

CHIDEOCK NEWS

(including Seatown & North Chideock)

AUGUST 2024

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SERVICES AT ST. GILES

4 th August	10th Sunday after Trinity	11am Village Service +coffee
11 th August	11th Sunday after Trinity	11am Holy Communion
18 th August	12th Sunday after Trinity	11am Chideock Praise
25 th August	13th Sunday after Trinity	11am Holy Communion
1 st September	14th Sunday after Trinity	11am Village Service +coffee

CHURCH OF OUR LADY, QUEEN OF MARTYRS & ST. IGNATIUS

Friday 2nd.	10am Mass
Sunday 4th.	8.30am Mass
Friday 9th.	10am Mass
Sunday 11th.	8.30am Mass
Friday 16th.	10am Mass
Sunday 18th.	8.30am Mass
Friday 23rd.	10am Mass
Sunday 25th.	8.30am Mass
Friday 30th.	10am Mass

The Church and museum are now open every day 10am - 4pm

DEADLINE DATE :

Items for inclusion in the SEPTEMBER 2024 magazine to: Ms. Ruth Wrixton, Sweet Briar, West Road, Bridport, DT6 6AE. Tel: 01308 422649 or mobile 07811672058 or e-mail me: ruthwrixton@hotmail.com (I will always acknowledge I have received them – so that you know I have!) LATEST acceptance date will be Friday 16th August 2024.

CHIDEOCK VILLAGE HALL

Chairman: Richard Benjamin (489298); Secretary: Paul Ramsden (480941)

Treasurer & Table Tennis contact: Roger Carey (489782)

For bookings contact Paul Ramsden **07749 715091**

or email chideockvh@gmail.com or via our Facebook page @ChideockVH

If you wish to cancel a booking please notify us as soon as possible

For general information about the hall:

<https://www.chideockandseatown.co.uk/groups/chideock-village-hall/>

For the current availability either contact Paul Ramsden or go to:

<https://www.chideockandseatown.co.uk/groups/chideock-village-hall/>
and click on 'Check availability'

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE OF 26 OCTOBER 2024...

The Chideock and Symondsburry fundraising committee for Weldmar Hospicecare will be holding their first post covid event at the Chideock village hall.

Full details will appear at a later date.

CHIDEOCK SOCIETY NEWS

The long delayed Chideock History website is now up and running! www.Chideockhistory.org.uk Whilst we still have lots more material from The Chideock Society archive to add to the website, more photographs, memories, etc., we have at last made a good start. We are also grateful to Antony Broad and Neil Mattingly for allowing us to share the link to their website which shows beautiful photographs and maps of Chideock and Seatown. Please look at the new website and if anyone has any photographs or memorabilia they would like added then please contact Lyn Crisp on lyncrisp@chideockandseatown.co.uk or tel: 01297 489098.

CHIDEOCK PRAYER NET

Lockdown seems a thing of the past, even though Covid hasn't gone away, and we now have other problems to take its place. Members of St Giles have always prayed for our village and neighbours, so if you would like prayer for a concern you have, or to share thanks for something (because good things still happen!), please send an email to chideockprayer.net@gmail.com. Your request will be sent on to individual members of St Giles; it will be kept confidential, and can be anonymous if you wish - even those receiving the request won't know who else is getting it.

Thank you. Peter Stapleton, St Giles PCC

Calling all book lovers!

A popular home library service, run by Royal Voluntary Service, the national volunteering organisation, is looking to grow its service for housebound readers in the Chideock locality **We have two dedicated volunteers for Chideock, Morcombelake and Charmouth areas** The Home Library Service brings books to people who can no longer get to a library. Volunteers deliver books and share their love of reading with the people they visit. They are a friendly face and a regular visitor to those whose mobility and social interactions are limited, and they provide a useful check on the safety and well-being of their readers, too. The Home Library Service is delivered free of charge; it is not only for older people, but for anybody who finds getting to the library difficult, including carers. To find out please contact the Royal Voluntary Service office on 01305 236666, or e-mail maria.jacobson@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk. Or staff at your local library.





CHIDEOCK



A SUMMER FETE

SAT 17 AUG

2pm - 5pm **Clapps Mead Playing Field, Mill Lane.**

We are pleased to announce The Children's Entertainer **PROFESSOR BUMBLE** will be attending at 3-15pm with a 50 minute show of clowning, magic, juggling, slapstick comedy & unicycling with lots of audience participation

Bumper Raffle, Tombolas, BBQ with locally sourced Burgers & Hot Dogs, Refreshments, Tea or Coffee and Cake, Arts and Crafts. Long Alley



Skittles, Toys, books and many other stalls.

No parking on the field but you can park in the chideock car park nearby (by the post office/shop). Please bring your own chairs or rugs!
NO TOILETS ON SITE. (nearest at Seatown)

Hosted by Chideock Parish Council with donations to the Community Fund and all profits to The Friends of Clapps Mead. (RAISING MONIES FOR NEW EQUIPMENT FOR THE PLAY AREA.)

For more information please contact Anna Dunn on annachideockhouse@yahoo.co.uk or Lyn Crisp on lyncrisp@chideockandseatown.co.uk

Willow Deer Workshop with Jo Sadler

Hosted by The Clapps Mead Fundraising Committee



Taught by local willow artist Jo Sadler, this fun and creative course will guide you through the process of how to sculpt a deer out of willow.

Using locally sourced willow from Somerset, you will learn the fundamentals of willow weaving, taking home your own beautifully handcrafted 4ft willow deer at the end of the day. This course is suitable for beginners and all materials are provided, but we recommend wearing old and comfortable clothing as this course is very hands-on.

**Wednesday 4th September 9-30 to 4-30pm at
Chideock House, Main Street Chideock
(courtesy of Anna Dunn)**

Price: £120 to include 'soup and a sandwich' lunch with a slice of cake!

**To Book a place as numbers are limited please contact
Anna at**

annachideockhouse@yahoo.co.uk Tel: 01297 489242

PLEA FOR HEATING 2024

Dear Chideock Villagers

As you know, we have a beautiful Grade 1 Listed church in our village. The history of the church goes back for many years.

However, things wear out and the heating has come to the end of its life.

The Parochial Church Council has decided to update the heating using a system that will be cost effective to run, and will both protect the fabric of the church for future generations, and keep the people warm.

We are aware of the environmental costs of fossil fuels, and want to make our contribution to reduce global warming. To this end, after having considered a number of options, the PCC has decided upon an electric heating system. We have already discontinued our gas supply and switched to Britain's biggest supplier of zero-carbon electricity.

However, new heating comes at a cost. We estimate that removing the old system and installing the new will cost approximately £40,000, and we shall be holding a variety of fundraising events, and, of course, applying for grants.

Naturally, we still have to pay for the normal running of the church which comes to over £20,000 per annum. This is funded by the giving of our congregation and fundraising events. We are also supported by The Friends Of St Giles. So we need the support of the village.

Please consider giving a contribution by :

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Opening a standing order
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PCC of Chideock. Bank TSB Sort Code 30 91 21 Acc No 001676303) By cheque made out to PCC of Chideock and sent to
Mrs V Hunt, Longwood, Chideock Hill, Chideock, Bridport, DT6 6JW |
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Please ask any of the PCC (list in porch of church) if you would like a Gift Aid form so we can claim back the tax.

The Parochial Church Council of St Giles thank you in anticipation of your generosity.

WHIST DRIVES

As you are aware our whist evenings now break for the Summer and resume in September with dates as follows--

25th September 30th October 27th November 11th December

If the evenings continue to be successful, then I will let you have dates from January through to May 2025 later in the year.

Book in Hand Group

Our group really enjoyed a suspense murder mystery - "Murder by the book" by Duncan Greenwood and Robert King. A twisty macabre thriller that had the cast asking- "What next?" To be continued – as we ran out of time!! Come along and join in next month on July 10th, 7pm. Are you a sleuth, or a murderer? Can you really trust your wife? Is there more to your neighbour than meets the eye....? Call Bridget 07879272994 for more details.

CHIDEOCK CHATTER'S **BOOK CLUB**

**AT THE GEORGE INN ON THE 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH
MONTH
7PM START**



For more information contact: Jane on 01297 489996 or just come along and join in.

100 Club Winners for 1st July

1st Prize. No 155. Chris Dean

2nd Prize. No 77. Keith Payne

3rd Prize. No. 131. Julia Greenshield's

Congratulations to you all

BLINK (Bridport to Lyme Link) News

Many of you will already know but we are deeply saddened to report the death of Winston Maskell (Meash) who has been the prime mover in attempting to establish a safe cycle and walking path through Chideock, linking Bridport and (eventually) Lyme Regis. It is due to his efforts and the generosity of Mr. & Mrs. Coates that a bridleway has been established along the North of the A35 to the East of the village from the entrance to Park Farm to Quarry Cross (Furches Hill) which is the most dangerous section of the route.

Those of us who have been working alongside Meash; Deirdre Coates, Will Grafton and myself (Cliff Allen), are determined that his vision for the path will be realised.

Unfortunately, work to fence and surface the path has had to stop temporarily because of a gas main running along its course. The Senior Ranger for Dorset Council (the officer responsible for public rights of way) is currently engaged in preparing the paperwork and arranging for a meeting with the company responsible for the gas pipeline (SGN) to assure them that the work can be done safely. At the time of writing exploratory excavations and a site meeting are due to take place in mid-August. We are optimistic that work will recommence in the Autumn.

We are continuing to explore how to complete the safe route to the pre-existing pavement at the former London Inn or West Road, Bridport and will report again with progress.

Finally, if you would like to receive more information please contact us on 01297 489520. We would particularly like to hear from anyone who has land management or PR expertise and is willing to offer support.

Thank you.



Chideock Village Hall lean-to roof replacement

We are delighted to announce that the Village Hall has received a National Lottery award from The National Lottery Community Fund for replacement of the lean-to roof at the western end of the building. The present roofing material contains some asbestos and the grant will be used to ensure this will be safely removed and a new roof installed. This will not only eliminate a future health and safety risk, but will be a further improvement to the fabric of the building. Many thanks to #NationalLottery players for making our project possible.

A CHIDEOCK CHATTERS EVENT

Ladies of Chideock, Come and Join Us on
Tuesday 13th August to

"WALK FOR WELDMAR"

Walk the "Green Route", a circular walk linking the
green open spaces around Bridport.

Length: 3 miles



Starting on the bus from
Chideock to Bridport, and
finishing at the Mercato
Café, Bridport, for a well-
earned lunch.

Meeting at the Bus Stop by
Chideock Bridge, at
9.50am. The donation to
join us is £5

Walk for Weldmar and help our "Chatter", Pauline, to raise money.
Pauline is heading to Madagascar, in November, for a 12 day
challenge. Pauline will embark on a 5 day hike and help at a
community project. Pauline is hoping to raise as much money as she
can, to support Weldmar



For more information call Jane on 07759 274 905 or email
jane@warren-house.com

Chideock Community Café

Held in Chideock Village Hall



Friday 16th August

From 2.30pm until 4.30pm

**Come along with friends or to meet some
new ones
Everyone is welcome**



**Tea/Coffee & Cakes/Biscuits available.
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Chideock Parish Council News.

E-mail: chideock@dorset-aptc.gov.uk

Website: www.chideockpc.org.uk

Address: 60 North Allington, Bridport

Phone: 01308 426327

Facebook Group: Chideock Parish Council

The Clerk will seek to acknowledge receipt of an email within one working day and respond within five working days.

The Council continues to lobby various individuals, organisations, and bodies regarding the A35 issues experienced by the village.

Parish Council Meetings are in-person at the Village Hall at 10 am on the last Tuesday of each month except August and December. The next Parish Council meetings are 30 July and 24 September. There is no meeting in August.

Update from the Air Quality Working Group.

Following the public meeting with Bristol University in May, the next steps have taken place with the University to plan where to distribute the small NO2 monitors around the village. These monitors are small and powered by batteries. The devices will be placed across all areas in Chideock and Seatown and be in place for a period of three months from the last week in July until October. It is envisaged that this period should provide sufficient data to establish both the density and the distribution of NO2 throughout the village due to air pollution from the A35. Alongside of this, larger monitors will be located in the identified sites (these sites have yet to be finalised) across the village in regard to particulate matter (arising from tyres, brakes, etc), and these will be in place for approximately 12 months, this will enable Bristol and the Parish Council to have a complete factual overview of the impact of air pollution due to the A35. Chideock Parish Council has written to the new

leader of Dorset Council to share the update on the project and requested further meetings with the Environment team.

Chideock Parish Council still needs.....

2 Volunteers for Co-option.

Aidin Biggins came forward and was co-opted at the June meeting. The Parish Council welcomes him as a councillor.

There are still 2 vacancies on the council.

Please contact the Clerk by 17 September if you would like to be considered for co-option, giving a summary of who you are, where you live, and why you wish to be a councillor.

Reporting Issues to the Relevant Body.

- Environmental issues – ring the Environment Agency - 0800 80 70 60 – they will ask for a nearby postcode.
- Reporting Rights of Way Issues – <https://gi.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/rightsofway/reportproblem>
- Reporting Highway Issues (except for the A35)incl blocked drains -
- <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highways-maintenance/report-a-problem-on-the-road-or-pavement> - this excludes street lighting. **In an emergency ring 01305 221020 (24 hours). If there is immediate risk to safety, dial 999.**
- Reporting Highway Issues - A35.
- **In non-urgent situations only**, report these to the Clerk or a councillor – this includes street lighting and **blocked drains. In an emergency ring 0300 123 5000 (24 hours). If there is immediate risk to safety, dial 999.**
- Reporting Street Light Issues, apart from on the A35 -
- <http://www.lightsonindorset.co.uk/public/ReportFault.aspx>;
- Dorset Council Floodline - 0345 988 1188
- Reporting Flooding of Property or Road -
- <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/emergencies-severe-weather/flooding/report-flooding>

If you do not have internet access, please contact the Clerk or a councillor, with as much information as possible.

Traffic incidents on the A35.

The Parish Council has added a page on its website for residents to report traffic incidents that occur on the A35, <http://www.chideockpc.org.uk/community/chideock-parish-council-14830/report-traffic-incident/>. You are not required to provide contact details when making a report, though this may be helpful if further details are required.

Vegetation Overhanging Footways and Watercourses.

Please ensure that vegetation trimmings are not left on a footway or carriageway of any kind nor allowed to fall into a watercourse.

A reminder that it is the responsibility of the owner or occupier of land or property to ensure that: -

- a) vegetation growing on their land does not impede pedestrians using a footway of any kind.
- b) vegetation growing on their land does not restrict visibility for pedestrians and drivers.
- c) vegetation growing on their land does not overhang the carriageway where there is no footway.
- d) vegetation or other material from their land does not in any way impede the flow of water, which includes anything overhanging the watercourse which could, in severe weather, trap material being carried downstream..

CITIZEN'S ADVICE

Used cars top complaints list

Citizens Advice has revealed that last year its Consumer Service received a complaint about a used car every three minutes.

The charity, which helped with almost 43,000 complaints relating to used cars in 2023 alone, found most of these complaints were about defective cars, around 1 in 10 being about car safety. The most common issues included faulty cars, damage people were not told about, and cars having a higher mileage than shown.

Consumers are often left out of pocket when purchasing a used car. But unexpected car problems can cost more than just money, they can leave people missing work or unable to drop their children off at school. Buying a used car can be complex and that means consumers can be left confused and without the knowledge and information needed to make well-informed buying decisions.

People may be rightfully wary of the 'Del Boy' type car traders, but there is just as much harm and bad practice lurking behind used car adverts on online platforms, such as Facebook. Car clocking is still an ongoing issue where a car's mileage is adjusted and not declared at the time of sale, that's a Trading Standards' offence.

For peace of mind its recommended that people buy a used car from a garage that is a member of the Consumer Codes Approval Scheme (CCAS). These garages follow a robust code of practice. If a problem does arise, all garages in the CCAS family offer free Alternative Dispute Resolution to help resolve the issue quickly and effectively.

Alternatively, why not look for a Buy With Confidence Trading Standards Approved car trader at www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk or phone 0808 2231133.

For advice about something you've bought, or to report something to Trading Standards, visit the Citizens Advice consumer helpline at www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer or phone 0808 2231133.

“Afternoon Delights”

Saturday 10 August, 3–5 pm

Chideock Village Hall



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Chideock Village Trust

Charity No. 1084576

The Chideock Village Trust has been in existence for over 20 years and its objects are:

- To preserve for the benefit of the Chideock community whatever is of artistic, architectural, historical or constructional beauty or interest.
- To promote the study and general knowledge of all artistic and scientific subjects with the object of advancing the education of the Chideock community.



The Trustees would welcome applications for grants from students planning to advance their education, especially by way of unfunded expeditions either in this country or overseas, and from groups seeking to enhance village amenities.

Applications, which should be from residents of Chideock Parish for a prospective (not retrospective) project, should be made in writing to the Secretary of the Trustees, Mrs Lisa Tuck, Broadlands, Chideock, DT6 6HX or by email to tuckfamily@btinternet.com.



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