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Reverend Jane reflects on the Art of Listening

My first encounter with the idea one could learn how to listen well, was a very long time ago but I remember aspects of that experience vividly. I was a secondary school English teacher in my late twenties and had come down to the Dartington Hall Estate for a short, residential teachers' course. What sticks in my mind, apart from the lovely food [!], was an exercise in good listening skills. This was prefaced by a comical activity in pairs in which we were encouraged to exercise as many bad listening skills as possible. As a closet actress, I enjoyed deploying a range of distracting mannerisms and emanating, 'Am I bothered?'

However, when the boot was on the other foot and it was time to swop roles, I found it hugely frustrating that my audience of one had absented herself. It was hard to plough on in the face of blatant discouragement. Bad listening takes the biscuit doesn't it? I like to think that through practice and life-experience I am a better listener that I was.

I wonder if you can remember the last time you felt someone had really listened to you...It's a gift...sometimes a relief...even a joy on occasion. Someone has weighed and even savoured and definitely reflected upon what you've said. When good listening is exercised clarification is possible; differing views can be aired; communication takes place; ground can shift; hope sprouts from it. We can move on.

During Lent, in the run up to Easter, some of us may have tried more intentionally to listen to God. There is an opportunity on the horizon to exercise those particular spiritual muscles again as the Church responds to the international 'Thy Kingdom Come' initiative. You might like to join the prayer initiative on the morning of Saturday 4th June along the South West Coast Path or think about which 5 people you might be called to pray for this year, by name, to come to faith in Jesus Christ.

Whatever the Summer months offer you this year, I hope you will feel you've been heard and like me, will want to give that gift of good listening to someone else. Here's to human flourishing -

Revd Jane.

Postscript - Many thanks for all those who contributed to making Lent & Easter Day such a time of gift in Ideford this year. Where would we be without Team work & fellow-travelling? Blessings as we all take the next step further into a Devon Spring,

Revd Jane

MAY SERVICES

Sunday May 1st 6.30pm	3rd Sunday of Easter Evensong	Ideford
Sunday May 8th 11.30am 6.30pm	4th Sunday of Easter Holy Communion & APCM Evensong & APCM	Ashcombe Luton
Wednesday May 11th 3.45pm - 5.15pm	Messy Church in Ideford Village Hall	
Sunday May 15th 11.00am	5th Sunday of Easter Holy Communion & APCM	Ideford
Sunday May 22nd 5pm	6th Sunday of Easter Bible Reading & Community Prayers	Ashcombe

The Annual Parochial Church Meetings will follow some services, as indicated.

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

www.haldonteam.org.uk

Although the wearing of face coverings in church is no longer mandatory, many people will choose to continue to wear them for their own safety and that of others. However, if you do choose not to wear a mask then please be sensitive to others and maintain social distancing.

Dates for your diary - regular events

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Ideford Parish Council Meeting, Thursday May 12th 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.

Monday May 9th 2022 Full Council Meeting

Monday May 23rd 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.

IDEFORD SHORT MAT BOWLS

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MOBILE LIBRARY AT THE POUND, IDEFORD

Wednesday May 4th 2.40pm - 3.10pm

GENERAL INFORMATION

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Items for inclusion in the June 2022 Newsletter

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Mugs will be given out during the bank holiday celebrations; if you are unable to attend, please advise when requesting your free mug and alternative arrangements can be made.

If you would like to receive a mug, please send your details: name, age and address by email to idefordclerk@hotmail.co.uk stating 'Free Mug' in the subject line, **or**

Fill in the tear off slip below and leave in the mailbox outside Stapley Cottage, Longthorn Road, Ideford.

All requests must be received by 5pm on Tuesday 17th May 2022.

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Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

I will be attending the bank holiday celebrations :

YES / NO (delete as appropriate)

Bramble Bashers Charity Clay Shoot at Ashcombe Village Club

www.ashcombe-villageclub.co.uk

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Messy Church

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Wednesday May 11th

3.45pm - 5.15pm

Ideford Village Hall



Please let Liz Rice know if you plan on coming, this will help us prepare
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IDEFORD VILLAGE FETE MEETING

Wednesday May 18th at 7.30pm

Ideford Village Hall

Ideford Village Fete is due to be held on September 10th, with all profits to be split between the Village Hall, Millennium Green and St. Mary's Church.

If you would be willing to help in any way, please come along to the meeting or contact Jane Hill or Rachel Blake (contact details on page 18)

Millennium Green AGM

Thursday the 19th May at 7pm

Millennium Green

All welcome!

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Open Meadows 2022

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The full programme will be posted on moormeadows.org.uk in a couple of weeks. But there's no need to travel beyond Ideford, because our meadow at The Mill is one of those that will be open.

You are invited to wander round on any day from 18 to 22 May, between 10 am and 5 pm. We will be on hand to explain what we are trying to achieve and to answer questions about wildflower meadows and gardens.

It's helpful if you contact us in advance (07792 533310 or email: grandvizier51@gmail.com), but if you are passing you can just pop in (end of Town Farm Lane, just before Muddy Bottom). If you come by car, park in the stable yard, or in the quarry just before our house.

We look forward to seeing you.

Robin and Veronica Aaronson



The Village Hall AGM

Thursday 26th May at 7pm

Everyone is welcome



Millennium Green Platinum Queen's Jubilee celebrations.....

Thursday 2nd June Volunteers needed to help erect marquees etc, followed by an informal evening with music, bar and food. No tickets needed.

Friday 3rd Family Lunch - see page 7.

Friday 3rd, evening Family Country dance - details on page 7. Access to the bar by ticket only.

Saturday 4th Help needed to put the marquees away.

Cont.

PLANNING

017.1 The following planning applications were discussed:

21/02920/FUL – The Sanctuary, Higher Colleybrook

Siting of a car port

Cllrs had no objections to this application provided that the car port was to be sited inside the curtilage – it was unclear from the plans submitted if this was the case.

22/00161/HOU – 5 Fore Street, Ideford

Kitchen extension to replace conservatory

All Cllrs were supportive of this application

22/00231/FUL – Agricultural Building, Bowden Lane, Ideford

Demolition of existing building and construction of house with associated landscaping

All Cllrs were supportive of this application

017.2 Planning Enforcement:

The owner of the mobile home at Higher Colleybrook confirmed that it would be removed.

018/22 CONCERNS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS TO COUNCILLORS

Clerk to find out if lampposts can be turned off for longer at night and also turned down.

019/22 CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE

019.1 The balance of accounts on 28th February 2022 was £12,895.02

The bank reconciliation for February 2022 was agreed by all and signed by the Clerk and the Chairman.

019.2 To request approval for BACS Payments

It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodward, seconded by Cllr H Bellamy, and agreed by all to approve the following payment.

£15.00	Ideford Village Hall	February Hire Charge
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The following payment, made since the last meeting, was noted:

£199.99	Mrs J Thompson	Projector
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009.4 To provide a legal and administrative update:

Legal Topic Note (LTN) 13 on policing your area has been updated with information on the use of vehicle activated speed signs and automatic number plate recognition.

Legal Topic Note (LTN) 28 on Basic Charity Law has been updated with guidance for council's who are sole charitable trustees.

The National Joint Council for Local Government Services has agreed the pay award for 2021/22 for 1.75%, backdated to 1st April 2021.

020/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING- Thursday 14th April 2022 7pm – Annual

Parish Meeting followed by Full Parish Council meeting.

The meeting ended at 8:43pm.

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Incident Category	Incidents	Incidents	Incidents % Difference
	01/02/2022 to 28/02/2022	01/02/2021 to 28/02/2021	
Crime not recorded	0	1	-100%
Public Safety	2	3	-33.3%
Transport	7	4	75%
Total	9	8	12.5%

The monthly newsletter is available to view on the parish council website.

016/22 PARISH MATTERS

016.1 The Notice of Community Governance Review was noted.

016.2 It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodward, seconded by Cllr D Fox and agreed by all to purchase Queen's Platinum Jubilee mugs for all the children in the parish; Cllr A Carter-Woodward and Cllr J Gardner will research options and bring back to the next meeting.

It was suggested that Cllr T Hill be the liaison between the M Green and the PC; as Cllr T Hill was not at the meeting this was deferred.

016.3 The PC supported the use of a resident's land for the planting of trees available under the Emergency Tree Fund Offer. The PC and Wildlife Wardens will investigate further and see if more land is available in the parish.

016.4 It was agreed to look again at the road warden scheme.

016.5 There was no update on any police action over vans parking at the junction of Church Road and Longthorn Street.

016.6 The Internal Policy Control Statement and External Risk Assessment were reviewed and agreed by all.

016.7 Cllr H Bellamy reported on the recent ceremony to unveil the new boundary stone, plaque and seat. The parish council still claim that the old stone is not the original but accept that this is not going to be resolved and will therefore not pursue it anymore.

016.8 Clerk to get quotes for providing a rural skip service.

016.9 Cllr J Gardner reported on the first Sustainable Ideford meeting, where key roles for the group and an action plan were discussed.

016.10 Slug pellet amnesty: Metaldehyde slug pellets are illegal to use after 31 March. The Wildlife Wardens are organising collection and disposal of stocks of old pellets held by residents. Suitable safety measures will be in place. Details will be provided in the Parish Magazine.

Stream water quality: The Wildlife Wardens will monitor water quality monthly in the stream at Muddy Bottom and possibly also on the Colley Brook. This is under a scheme run by West Country Rivers Trust.

Survey Village BATS: It was identified that residents have seen BATS around the village in the annual survey.

We are now planning to undertake further research to identify the BATS. If there are any residents who can help or advise, please get in contact.



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There will be tours of 2 orchards and cider samples.

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CREAM TEA supporting MARIE CURIE - Sunday June 12th

I will be holding a Cream Tea in my garden at Oak's Reach on Sunday
June 12th, from 2pm until 5pm, in aid of Marie Curie.

There will be lots of lovely cakes, cream scones and a grand draw. Also
the High C's Choir, that I belong to at Dawlish Warren, will be singing
some well known, lively songs.

A Marie Curie representative will be in attendance to tell us how the mon-
ey raised will be spent.

£5 entry

If anyone would like to donate a cake, it would be much appreciated!!
Any cake left will be sold at the end of the afternoon.

I do hope that many of you will be able to come and give your support to
such a worthwhile cause.

I really appreciate Maureen letting us use her field for parking. Directions
will be around the area nearer the time.

Kath Mortimore



Cont.

Planned roadworks in your area.

From 25th April to 29th April there will be carrying overnight resurfacing work
along Newton Road Bishopsteignton [near the junction with Cockhaven
Road] To enable the work to be carried out safely we will be closing the
road during our operations. This means that Newton Road will be closed
from 7pm until 6am for 4 nights from 7pm on the 25th April.

District Councillor Beryl Austen: read by the Chair

The Full Council meeting of the district was held on 22nd Feb. The meeting
commenced at 10am and concluded at 4.15pm with only a ten minute
comfort break and apart from a short break when the Chairman closed the
meeting to deal with unrelated interruptions no other breaks.

The agenda was fairly long but the matter given most attention was the
future High Street Fund for Newton Abbot Market. This was attended by
protest groups whose views were heard by the Council and caused
considerable disruption to the meeting. The essence of the objections was
regarding the Alexander Theatre which was to be replaced by a cinema but
which they wished to be retained as a cultural and arts facility. The Council
was there to endorse the plan and accept a grant of £9.2 million to
complete the scheme. The plan was passed by a majority vote.

The meeting endorsed the new policy of the Dog PSPO Review to make it
necessary to keep dogs on a one metre lead in public areas. The
recommendations with regard to cycling and by-laws was also endorsed.

Most importantly the Council dealt with the Budget and Council Tax for
22/23. Councillors Community Fund will close applications on the 13 March
when any funds not donated will not be carried forward to the next year.
The new year starts on the 5th April when the available grant will be £1200
for every councillor.

The decarbonisation programme continues on Forde House though Midas
are not involved due to their being in administration.

Due to a backlog of planning applications the team is having a five day
focus and during this period they will concentrate on applications received
in recent weeks which have not been dealt with. Residents will still have
access to the Planning portal website for information.

The Boundary Commission is looking to balance the number of electors in
each constituency due to the variance created by the building of houses in
most areas and will increase the number of these to 543. Since Teign
bridge has met and continues to meet its obligations it will no doubt have
alterations.

**PC Clarke Orchard – Neighbourhood Beat Manager and PCSO Saul
Bunce:** read by the Clerk.

Monthly crime report/figures for the month of February 2022.

Crimes Recorded – 01/02/2022 to 28/02/2022

Offence	Recorded Crime 01/02/2022 to 28/02/2022	Recorded Crime 01/02/2021 to 28/02/2021	Recorded Crime % Difference
All other theft offences	0	1	-100%
Total	0	1	-100%

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Ideford Parish Council Meeting held in the village hall
on 10th March 2022 at 7pm

Present: Cllr David Fox - Chair Cllr J Gardner
Cllr A Carter-Woodward Cllr T Hill
Cllr H Bellamy

In Attendance: Cllr R Peart Mrs J Thompson - Clerk
Ten members of the public

Item Discussion and Decisions

011/22 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7 pm.
Apologies were received from Cllr T Hill, Cllr B Austen, Cllr M Coombes,
PC C Orchard and PCSO S Bunce.

012/22 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodward, seconded by Cllr J Gardner
and agreed by all who were present at the meeting, to accept the minutes
of the meeting of Thursday 10th February 2022 as a true and accurate
record.

013/22 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

014/22 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The resident of Higher Colleybrook told Cllrs about the correct storage that
was needed for their solar batteries (planning application 21/02926/FUL).
The Village Hall and Millennium Green are planning to discuss events to
celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.

015/22 REPORTS

County Councillor Ron Peart:

This is the latest report regarding the new Cycle bridge at Teigngrace
Kingsteignton. The bridge at present is not owned by Devon County Council
nor has it been adopted into DCC structures assets. The bridge is still
owned by Sibelco under the management of their Contractors Bridge
engineering and their design engineers and they are responsible for its
construction which is yet to be achieved. The bridge at present has some
deficiencies which when completed would prevent the authority adopting it
into its assets mainly with river protection works and suitable pedestrian
rated handrail at the top of the supports to provide adequate restraint and
protection for the bridge users. I understand remedials and additions are
being explored by the contractors' engineers. This process assures that the
new bridge poses no risk to the existing highway network both during
construction and when in service, its design integrity also assures the safety
of users of the bridge when in use. For the future upkeep of the bridge,
when a structure is adopted into the County's bridge stock a sum is
calculated by the authority to be provided by the developer for its future
maintenance. This then assures that when we adopt any structure we are
not taking on the financial liability for its upkeep and reconstruction.



The Ideford Country Show
13th & 14th August 2022.



After the great success of the Flower show last year (2021) in the
Village hall, here in Ideford, the Trustees have organised another
show for 2022, renaming it '**The Ideford Country Show**' which will
be held just a little earlier on August the 13th & 14th this year.

Once again we have many categories for both adults and children to
enter :

Flowers, Vegetables, Fruit, Jams, Cakes, Chutneys, Photography,
Handicrafts, Hobbies, and much more besides.

1st, 2nd & 3rd - Cash Prizes

Also this year we are going to include a **Grand Scarecrow**
Competition, throughout the village, so get your thinking caps on and
start designing your Scarecrow.

The competition rules & regulations with entry forms will be
available from the 1st June from the entrance porch of the village
hall or email jhicks1001@aol.com if you'd like them to be emailed to
you.

We look forward to welcoming you all again this year.



Village Hall Dates for diaries:

Thursday 26th May at 7pm - Village Hall AGM - everyone is welcome

Fri 3rd June Queens Jubilee Country Dance 6pm - 9pm. Joint event with the
Millennium Green. See poster on page 7 for further info.

Sat & Sun 13th/14th August Ideford Country Show - see above.

Sat 24th September Autumn Quiz.

Sat 3rd December Christmas market 11am - 5pm. Joint event with St Mary's
Church.

Thurs 8th & Fri 9th December Christmas wreath making .

Thank you. Rachel, Chair of Ideford Hall.



Do you shop online for clothes, food, presents?

Do you book holidays, flights or accommodation online?

Do you book tickets for train/coach journeys, shows/gigs or sporting events online?

Would you like to raise money for St. Mary's just by shopping online?

If the answer to any of these questions is YES - then please start using **Easyfundraising!** Easyfundraising turns your everyday online shopping into free donations for our village church. There's no catch and your info isn't passed on anywhere else. The bigger the purchase, like a holiday or a large household item, the more money is donated.

Just download the app onto your phone, tablet or laptop. Register that you want to raise money for 'Ideford Church'. Then, just start your online shopping first at easyfundraising, then shop as normal. The retailers will then make a small donation to say "thank you".

There are thousands of retailers to choose from (including Marks & Spencer, Argos and Tesco) and so far over £35 million has been raised for thousands of community groups, schools, sports clubs, small and large charities across the UK. Easy!

Please start using **Easyfundraising** when buying stuff online.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/idefordchurch/>

Good News! St. Mary's Church in Ideford is once again open daily.

After restricted opening over the past 2 years, due to covid, it is wonderful to hear that the church can now return to being open every day.

During the two years, some people's circumstances have changed and there are a couple of spaces on the church key rota. If you would be prepared to lock and unlock the church for a month, please get in touch - 01626 852259 or e-mail: j23aylmore@gmail.com. The times are fairly flexible to fit in with other commitments, but ideally the church should be unlocked by 10am and locked (with a visual check made to ensure you don't lock anyone in!) at around dusk.

If a month seems too much of a commitment, why not chat to a friend or neighbour and arrange to share a month.

I look forward to hearing from you -

Janet Aylmore

Scouting Is Back In Chudleigh

The doors of 1st Chudleigh Scout Hut have opened once again.

They welcomed young people age 6-14 to become part of the worldwide family of scouting at their open event on the 5th April.

More than 80 young people and their adults joined the newly formed leadership team of Chudleigh Scouts for an evening of activities. Bases on offer included constructing the tallest tower out of plastic cups, creating a compass with just a needle, magnet and water, learning to fingerspell your name in sign language, parachute games and painting Easter chicks.

Accompanying the young people home were the firm favourite activity of weather worms - see below for how to make your own.

Taster sessions for all Scout sections will be taking place after Easter for four weeks. After which, if there are enough adult volunteers and young people's interest, the group will be made official. The sessions start from Tuesday 26th April:

Tuesdays	Scouts (age 10 ½ - 14)	7 - 9pm
Wednesdays	Beavers (age 6-8)	6-7pm
Thursdays	Cubs (age 8-10 ½)	6.30 - 8pm

Scouts' groups usually close due to a lack of adult volunteers. Therefore, it is important to support your local group where you can to stop this from happening. This is not just as a leader, there are behind the scenes roles too such as supporting fundraising, tea-making and administration. Whether it's supporting every week or just on occasion, 1st Chudleigh would love you to join them.

If you would like to volunteer or register your young person as interested in becoming part of Chudleigh Scouts, please email

jack.saunders@scouts.org.uk.

Chudleigh Scout hut is located at 1st Chudleigh Scout HQ, Fore St., Chudleigh, TQ13 0HX. You can also follow the group on Facebook @1stChudleighScouts.

To learn how to make your own weather worm with your young person visit <https://www.freekidscrafts.com/silly-weather-forecaster/>

Changes in bin collection days due to May Day Bank Holiday

Normal Day	Revised Day
Wednesday May 4th	Thursday May 5th (recycling & black bin)
Friday May 6th	Saturday May 7th (recycling & black bin)