particular things you would like the Parish Council to do or consider.

Many of you will know that at the start of each monthly meeting there is a public participation session, where you are able to speak to the meeting for a maximum of three minutes. The idea behind this is that it gives you a forum to comment.

However, if you wish for a matter to be discussed fully, it would be a great help if you could contact the clerk, Rob Martin, whose email and telephone number is shown in the Lapford Lookout and on the website. Of course, you can contact any of the councillors if you prefer, who can pass the details on.

This will enable the item to be listed on the agenda, and any research undertaken prior to discussion at the meeting. This will ensure wherever possible, that you are provided with a more accurate and considered response, more quickly.

Thank you.

Julie Down  
Lapford Parish Council

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE COPY DEADLINE FOR  
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LAPFORD LOOKOUT  
IS THE 14TH OF EACH MONTH**

## DEVON MOBILE LIBRARY STOPS



### Lapford

Orchard Way: 13.45-14.55  
School: 15.00-16.00

### Nymet Rowland

Opposite Village Hall: 12.20-12.40  
Every 4 weeks on Tuesdays  
September 12th, October 10th,  
November 7th and December 5th

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### LAPFORD OUTREACH POST OFFICE

POST  
OFFICE

OPENING HOURS:

**From 4th September 2023:**

Monday	9.30 - 12.00
Friday	9.30 - 12.00

## NATIONAL BLOOD SERVICE



Donations can be made at  
Boniface Centre, Crediton,  
on or 12th or 26th September  
from 1.10am-7.15pm



Call the donor helpline on 0300 123 23 23  
for more information or to check for cancellations

*Do something amazing - Give Blood!*

## LAPFORD'S DEFIBRILATOR



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The Orchard Centre  
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## LAPFORD LOOKOUT TO CONTACT THE EDITOR



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### USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

- Emergency numbers ~ 999 or 112
- Childline ~ 0800 1111
- Churches House Action Team ~ 01884 255606
- Citizens Advice Bureau ~ 03444 111 444
- CAB Crediton ~ 01363 776210 (M, W, Th, 9-3)
- Crediton Ring and Ride ~ 01363 773303
- Crimestoppers ~ 0800 555 111
- Dog Fouling/Fly Tipping ~ 01884 255255
- Environment Agency Floodline ~ 0845 9881188
- Farming Community Network ~ 03000 111 999
- Gas Emergency ~ 0800 111999
- Highways (roads/lights/potholes) ~ 0345 155 1004
- Mental Health Support Out of Hours ~ The Moorings @Devon ~ Exeter: 07990 790 920 or Barnstaple: 07850 927 064
- NHS for non urgent medical needs ~ 111
- Patient Participation Group ~ Bill Graham ~ 01363 83047
- Police Non-emergency ~ 101
- Power cut ~ 105 or 0800 6783 105
- RABI 24/7 Support Line ~ 0800 188 4444
- RSPCA ~ 0300 1234 999
- Safeguarding concerns and Social Services ~ 0845 6000388
- Samaritans ~ 116 123, 01271 374343, 01392 411711
- SHOUT ~ Text 85258 for help from crisis volunteers
- Water leaks or burst mains ~ 0800 230 0561



### LAPFORD WEBSITES

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### NEED TRANSPORT TO YOUR MEDICAL APPOINTMENT?



Lapford Voluntary Car Aid provides the residents of the village (including friends and family staying with you) with courteous, reliable, fully insured drivers to get you to your appointment safely and on time. Bookings can be made by telephoning Grace Hill on 83178. Current fares are as follows:

- Bow Medical Centre - £6
- Chulmleigh Dental Practice - £6
- Chulmleigh Health Centre - £6
- Crediton (Breast Screening) - £7
- Crediton Community Hospital - £6
- Morchart Bishop Surgery - £4
- Redlands Health Centre - £7
- Witheridge Surgery - £6

We have LVCA drivers available to take anyone to have their Covid/flu vaccinations. Please contact Grace as above.

### LAPFORD LOOKOUT



#### ADVERTISING RATES AND POLICY

Lapford Lookout has a circulation of 600 copies and the advertising of village events is free of charge. There is a charge for all other advertisements and current advertising rates, **payable in advance**, are:

- One eighth page: £7 per month.
- One quarter page: £14 per month.
- One half page: £28 per month.
- Whole page: £56 per month.

Pay for twelve months and you get **one extra month, FREE!** Please send all advertising requests to the Editor in time to make the deadline of the 14th of each month for inclusion in the next issue. Please allow sufficient time to make your advance payment which may be by BACS or cheque. Payment details will be on your invoice.

### LAST POSTING TIMES AROUND THE VILLAGE



	<u>Mon-Fri</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
Eastington Cross	9.00 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Woodland Cottage	9.00 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Industrial Estate	9.00 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Highfield	9.00 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Orchard Way	9.00 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Saxtons	9.00 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Morchart Road	9.00 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Copplestone	4.30 p.m.	11.15 a.m.

In addition, items left at the Post Office during opening hours will be posted that day via North Tawton.

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# JULIET DOSWELL: A CELEBRATION

We are celebrating the life of Juliet Doswell on 30th September at 12 noon in the Victory Hall. Everyone welcome. Juliet died on 3rd August 2023 with her children by her side. No flowers but donations to NSPCC or Alzheimer's Society.

Juliet was an amazing lady full of boundless energy and encouragement often with a twinkle of mischief. She loved her family and friends with an open door policy for all in need until she was unable to due to dementia. She loved the village of Lapford and was a driving force behind setting up The ARK with Briony. The allotments are named after her as she gave some of the land so that people can eat. Her donkeys providing the fertiliser! She was part of Yeo Valley Fellowship - now Lapford Community Church, leading services, enjoying games at the Revel weekend and summer holiday club. Many have fond memories and giggles of her involvement in Open the Book performing Bible stories at Lapford School.

As an Early Years Teacher and Lecturer she was passionate about children and giving every child the best opportunities to develop into amazing people. She then supported many teachers and schools as a Lecturer, Acting Director of Education for Diocese of Exeter and was also a Director for Chulmleigh Academy supporting Lapford School.

Forever loved.  
**Gwen, Isabella and Sophia Trendell**

