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## Rectory Notes—July 2020 – ‘Rock and wind’



For the first time in an age, I stepped with delight out of the car last week onto Dartmoor soil. In each place we've lived in Devon, I have found a 'spiritual landscape home' – here it's up at Hembury Fort. But Dartmoor remains my home-of-homes.

The springy turf sunk familiarly under my boots, and the granite stones in the path were like old friends, as I walked unhurriedly between tors. Just five minutes' drive beyond the ice-creams of Haytor Rocks, and the space was my own. A lightness of spirit lifted me. I felt I was unfurling from the crampedness of lockdown.

I know and love these rocks. Haytor lay just 10 minutes from our Bovey Tracey home when I was a curate. Occasionally I would cycle up – which took a little longer! But it was worth every pedal-stroke for the achievement – and The Best Downhill in Devon going home! Ten years older, I'd now find it a tougher climb...

These rocks are, to me, the heart of Devon. Dartmoor's granite intrusion appears on geology maps of Devon as a delightful, huge red blob. Wherever we've moved, I'd go to a high place and lo, there was Dartmoor in sight again. The Moor is mysterious when shrouded in cloud, it smiles in the sun. It's solid, it's safe, and it's always there. Standing on the Moor feels for me like standing on the solidity of God. God as Rock.

Yet there is more. Up on Dartmoor you catch the wind – there's almost always wind up there! Standing aloft last week on one of the granite outcrops, breathing in the fresh moorland air blowing through me, round me, over me – coming from wherever it did and heading wherever it was going – it was like a reviving embrace from Life's breath. God as Wind – God as Spirit. I unfurled further.

I dropped off Dartmoor in the car down the familiar long descent. Back to valleys, the Otter valley and home. But we carry these moments with us, moments which remind us of a reality that is often hard to see in the toil of the everyday, especially during these coronavirus days. God as Rock, God as Wind. May he be these to us through these times.

***Rev David Carrington  
Team Vicar of Escot, Feniton and Payhembury  
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Feniton: David Lanning or Cara Sanders(850262)

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You may have noticed that we have been permitted to open the church again for use as a calm place for silent reflection from 9 to 5 every day. We have been required to limit the space, so the toilet and kitchen area are out of bounds and children's toys have been put away. The door remains open, the lights are left switched on and sanitising gel is in the porch. At the end

of each day a PCC member will wipe down surfaces to ensure that it is safe for the next day. Sadly we still cannot hold soup lunches, coffee mornings or ladies' nights out. Churchyard clean-up will be on Saturday 25 July.

***Christine Thair***

## **Tale Millers CC**

Apologies, readers, for the radio silence – Cricket hasn't really been up there at the top of the agenda over recent months, not a clue why.

We are in the process of preparing the pitch for some training sessions and hopefully by early July a few of us will be able to gather and reacquaint ourselves with long forgotten skills - some of us will need a very good memory. Of course, we had a good spell of weather whilst we couldn't play so no doubt our release onto the field of play will coincide with thunderous showers! We still very much hope to be able to play games later in the summer and will update the village website once we have clearance to play - without spitting on the ball of course. We will, I imagine, have to appoint a ball sanitisation officer in due course and are happy to receive applications. Thank you to Jason, Will, Shane, Riley, Postie etc who have helped out with the ground .

Finally, our Player of the Year, Jason Wood, celebrates fifty years of life and, being an awesome guy, (a bit cheesy I know) just prior to publication of the magazine, we all hope you had a great day and enjoyed watching every Star Wars film ever made (everyone should have a guilty pleasure) as part of the celebration and look forward to continuing the celebrations when we can all meet up.

Not strictly cricket but following the shop selling out of Ruby Red Tuck Mill Beef, we do still have a good supply which can be bought straight from the farm, just give me a shout or call in.

See you one at a time on the pitch

***Jon Carden***





Many of us are eating (and drinking) rather more than usual during these challenging times. Amaya Duggan-Jones and Hattie Mullin, however, decided to cut out all sweet treats for the whole of June, to raise money for a children's charity.

They're fundraising for Mary's Meals, a global charity that gives food to chronically hungry children. By giving up ice-cream, chocolate, crisps, sweets and cake, Hattie and Amaya are aiming to feed 30 children in need for a whole school year! You can find out more about the charity at [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk). If you'd like to support Amaya and Hattie, the fundraising link is <https://bit.ly/2ZTsy4V>

***Kate Duggan***



The residents of Markers Park enjoyed a drink together to celebrate VE Day. Brian and Pat and Ken kindly hosted it on their lawn and driveway, with lots of background wartime singalong music.

It was a bit difficult to take photos of everyone because of strict social distancing, but about 26 folk thoroughly enjoyed meeting up, and a great afternoon was had by all.

***Marjorie Southall***



## **BLACK LIVES MATTER**

My family and I have lived in wonderful Payhembury since September 2018 and love the communal spirit and how we have been made to feel welcome in the village. This has been pivotal in our stay here as we are a mixed-race family and are aware that within rural communities, such as this, we are the minority.

The trials and tribulations over recent months with the Covid 19 Pandemic, supporting the NHS and celebrating VE Day, reminded us of what true communal spirit means. However, we unfortunately noted a lack of acknowledgement of the current serious issues regarding race and colour. The issue of racism has been prevalent for longer than a majority of us are even aware of, simply because it is not on the educational agenda and perhaps due to a lack of diversity in rural close-knit communities.

Our NHS would be unable to function without the inclusion of staff from a diverse range of ethnicities and colour, as would our GP surgeries. From the music we listen to, the films we watch and the food we eat, people of colour and race have always made a significant contribution to our everyday lives, but it often goes unacknowledged.

Imagine every time you leave the relative safety of your home you are concerned at being singled out and subjected to racial abuse or taunts because of the colour of your skin. This is an experience that I can confidently say a majority of us will never endure in our own lives and therefore we take these privileges for granted.

To end racism in our modern-day society, education and equality are paramount. We are today reaching out to each of you to please educate your beautiful selves and your children on the true origins of our diverse country and embrace anti-racism wholeheartedly.

***Claire Makarewicz***



Shane and Katie, who have been at Flays Farmhouse for some time

Robyn, Pete, Ben and Jamie, to Willows End, Lower Tale

Adam, Sarah, Grace and Joseph, to Godfreys Farm

## Latest News from the Village Hall

As you know the Village Hall Committee have been working hard on the new kitchen replacement. We are almost there!! Many thanks for all the donations to help finish this project. Special thanks to Payhembury Provisions, the Parish Council and the community for supporting the events over the years to help raise some extra money.

We hope you like the before and after pictures and agree the transformation is amazing. More pictures will be available on the Village Hall Facebook site and our very own web page [payhemburyvillagehall.org.uk](http://payhemburyvillagehall.org.uk)

The Village Hall committee would like to thank the local tradespeople whose expert help has meant this project is finished to a high standard. Special thanks to Dan Wadworth Carpentry for the installation and Dan Palmer Smokeless Energy for the electrical work.

The replacement front doors and fire exit are due very soon.

The Committee is also working hard to be compliant with the government Covid guidelines ready for when we are allowed to reopen. We miss you and can't wait to share this great community asset with you again. We will keep you up to date on this progress.

Our Annual General Meeting was due to take place in May, this has now been pushed back to September. The confirmed date and time will be circulated in advance. Please visit our website for the latest updates. [payhemburyvillagehall.org.uk](http://payhemburyvillagehall.org.uk) Thank you again for your support and patience during this time.

***Payhembury Village Hall Committee***



## **Tea & Bingo - Recipe of the Month (from Marjorie)**

### **BANANA AND CHOCOLATE CHIP LOAF**

Serves 6--8

#### Ingredients

*1 and a half ripe bananas*

*1 tbsp milk*

*50g /2 oz soft butter or baking spread*

*75g /3oz plain flour*

*75g /3oz caster sugar*

*half tsp bicarbonate of soda*

*half tsp baking powder*

*1 egg*

*50g /2oz chocolate chips*



#### Method

1. *Preheat oven to 160/140 fan/gas 3. Grease and line a 450g /1lb loaf tin*
2. *Use a fork to mash the peeled banana in a mixing bowl. Add the remaining cake ingredients (except the choc chips ) and beat with a whisk until combined and smooth*
3. *Stir in the chocolate chips and spoon the mixture into the prepared loaf tin. Level the top*
4. *Bake for 40 - 45 minutes or until risen and golden brown. Test with knife to make sure it's cooked in middle*
5. *Set aside to cool for 10 minutes, then remove from tin and leave to cool on a wire rack.*

*If you want to decorate the top, melt 50g / 2oz cooking chocolate in a bowl over a pan of hot water and pipe in zigzags over the top of cake.*

*You can double the size of this cake - bake in a 900g/2lb loaf tin for 55 minutes. It's delicious --so enjoy!*

## Hi 'Quizzlings'



Answers to last month's quiz:

1. 157.6cms or 5'2"
2. 51.9 metres
3. 1.7 million
4. By throwing a knotted length of line and counting how many ran out over a set time.
5. 56 countries
6. 4,100 miles
7. 1.4 billion people
8. A mountain
9. The earth
10. 6K trees

And the winner was..... Francis Wigram, who will receive a prize.

A rural flavour quiz this month:

1. What is lucerne also called?
2. What is the curved wooden handle of a scythe called?
3. What is a 'Tattie Bogle'?
4. Approximately how many sheep in UK?
5. The word 'pollard' has two meanings. What are they?
6. What were 'spud' legs?
7. What is the name of a group of goldfinches?
8. In which country is Africa's highest mountain?
9. What two things are made from flax?
10. What was the weight of a truss of new hay?

Answers to the Parish Paper ([payhemburypaper@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:payhemburypaper@yahoo.co.uk)) by 14<sup>th</sup> July please. They will be forwarded to the quizmaster.



### **Message to dog walkers:**

Dog poo bags are continually appearing in Poffitt Lane and even in the field where cattle are grazing. If you are a dog walker, who leaves poo bags around, you are risking human and animal health.

### **Message to all walkers:**

Please close gates—even if it appears there are no animals around.

***Christine Thair***

Biddy Hall has sent in this recipe, with the comment: "In these days of uncertainty (and, currently, inclement weather) any comfort is welcome. I offer you my grandson (5 ¾) Jake Young's recipe for Mountain Hot Chocolate. He and his family love skiing and snowboarding and this hot drink is a welcome all-season warmer in the mountains – or anywhere!

### Jake's Mountain Hot Chocolate

#### **You will need:**

A flask with a lid. If you don't have a flask, you can make it in a mug and stir, but it's less fun!

#### **Ingredients:**

- 2 teasp Cadbury's drinking chocolate powder
- 1 teasp cocoa powder
- 2/3 cup boiling water
- 1/3 cup cold milk

#### **Method:**

1. Add powders to flask
2. Add water and mix
3. Put on lid tightly
4. Shake!
5. Add milk
6. Shake again
7. Enjoy



**theWI**  
**INSPIRING WOMEN**

Hello again from everybody in the WI. We have, of course, had no meetings....the shut-down of everything sociable is continuing, and the hall is closed as well!...so I cannot tell you all about the fascinating things we have learned since last month. Strangely, I have become interested in the statistics about the covid disease that are discussed on the radio programme, More Or Less. Very mathematical!

On that theme, there is a puzzle I remember from my Midland childhood, which perhaps some of you may recall? It is...

*If a hen and a half lays an egg and a half in a day and a half, and tripe costs tuppence a pound, how long does it take a monkey to swim the English Channel?*

The answer will be provided next month, and let's hope the Top Boffins say we can meet together soon, so watch this space.



There are many tasks which go on behind the scenes in the shop, from entering reams of data on the computer to paying the bills, date checking the stock, fetching the frozen food from Exeter, ordering and sourcing products, cleaning and tidying, watering the plants, keeping the storeroom organised and hauling the deliveries up there each week. We are very grateful to everyone who helps with these and the countless other jobs, as well as to all those who have become masters of the electronic till. Your help has enabled us to make donations this month to the Parish Hall for the smart new kitchen and to the Cricket Club, both of which have suffered great loss of income due to the lockdown. We hope many villagers will enjoy the benefits of both. If you are involved with another village organisation that has been hit by the current crisis, please come and talk to us.

We have a few new products in the shop now, the first is flour from Matthews Cotswold Flour who mill many different types of flour including their very popular Cotswold Crunch. If you have a request for a particular type of flour, please let us know and we'll see what we can do.

We know our customers love our local beef, as it usually disappears off the shelves within a couple of days so we hope you'll be pleased that at the end of the month we will have more very local, grass fed beef in the shop from the South Devon herd reared by the Leach family. Let's hope the sunny weather continues so we can all enjoy this tasty beef on barbecues with family and friends throughout the summer.

*Mary Whiting*

### **Message from those who order for the shop:**

You are sure to have noticed the holes in the shelves at the moment – and no doubt missing some of your favourite items! We just wanted to let you know that your “ordering team” have all been working very hard to restock, but we do have trouble, particularly with Bookers and Queenswood. An example is that there is virtually no dried fruit to be had from them (even though you might see it in the big supermarkets!) and lack of raisins means no chocolate or yogurt raisins as well as the actual dried fruit.

We will continue to try to get our normal stock or anything which might be an alternative – we managed to obtain flour from Crusty Cob and are now getting it from Matthews Cotswold flour. Other items are slowly appearing but, be assured, we are doing our best and hope things will be back to normal soon.

***Your continued custom and patience is much appreciated!***



Having indulged in panic borrowing from Clyst Vale Library in March, the books were soon devoured and I heard about **Libby**, which is the new way you can download ebooks and audio books – all free. I recommend it.

**Christine Thair**

Last month's magazine had information from Honiton Library, here is more:

Libraries Unlimited, the charity that runs Devon Libraries, has a wide selection of books, films, magazines, information and music on offer. Browse their catalogue to discover an unlimited world of books, magazines, information and resources.

You can also use [RBDigital](#), [OverDrive](#) and [BorrowBox](#) to download free magazines, eBooks and eAudio.

If you are not currently a library member you can join online. Once you have completed the online joining form, you will be given a temporary [UNREG] number which will enable you to access the digital library immediately. As and when libraries re-open, temporary memberships will be processed and library cards issued to new members.

Library staff are busy preparing so that they can safely welcome you back into libraries in a phased approach. Libraries will be starting with a contactless 'Choose & Collect' service which will be available at most libraries and four pilot libraries opening initially with limited public access to the building and bookable sessions on public computers. Libraries will be operating on reduced opening hours and the phased plan will enable them to operate in a socially distanced way.

From Monday 6th July, a limited service will be available at three pilot libraries (Braunton, Chudleigh and **Honiton**) and opening will roll out across Devon in the following weeks. Both mobile libraries and the home library service have extra considerations for social distancing and plans will be announced soon. <https://www.librariesunlimited.org.uk/>

<https://www.devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/catalogue>



All is still very well at Yellingham and I must admit that the now somewhat “established” rules and cleaning schedules introduced into the household at the beginning of lockdown many months ago are still in place and operating quite well.....although Edward still needs the odd reminder that his responsibility to clean one out of a total of 18 rooms is really not too much to ask !



As far as the B and B is concerned, there is still no confirmed date or concrete guidance on when we will open and in what form. How the devil breakfast will work, I don't know. We are renowned for our wonderful, creative breakfasts where everyone sits around a large table laid up - fresh flowers, linen napkins, fresh fruit from the garden, homemade preserves and more. I don't think we can achieve that with social distancing likely to remain in place, but I have been proactive and have thought of a few options:

- Perhaps it will have to be room service – surely not. For a start Edward would have to fit a bell in each room, like upstairs, downstairs – unlikely to be successful as electrics are not on his cv. Secondly, the thought of running up and down the stairs hundreds of times in full PPE would put me in a state of sheer exhaustion after one service and finally – possibly the worst scenario – would be the risk of seeing my guests in silky negligées, boxer shorts, or even worse.....nothing at all! Perish the thought.
- Maybe we could set up a conveyor belt from the kitchen to the dining room, so no contact is necessary just like the chain of restaurants Yo! Sushi. The only problem I can see is that guests would be chatting and forget to pick up their food, or they will choose someone else's, and I can see the conveyor belt just whirring around for hours with cold food, full plates, empty plates and goodness knows what else. Actually, the whole idea is rubbish because the gradient from the kitchen to the dining room is about 1 in 10 and every plate would slide back to Edward and the swear box would be full within minutes.
- Final idea.....No longer call ourselves a Farmhouse Bed and Breakfast and remove the word breakfast from all our advertising..... Bed only! Perfect solution!

What will be will be and I am looking forward to opening the gates once more to our wonderful guests when we feel ready to do so safely and, in a way which means breakfast can still be the perfect start to the day. The polytunnel is overflowing with fruit and vegetables, the garden has never looked better, the lambs are growing on wonderfully, so we've got a lot to look forward to and share when the time is right.

**Janet East**

## **Update on proposed 6-week road closure in Colestocks**

The proposed 6-wk road closure in Colestocks to enable Western Power to connect a property has obviously been delayed by the current pandemic. In mid-June I spoke to Western Power who confirmed that they are still investigating alternative ways to avoid closing the road for such a long time. A solution had not been agreed at that time and the 6-wk road closure has not been ruled out, although it is a last resort. Hopefully a better solution will be agreed soon. Once a decision has been made, there will be a minimum of a month's notice of any closure that is required. Updates will be made available on the Parish Council website [http://www.payhemburyparishcouncil.org.uk/Roads and Highways 29495.aspx](http://www.payhemburyparishcouncil.org.uk/Roads_and_Highways_29495.aspx) or you can contact the Parish Council direct via [payhemburypc@googlemail.com](mailto:payhemburypc@googlemail.com) for further information. Updates will also be published in the Parish Paper.

## **Separate and different road closure in Colestocks**

The Parish Council have received notice of a short road closure in Colestocks at the start of August to enable engineers to work safely on overhead structures. The roads from Blueball X to The Forge and from Blueball X to Spence X will be closed to through traffic and for parking from Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> to Wed 5<sup>th</sup> August inclusive (for a maximum of 5 days!! – that is what it says on the form). The form gives the proposed diversion route and is available on the Parish Council website - [http://www.payhemburyparishcouncil.org.uk/Roads and Highways 29495.aspx](http://www.payhemburyparishcouncil.org.uk/Roads_and_Highways_29495.aspx) or you can contact the Parish Council direct via [payhemburypc@googlemail.com](mailto:payhemburypc@googlemail.com)

## **Payhembury Parish Council July meeting**

The July meeting will be held online using Zoom, in the same way as the meetings in May. As I explained last month, the Parish Council decided to upgrade from the free Zoom package to the Zoom Pro version. There was a small cost for doing this, but Parish Councils are recommended to use Zoom Pro because of the enhanced security features and no time limit on the length of meetings.

To join the Parish Council meeting you will need the meeting ID and password – see below or on the Parish Council noticeboard. For those that might want to take part but not via the internet, it is possible to join a Zoom meeting via a telephone call. However, there may be a cost involved with that option, depending on your phone contract details. Alternatively details and further information can always be obtained from the Parish Clerk via [payhemburypc@googlemail.com](mailto:payhemburypc@googlemail.com). The meeting agenda and minutes will be available as normal on the Parish Council website ([http://www.payhemburyparishcouncil.org.uk/Agendas and Minutes 28525.aspx](http://www.payhemburyparishcouncil.org.uk/Agendas_and_Minutes_28525.aspx)) and the noticeboard. **Meeting ID - 861 8076 3359**      **Password - 803086**

No additional meetings are currently anticipated, but if needed, the date/time will be published on the noticeboard, the Parish Council website (<http://www.payhemburyparishcouncil.org.uk/default.aspx>) and via the Payhembury Parish facebook page. The meeting ID and password will be on the noticeboard or can be obtained from the Parish Clerk. Please keep an eye out for details and pass them on to friends and neighbours who may not have seen them.

***Dawn Chamberlain, Parish Clerk***

## Paul's Nature Notes May/June 2020

We have watched spellbound as the wrens garnered up countless small insects and spiders for their young, working along the banks of the stream and on the bridge in late afternoon. Then we were treated to the sight of six babies fledging and they have stayed around in a group foraging. Did you know that it is only the female which sings?



Last year I mentioned a tiny trial wildflower patch sown with seed-balls. This did quite well except that this year the Ox-eye Daisies had really taken over and had to be thinned out. I elongated the strip by about 15m and sowed a varied assortment of seeds. Having spoken to many people about the creation of wildflower meadows, it seems to me that the holy-grail is all about getting Yellow Rattle to grow. Well, the seed sourced from Goren Farm germinated spectacularly well. It will be interesting to see how matters develop next year.

This has been an amazing year for the number of bee swarms. We have managed to capture and keep two which landed in the garden and both are doing well. Andrew and Cherry captured a massive swarm, one that took considerable effort to capture and house, but they are delighted with the result.



What an incredible year it is turning out to be for growing flowers, fruit and vegetables, that is if you managed to cover everything on the few nights when the temperatures fell down to freezing. We had two large feeds of strawberries before the end of May – they are grown uncovered out in the open – and everything seems to be several weeks earlier than usual. Our Candelabra Primulas have put on a spectacular display in the bog garden and the moisture loving worts and Astilbes will soon be putting on their own, having purchased several new varieties last year when we revisited Marwood Hill Gardens near Barnstaple.

My latest project has been to create a large circular bed near the wildlife pond, the backbone to which is a wide variety of Heucheras, all purchased from High Garden Nurseries at Kenton, that gorgeous garden near Powderham Castle.

Andrew and Cherry have been telling me for some time about seeing Red Kites hunting across their paddock at Mousehole Farm and now Francis has seen one at Upton. Let us hope that these birds will settle in the area.



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**Deadline for August is Saturday 18 July 4pm**

**Rainfall:** May was a record breaking dry month with only a few mm in the first few days. The drought really broke on 10<sup>th</sup> June when we had several days of significant rain and thunderstorms have now arrived on 17<sup>th</sup> June with heavy rain.

**Temperatures:** The temperatures in May were well above average with a maximum of 26.9 degC on the 26<sup>th</sup>, close to a record for May, although the night-time minima were colder than average. May was also a good month for sunshine compared to recent years. The June temperatures have been close to average for the first 2 weeks.

**Weather elsewhere:** Flooding in south and central China has caused more than a dozen deaths and forced hundreds of thousands of people from their homes in early June. Tropical Storm Cristobal made landfall on 7 June near the mouth of the Mississippi River. It brought winds of up to 50 mph and spawned a tornado in Florida. Heavy rainfall and a storm surge caused flooding in coastal areas of Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi and Florida. Finally a locust swarm is making its way across the north of India, part of a prolonged streak of invasions of a severity not seen in 25 years.

**Payhembury Monthly Temperatures degC**

May 2020/ June (2 weeks)	1960-90 Climate	Measured Averages	Warmer or colder than average?
Max Temp	15.0/18.4	20.0/19.3	Warmer
Min Temp	6.8/9.8	5.6/8.4	Colder
Mean Temp	11.1/14.1	12.8/13.8	Warmer/Colder
Temp Range	8.4/8.6	14.3/11.0	
Highest Max	27/32.5	26.9/27	2 Jun 20
Lowest Min	-1.5/1.5	0.2/2.9	12 May 20
Lowest Max	8/10	13.1/12.1	6 Jun 20
Highest Min	15/18.5	10.1/12.2	1 Jun 20
<b>Payhembury</b>	<b>Rainfall mm</b>		<b>Date of max</b>
May 2020	62	8	5 May 20
Jun 2020 2 weeks	26	36	12 Jun 20

Current weather in Payhembury and a forecast can be viewed at [www.payhembury-weather.co.uk](http://www.payhembury-weather.co.uk)

**Roger Saunders**

## INFORMATION PAGE

**Non urgent police contact 101**

**Honiton Hospital** 01404 540540 (Minor Injury Unit 8am-10pm)  
**RD&E Hospital Exeter** 01392 411611  
**V.E.T.S. (Village Emergency Telephone System)** 01404 565605

### Your Parish Council

Meetings held 2nd Wed of alternate months (starting January) 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Tim Cox (Chair)	01404 850005	Robert Leach (Vice-Chair)	01404 841408
Clair Kimber	01404 841320	Ryan Eaton	07957 590880
David Silver	07736610730	Phil Chamberlain	01404 841773
Eva Ingleson	07792 627802	Parish Clerk: Dawn Chamberlain,	01404 841 773

Parish Council email address: [payhemburypc@googlemail.com](mailto:payhemburypc@googlemail.com)

### Useful numbers at the County Council (all 0345)

General Enquiries	155 1015	Registrars	155 1002
Roads and Transport	155 1004	Libraries	155 1001
Disability Information	155 1005	Children/Families	155 1013
Bus passes	01392 383 688		

### Emergencies

Social Care 0345 600 0388  
Highways 01392 383329  
Animal Welfare, Petrol, Explosives 01392 499499

### Useful numbers at the District Council

Switchboard: 01404 515616 (Use for all enquiries during office hours)  
Address: East Devon District Council, Blackdown House, Border Road,  
Heathpark Industrial Estate, Honiton, EX14 1EJ

Email: [csc@eastdevon.gov.uk](mailto:csc@eastdevon.gov.uk)

*In an emergency outside opening hours, phone 01395 516854*

Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 5pm

There is free parking in the car park in front of the building during opening hours

County Councillor: Ian Chubb 01297 35468 District Councillor: Philip Skinner 01404 822855

## **PAYHEMBURY VILLAGE HALL HIRE AND CHARGES**

Please contact Hazel Pike on [hazepike18@gmail.com](mailto:hazepike18@gmail.com) or 841465 for details and to book.

(Please telephone before 7pm)

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### **Opening hours and contact details**

Monday to Friday 8am to 7pm

Saturday 8am to 1pm

Sunday 8am to 12pm

Tel: 01404 841856 or [info@payhemburyprovisions.co.uk](mailto:info@payhemburyprovisions.co.uk)

## Bus use survey by Devon County Council

Chris Burridge-Barney, a graduate Trainee Transport Planner at Devon County Council, is being sponsored to undertake a part-time degree in Transportation Planning and Engineering at the University of Southampton. As part of the degree, he plans to produce a dissertation examining the impacts of Devon's bus network, including removing barriers to employment, reducing congestion and pollution, and improving physical and mental health (by, for instance, reducing social isolation and providing transport for outdoor leisure trips). He has asked if I would be able to circulate a survey that he is using to collect data on why people use Devon's bus network, what they would do if the buses were unavailable, and what impacts buses have on users. The survey can be found at <https://www.isurvey.soton.ac.uk/37229>.

*He says 'Clearly, bus patronage levels are significantly reduced at present, but I would like respondents to focus on how they have used buses in 'normal' (i.e. pre-COVID) times. This is based on the assumption that the recent changes in travel patterns are likely to be temporary in nature, and so pre-COVID passenger data is likely to be a more robust basis for appraising the typical costs and benefits of the services, although I have included a section asking respondents whether they expect to make long-lasting changes to their use of bus services, to test this assumption.'*

He is also looking to conduct online interviews with bus users, to discuss some of the impacts in greater depth. If you would be interested in taking part in an interview, can you please send an email to his university email address ([cgbb1e18@soton.ac.uk](mailto:cgbb1e18@soton.ac.uk)), so that a suitable date and time can be arranged. He has sent a 4 page information sheet for interview participants, which gives greater detail on the purpose of the research, the benefits and risks to participating, and how interview participants' data will be used (similar information as provided at the start of the online survey). If you are interested in this information sheet, please contact me via [payhemburypc@googlemail.com](mailto:payhemburypc@googlemail.com) and I will forward it to you.

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