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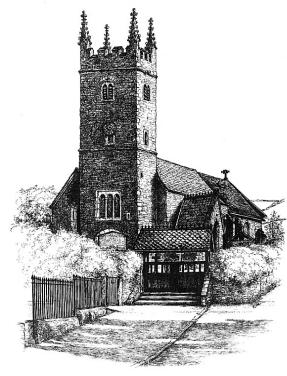
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THE QUEENS ASCENSION TO THE THRONE (February 2022 Reflection)

This February there will be a specific focus as our nation begins to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of Elizabeth II's Ascension to the throne on 6th February 1952. Although her coronation was held the following year, at the heart of this ceremony we recall the wonderful promise of hope given by the Psalmist: 'You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows' [Psalm 23:5]. During the coronation of a sovereign, 'to be anointed' is very strongly associated to the making of a very sacred promise. When Holy Oil is placed on them, those who participate in the service believe that the sovereign is being transformed and brought into direct contact with the divine – forever changed and bound 'heart, soul, mind and strength' to God. The words of Psalm 23 have long been associated with King David, and from ancient times it has been recognised that this act of consecration before the Living God is the single most holy, most sacred moment – for the person being anointed is undertaking a lifelong commitment to rule and to govern under God, as their Father in heaven.

So often in recent years we have been reminded of our Queen's initial commitment to serve in this way; beginning with a speech given during her tour in South Africa on the occasion of her 21st Birthday 'I should like to make that dedication now. It is very simple. I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great family to which we all belong. God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it'.

Long before the coming of Jesus into the world the prophet Micah spoke with boldness to followers of the Living God under the threat of great darkness, suffering and turmoil: 'He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?' And in the modern world of today where we see that not much has changed since then, we can testify of how our queen has applied her obedience to these words given by Micah from before the time of her coronation. We can also witness that that she has also faithfully kept to her promise 'to devote her life in the service of others', a promise she also pledged before God so long ago. In addition to acknowledging and expressing our gratitude for the promises she undertook, are we also willing to apply these challenging words amongst those with whom we engage with and to apply them to our daily lives each day as well?

Anna Venables, Licensed Lay Minister [Haldon Mission Community]

Ideford Christmas Raffle

St Mary's Church, the Millennium Green and the Village Hall Committee would like to thank everyone who purchased raffle tickets and donated prizes for the Ideford Christmas Raffle. £490 profit was raised, so each committee will receive £163. *Many thanks*

FEBRUARY SERVICES

Sunday February 6th 4th Sunday before Lent

4.30pm Evensong Ideford

Sunday February 13th 3rd Sunday before Lent

11.30am Holy Communion Ashcombe 6.30pm Evensong Luton

Sunday February 20th 2nd Sunday before Lent

10.30am Holy Communion Ideford

Sunday February 27th Sunday next before Lent

5.00pm Bible Reading & Community Prayer Ashcombe

For other services in the team please see the team website:

www.haldonteam.org.uk

From the Parish Registers

Ashcombe

The funeral of Kevin John Welsh (7.7.1955 - 8.1.2022)

Ideford

The funeral of Terence Reginald (Terry) Dore (5.9.1936 - 7.12.2021)

May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory

Dates for your diary - regular events

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday 10th February 2022 at 7pm in Ideford Village Hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

BISHOPSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meetings are held at the Community Centre, Shute Hill, commencing at 7.00pm.

February 7th 2022 Full Council Meeting February 21st 2022 Planning Committee

BELL RINGING PRACTICE

Practices are normally in Ideford Church on Thursday evenings from 7.30pm until 9.00pm. We would love to have some new ringers join our team, please contact David Aylmore (852259) or Martin Sampson (853391) for more information.

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St Mary's Festive Lunch

Our warm, very well equipped and Christmassy Village Hall was the venue for St Mary's Festive Sunday lunch in December. Quiz, raffle and a delicious 3 course lunch were enjoyed by local friends, family and neighbours. Thank you for your support and very positive feedback. **SAVE THE DATE** - a similar event will take place on Sunday 11 December 2022!

GENERAL INFORMATION

<u>Ideford Church Key Rota</u> (Dates in bold print indicate the 'service' days.)

February 2nd, 6th, 9th, 13th Liz Rice

February 16th, 20th, 23rd, 27th Nicki Horseman

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<u>Items for inclusion in the March 2022 Newsletter</u>

should be sent to: Janet Aylmore at j23aylmore@gmail.com by Wednesday, February 16th 2022 please. Items for the Parish website should be sent to Juliette at

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The Wildlife Survey – Results!

The results are in. How is the wildlife doing round here? Do we still have hedgehogs? Has my neighbour seen something I never knew was there? We received 37 responses (thank you to everyone who filled in a form) and the results are shown below.

	Frequently	Rarely	Once	Never
Badger	4	6	4	23
Hedgehog	2	9	4	22
Fox	13	8	4	12
Stoat	1	7	5	24
Bat	24	6	1	6
Barn Owl	5	8	8	16
Kingfisher	0	1	4	32
Yellowhammer	9	7	4	17
Trout	2	0	3	32
Grass Snake	3	8	1	25

What stands out is how rarely most animals were seen. Most respondents had not seen a badger, hedgehog, stoat, kingfisher, trout or grass snake in the last year and only three species were recorded more than once on a majority of forms. A generation or two back, all 12 would have been common sights.

Better news is that bats were seen frequently by about two-thirds, slow worms frequently by nearly half and foxes & frogs frequently by about a third of respondents.

Barn owls were seen frequently by 14% and yellowhammers by about a quarter. The latter result is encouraging, as this is a species that has declined nationally by 60% in the last 50 years. We must still have some thick hedges and uncut margins for them to find a home.

It is interesting that so many people see bats frequently. We plan to go out with a bat detector in the summer to assess which species they are. The prevalence of slow worms and frogs is good news for gardeners, particularly with a ban on slug pellets coming in next month. Those who keep chickens may be more ambivalent about the foxes.

Numbers of a particular species fluctuate naturally, so it is hard to tell if a low recorded number indicates a long-term decline. There are many disused badger setts in Well Covert and we generally see trout every summer below the bridge at Muddy Bottom. We did not see any last year, though. Could the bridge works have adversely affected the fish, by reducing the size of the pool, or could there be an obstacle downstream that prevents them from getting up this high, or will they be back this year?

We asked you to write on the back of the form any other notable species you had seen and we were delighted to find sightings of a great-green bush cricket, a water rail and two otters in the Colley Brook by Butts Lane! Please let us know at any time if you spot less common wildlife in the parish.

Robin and Dom, The Wildlife Wardens

FAMILY BINGO (it's back!)



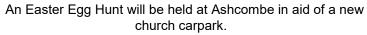
Hopefully, and taking into consideration the Covid rates and rules by then, family bingo will be back in the village hall on **Saturday 5th March**.

Keep an eye out on social media for further details. If you're not on social media and would like to reserve tickets (these events can sell out in as little as 2 days!) then contact Vicki on info@vickigardnerphotography.co.uk or call 01626 854814.

Tickets will be £6 per person and will include some snacks and a hot dog. Further details TBC...

EASTER MONDAY - THE GREAT EGG HUNT!





Refreshments Prize money.

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The Queen's Jubilee

The Millennium Green are planning on holding a big lunch on the green to commemorate this special occasion.

Dates are yet to be confirmed but will be on the Thursday or the Friday of the Jubilee Bank Holiday (2nd or 3rd June).

As we are planning on putting the marquees up, all help will be much appreciated.

We may also do something more informal in the evening, watch this space.

Advance Notice

I know it is a long way off, but I am hoping to have a cream tea in my garden at Oak's Reach on **Sunday 12th June** in aid of Marie Curie. A lot of charities have suffered a loss of income over the last couple of years due to covid.

Marie Curie have been there for so many people, including Rob my husband. So, please make a note of the date in your diaries now.

My thanks to Maureen for the use of her field for parking.

More details to follow later.

Kath Mortimore



Revd Jane writes:

I wonder how the New Year's been for you so far? For some, that metaphor of beginning again is really helpful and for others the physical darkness which continues to frame January days makes life hard work. I have probably been lighting more candles than usual while working at my study desk, as an encouragement to self. As the anonymous 1st century philosopher allegedly wrote, 'it tells the darkness, I beg to differ'. For me they are unspoken prayers for people too. So let's keep lighting those candles and remembering those people who face challenge, which might include ourselves.

In recognition of recent additional work and responsibilities during the year long Rector vacancy on the Haldon Team to which St John's belongs, and dealing with the impact of the pandemic, the Archdeacon of Exeter has granted me a month off in which to take a short sabbatical including some study leave. Therefore, I will not be available from 31 January to 27 February inclusive. Any queries can be addressed to Revd Carol Green, Revd Sue Astbury or the Team Administrator. Locally, do contact Alan Wooderson or a member of the church council: Nicki Horseman, Liz Rice, Tom & Jane Hill, Vicki Gardner, Vanessa Morby.

Revd Jane Frost

Village Hall News

The Village Hall trustees are delighted that Karen Kelly has taken over the role of Treasurer and wish to welcome back Angela Fox onto the committee.

Dates for diaries:

Ideford Craft Show Saturday & Sunday, 13th & 14th August 2022

Autumn Quiz Saturday, 24th September 2022

Christmas Market Saturday, 3rd December 2022, 11am-5pm.

(organised by Ideford Village Hall and St Mary's Church)

Wreath Making Thursday & Friday, 8th and 9th December 2022

The Trustees hope to organise other events during the year and these will be confirmed in a future newsletter.

Rachel Blake

DO YOU SHOP IN TESCO'S????

If so, the Millennium Green needs your blue coins.

The Millennium Green has been chosen as one of the fundraising options for Teignmouth, Newton Abbot and Bovey Tracey Tescos for January until March.

When you shop you are given a blue plastic coin to put in a charity box of your choice, so please choose us!

The money will be used to repair the soft tarmac in the play park.

So please spread the word!!!

Just before Christmas a resident found these beautifully wrapped parcels left on their property, and has asked me to print Jennie's poem as a reminder to dog owners to dispose of their dog's mess responsibly.

POOPER-SCOOPER FAIRY

There is no pooper-scooper fairy here, no little plastic bag patrol.
Abracadabra doesn't seem to work to magically bury Fido's dirt.
No, someone's got to dig a hole.

There is no pooper-scooper fairy here, tapping the twigs with her wand, vanishing doggy doodoos with a touch of voodoo, stripping every bush, every frond.

If I knew where I could find one I'd ask her to Ideford Common to follow all the dog walkers round as they hang their plastic parcels like baubles from the trees, or stuff them where they hope they won't be found.

But there is no pooper-scooper fairy I'm afraid and I'm not volunteering for the task.

So why can't you find a bin to put your dog mess in - get Rover a nappy I don't care if he's unhappy – just don't leave your poop on my path.

Jennie Osborne August 2014



Wildlife display in Ideford Village Hall

May we draw your attention to the new display of local wildlife in Ideford Village Hall. There are some amazing images taken around our village by local talented photographers. When you attend village hall functions, please let us have your feedback.

We would like to thank Stephen Blake, Vicki Gardner, Jan Lunn and Jill Vicary for sharing their photos with us.

If you take any photos of wildlife this year, please let us have copies so we can keep the display up to date.

Many thanks.
Ideford Wildlife Wardens.

105.2 Cllr R Peart recommended attending the Highways Conference, as it would give the opportunity to discuss the problems caused by the A380 closures: Cllr J Gardner hoped to be able to attend.

105.3 Cllr J Gardner met with D Morby and R Aaronson to discuss introducing a Sustainable Ideford scheme. Cllr J Gardner outlined the proposals for establishing the scheme (documents available to view on the website). It was proposed by Cllr D Fox, seconded by Clir H Bellamy & agreed by all to proceed with the proposals. **105.4** To date there has been no response from residents regarding the placing of

trees for the Queen's Green Canopy scheme.

105.5 The PC and Wildlife Wardens urged the trustees of the Millennium Green to consider investigating TPO's for trees (in particular, the oak tree) on its land. 105.6 The Clerk will share advice received from TDC on managing ash dieback, in the Parish News.

105.7 1. Parish Council via the Wildlife Wardens have arranged to be a HUB centre for the free distribution of trees for the Parish. Booked for 11th December and we will organise a collection point at Fore St, the entrance of Millennium Green. This has been secured for residents with the help of Devon Wildlife Trust. There will be 200 Trees available. We shall include an "advert" in the Parish News for publicity.

2. The questionnaire for the Wildlife Survey has been completed. It will be sent to every household with the December Newsletter. The Wardens are hoping for a good response, as even nil returns are informative.

3. NALC held a seminar on 27 October, which illustrated projects being done by parish and town councils elsewhere, to combat climate change and help wildlife. Examples were wildflower road verges, repair cafes and community energy schemes. A link to the recording will be made available to Councillors and anyone else who is interested can obtain it from the Parish Clerk.

106/21 PLANNING

No planning applications to discuss

106.1 The following planning decisions were noted:

21/01945/HOU - 1 Broadlands, road from Longthorn Cottage to Royal Oak Inn -Outbuilding for storage Grant of conditional planning permission 21/01980/HOU – Olchard Cottage, Olchard. Erection of an oak framed garden room attached to side elevation. Grant of conditional planning permission **106.2** Planning Enforcement: No update.

107/21 CONCERNS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS TO COUNCILLORS None

108/21 CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE

108.1 The balance of accounts on 31st October 2021 was £14.640.73.The bank reconciliation for October was agreed by all & signed by the Clerk & the Chairman.

108.2 To request approval for BACS Payments It was proposed by Clir A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr H Bellamy, and agreed by all to approve the following payments: £15.00 Ideford Village Hall October Hire Charge £12.00 Ideford Village Hall October Hire Charge PACT

108.3 The Clerk presented the draft budget and precept for 2022 - 23 ready for approval at the December meeting. After suggesting increasing the annual grant towards insurance costs, the Clerk will request a formal proposal from the Millennium Green.

108.4 To provide a legal and administrative update: NALC have agreed a 4% rise in the affiliation fee for 2022 – 2023.

109/21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING- Thursday 9th December 2021 – precept setting. The meeting ended at 8:40pm

Terry Dore

In December, Ideford said goodbye to another stalwart of the village. Terry lived in the village all of his life and will be sadly missed by his many friends and family.

Bet Dore and family would like to thank everyone for the kind messages and cards received and all who attended the funeral of Terry. Thank you to all who donated to the Devon Air Ambulance, the final sum for donations was £409.

We are very grateful, Bet and family.

Three Cheers for Terry

Three Cheers for Terry - memories abound Of village gatherings when he was around, A life spent in Ideford, he'd no wish to roam, Content in the country, with family and home.

If you went for a walk you'd see him around, Quietly working, clearing the ground. No surprise to learn of all that he knew Of the seasons and wild life, how everything grew, History of our hamlet who once here did what, Old country customs most of us have forgot

He knew every coppice, forest and wood And always, of course, did what he should. Could give the location of every game bird, A real country man, from all that I've heard

Digging and hoeing he was extra keen, His potatoes and beetroot a joy to be seen. In fact you could say, that he was a bit of a 'leq'. Won countless first prizes when showing his veg.

And talking of veg and good things to eat Food rich and tasty - a real special treat. Terry's favourite - I'll tell you no lies Was Bet's delicious home made cooking - especially her pies.

He started the bowls club in our village hall (Is it wood for a roll - up, or should I say ball?) He was, on occasions, a bit of a tease When playing the game used every wheeze. But he encouraged new players and they all learnt a lot, It's partly down to Terry when they bowl a good shot.

Joking aside, let's give him a cheer, So much to remember, that's certainly clear. Perhaps from above he'll be thinking: 'What's all the fuss?' The answer is simple: In his life spent in Ideford, he touched all of us.



Advent Windows

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in last year's Christmas Calendar, I am sure everyone agrees with me that all of the windows were amazing, and gave a real spirit of Christmas as you walked around the village. You will have noticed we also had two stars on the church this year, so that more of the village could see them. Thank you to Ron Hunt for your engineering and carpentry expertise, and to Tom Hill for attaching them. Many will not know but the stars are hinged and fold in half to enable them to go up the church tower, so it is not easy to make them and to put them up. Some of you may have heard us on BBC Radio Devon talking about them. I hope everyone will be keen to do them again this year. If anyone else is interested in participating please let me know.

Jane (<u>tomandjane@live.com</u>)

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Contact Lizzie on 07843 858313 or Email: findinglizzie@hotmail.com

A warm welcome from Namaste Barn.

I hope all is bright with you in 2022. Thank you all for the heart warming feedback received from class participants. It means lots!

Outside the Studio we're inviting wildlife back. Filling the new gardens with plants pollinators love. Last summer on one flower bed I counted over 50 bees! Building on this, we'd love you to join us in planting a woodland here. Join our Yoga for trees event. Plant a tree and as a thank you I'll be offering you a FREE yoga class. I'm aiming for a date in February, so feel free to register your interest.

Inside the studio I share what nourishes us on the inside. So if you'd like a little more 'you' time, through accessible gentle yoga, meditation or stress release, my practices are fitted to support you, both physically and emotionally. And you don't have to tie yourself into a pretzel! If you'd like to get involved with Yoga for Trees or join a class, feel free to get in touch. Or to find out more about my practices please pop to my website, www.itsallaboutfeelingbetter.co.uk

Tel: 07714253992

Looking forward to welcoming you.

Warmly Jo

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104/21 District Councillor Beryl Austen: read by the Chairman.

The subject of sewage has once again come into public concern and has been one over the years since the time that sewage was released into the harbour on high tide many years ago. Following the building of the new works on the river bank the objections have subsided. We are asked to send any comments we have to the overview and scrutiny committee by the 5th November if there are concerns now with regard to the efficiency of the existing system.

Councillors are asked, following the recent murder of a Member of Parliament to communicate with the Local Government Association if there are incidences of abuse and intimidation through the personal experience of councillors. This is to support and highlight good practice and encourage the police to consider their role following this tragic death.

Teignbridge has noted that more 50 to 64 year olds have retired early than in the past which means that this affects the economy as local spending declines. Also local businesses will be unable to attract people with the required skills to work for them. Actions such as automating more processes, offering better pay rates (Teignbridge rates are low compared to other areas) and considering shorter working hours are possibly an aid to dealing with this situation. Training and re-skilling are important. Following objections to the use of the race course for full council meetings the next meeting has been re-allocated to a local community facility so that a local facility can benefit from the need to use larger premises than the Council Chamber

Concerns are still being expressed with regard to face to face meetings.

PC Clarke Orchard – Neighbourhood Beat Manager and PCSO Saul Bunce: read by the Chairman

Monthly crime report/figures for the month of October 2021.

Crimes Recorded - 01/10/2021 to 30/10/2021

Offence	Recorded Crime	Recorded Crime	Recorded Crime
	01/10/2021 to	01/10/2020 to	% Difference
	30/10/2021	31/10/2020	
Stalking & Harass		0	-
Public Order Offe	nces 1	0	-
Total	2	0	-
	Incidents	Incidents	
Incident	01/10/2021 to	1/10/2020 to	Incidents %
Category	31/10/2021	31/10/2020	Difference
Public Safety	2	0	0%
Transport	4	8	-50%
Total	6	8	-25%
The monthly news	sletter is available to	o view on the parish	council website.

105/21 PARISH MATTERS

105.1 The Teignbridge Local Plan Review (Part 3) consultation opens on 15th November and runs for ten weeks. The document sets out further options for where different types of development could be located. The information included within the plan shows all of the development options that are available for public comment, including: potential sites for wind turbines, a potential gypsy and traveller site and potential small residential site options. Land in Ideford has been put forward for wind turbines sites: the PC will encourage individuals to respond as well as producing its own response to the plan.

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ideford Parish Council Meeting held in the village hall on 11th November 2021 at 7:00pm

Present: Cllr David Fox - Chair Cllr A Carter-Woodwark Cl

Cllr J Gardner Cllr M Batting

Cllr H Bellamy

In Attendance: Cllr R Peart Mrs J Thompson - Clerk

Four members of the public

Item Discussion and Decisions

100/21 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7 pm.

Apologies were received from Cllr T Hill, Cllr M Crispin, PC C Orchard and

PCSO S Bunce.

101/21 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwark, seconded by Cllr M Batting and agreed by all to accept the minutes of the meeting of Thursday 14th

October 2021 as a true and accurate record.

102/21 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

103/21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident informed the PC that they had submitted a planning application to remove diseased ash trees at their property: a tree surgeon had

inspected the trees and the resident plans to replant.

104/21 REPORTS

County Councillor Ron Peart

Current works on the A380

The works encompass repairs and surfacing to 6 bridge decks with no works taking place in between. This may give the impression that there is little work happening, as work will be concentrated on the bridge decks. In order to safely get traffic away from work sites a contraflow system has been installed to move traffic from one side of the dual carriageway to the other you need to reduce the length of traffic management as much as possible. The work to the bridge decks requires specialist contractors and it is both more cost effective and quicker to cover a larger area once, rather than a shorter area over a longer period of time. It is our opinion that the general public would prefer us to get the works achieved as guickly as possible to reduce the amount of disruption. The type of work being carried out to bridge decks is highly weather dependent. We hope to maximise periods of good weather by working at multiple locations within the length of the contraflow. One of the main reasons this current work could not be carried out alongside previous resurfacing work earlier in the year was due to the presence of bats. The underside of bridges are potential roosting location for bats. Bats are a protected species, and as such surveys were required to be undertaken by an ecologist after the hibernation period, to ensure that our work did not interfere with their roosts. It is understood that road works do cause large inconvenience unfortunately there is no painless way of carrying out vital works on such a strategic route.

Cllrs again spoke of the problems caused by the A380 closures and Cllr R Peart offered to convey all concerns to Meg Booth



Sustainable Ideford

Supporting a greener future for our community

The Parish Council are announcing a new initiative to enable our community to help battle climate change at a local level.

The recent COP26 summit reminds us of the pressing need for everyone to play their part in mitigating the huge risk climate change poses to us and future generations. Governments can implement global and national policy - but action also needs to take place at a local and personal level.

Central and local government, district and local councils are all now engaged in exploring how they can play a role in reducing carbon emissions, including reliance on fossil fuels, and how to support other initiatives that will lower the risk of further climate change and environmental damage.

Between October 2020 and January 2021, the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) undertook a survey to discover what local parish and town councils were already doing on climate change and what the barriers were that are stopping them from achieving more. NALC are also urging the Government to give local councils a significant role in producing Local Nature Recovery Strategies for example, in response to a recent DEFRA consultation. Further information on this can be accessed online using the following searches:

- NALC's What Can Local Councils Do on Climate Change
- The Devon Climate Assembly Report

A local group called Action on Climate in Teignbridge has been running since 2019. Their ambitious objective is to make Teignbridge 'carbon neutral, with communities, economies and a natural environment that are sustainable, resilient and healthy'.

On the next two pages you will find a survey for you to tell us how you think we might move towards achieving this shared goal – and what is most important to you and your family with regards to sustainability, battling climate change and protecting our local environment This will enable us to understand how we can support or advise on actions we can take as a community. We would encourage everyone, including children, to complete the survey.

You can complete a paper version of the survey overleaf and drop off at: Stapley Cottage, Longthorn Street, Ideford, TQ13OAY. Or – a survey link can be accessed on the 'Sustainable Ideford' page here:

https://www.ideford-parish.co.uk



Sustainable Ideford - Community Survey

1.	What is most important to you: reducing carbon consumption and footprint in our parish - or protecting our local environment, such as flora, fauna, biodiversity etc. Or do you see these as equally important?
2.	What role would you like to see the Parish Council play in tackling climate change in our community?
3.	Which of the following are most important to you in terms of support from the Parish Council? Tick or colour the acorn to show your choices. You can choose more than one (continues on next page).
	Information on how to recycle a broader range of household waste $$
	Better access to public transport or car share schemes for shopping etc
	Local electric car charging points now or in the future
	Advice on household energy saving
	Advice on regional and national schemes for household energy saving \bigcirc (grants etc)

	Continued
	Better environmental protection for our outdoor spaces
	Re-wilding some of our outdoor spaces \bigcirc
	Linking up with other local initiatives you may be aware of $ \bigcirc \!\!\! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! \! $
	Introduction of local amenities that support re-cycling or other initiatives $$
	Information on buying goods more locally/sustainably (e.g. meat, veg etc)
4.	What else would you like to see the Parish Council supporting?
5.	Would you like to be involved personally in leading or supporting any projects or initiatives in our parish? If so, please leave an email contact and name below. The more local support and engagement - the more we can achieve!
	Yes 🛇
	No 🛇
	Thank you for taking part – we really look forward to hearing from you