

# CHIDEOCK NEWS

(including Seatown & North Chideock)

MARCH 2026

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## **SERVICES AT ST. GILES**

Sunday 1st February 11 am Chideock Praise  
Sunday 8th February 11am Holy Communion  
Sunday 15th February 11am Village Service  
Sunday 22nd February 11am Holy Communion

The church will be closed during the week except for events and services during February.

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

Friday 6th. 10am Mass  
Friday 13th. 10am Mass  
Saturday 14th. 6pm Vigil Mass  
Friday 20th. 10am Mass  
Friday 27th. 10am Mass  
Saturday 28th. 6pm Vigil Mass

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

## **DEADLINE DATE :**

Items for inclusion in the APRIL 2026 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](mailto:ruthwrixton@hotmail.com) (I will always acknowledge I have received them – so that you know I have!) LATEST acceptance date will be Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

*(Opinions expressed in the magazine are not necessarily those of the Editor. The Editor reserves the right to edit material submitted for publication and all published letters and articles must be attributed unless agreed with the Editor)*

## **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](mailto: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/>

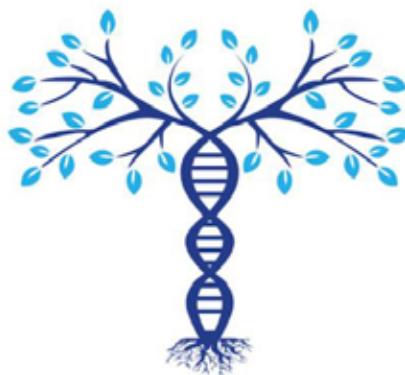
For the current availability either contact Paul Ramsden or go to:

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

# "Who Do You Think You Are?"

A family mystery:  
unlocking the truth using DNA

Lee Ramsden



Chideock Village Hall Event  
Saturday 14th March 6.30 for 7.15pm start

Tickets £10pp includes supper  
Various fresh pizzas and toppings  
with mixed salad leaves

Bar serving wine, beer, cider and soft drinks, card or  
cash accepted

To reserve your tickets call 07484 709719 or  
email [suzytypea@btinternet.com](mailto:suzytypea@btinternet.com)

# THE CHIDEOCK CHATTERS BOOK CLUB

AT THE CLOCK ON THE 2<sup>nd</sup>  
WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH  
7PM START



For more information contact: Jane on 01297  
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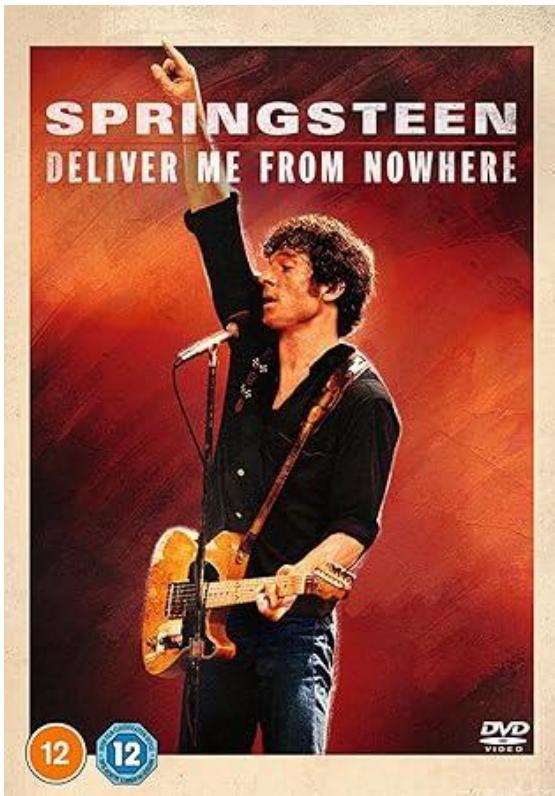
## Help for Book Readers Accessing Lyme Library



*Dorset's Home Library Service (HLS), run by the Royal Voluntary Service (RVS) across Dorset is looking to grow its **free service for people who can't get to the library due to health or mobility issues in the Lyme Regis area**. The Home Library Service brings books to people who can no longer get to the library for free on a monthly basis and operates from Lyme Library, through a team of RVS volunteers living in the area. The volunteers choose and/or deliver books, after an initial assessment visit to establish the readers' needs and preferences. They share their love of reading with the people they visit and are a friendly face, regularly visiting 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 just for older people, but for anybody who finds getting to the library difficult, including carers, on a long- or short-term basis. To find out more or to request the service, please contact the Library switchboard on 01297-443151, email Ian on [ian.rumble@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk](mailto:ian.rumble@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk) or call him on 07779-919678.

**CHIDEOCK HALL FILM NIGHT**  
**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
**7.00pm for 7.30pm**



"Deliver Me from Nowhere" chronicles the making of Bruce Springsteen's 1982 "Nebraska" album. Recorded on a 4-track recorder in Springsteen's New Jersey bedroom, the album marked a pivotal time in his life and is considered one of his most enduring works - a raw, haunted acoustic record populated by lost souls searching for a reason to believe.

£5.00 Entry – cash or card payments accepted which includes free tea/coffee & popcorn  
wine by glass or bottle, beer, cider & choc ices on sale during interval.

# Would you like library books delivered to you?



every

If you [ and /or a carer] find it difficult to get to our local libraries then we can deliver books or audio books to you three weeks, chosen especially for you. Just contact Maria.

**Service Manager Dorset, BCP and Bristol Home Library Service  
ROYAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE**

**The Old School House, 49 High West Street, Dorchester, Dorset, DT1 1UT  
Office: 01305 236666, Mobile: 07786 635154**

**Email: [maria.jacobson@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk](mailto:maria.jacobson@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk)**

This is a free service organised by the RVS. Chideock already has a local volunteer delivering to people in the area, do give Maria a call and join us.



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## 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 [chideockprayernet@gmail.com](mailto:chideockprayernet@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  
Chideock Village Hall Event*

## CHIDEOCK SOCIETY NEWS

The Chideock History website is up and running!

[www.Chideockhistory.org.uk](http://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 website and if anyone has any photographs or memorabilia they would like added then please contact Lyn Crisp tel: 01297 489098 or [lynncrisp@chideockandseatown.co.uk](mailto:lynncrisp@chideockandseatown.co.uk) .

# Saturday Coffee Morning



Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 10am - 12 noon  
Chideock Village Hall

toast & marmalade available  
and other treats on offer

Come along on your own to catch up with other villagers or join in with friends, it's all free and a warm welcome will be extended to everyone

Bring your children as well as there will be toys  
and  
colouring books for them

## **Chideock Defibrillators – Dial 999 first**

These can be found near the Spar Shop in Main Street, Golden Cap Holiday Park – Alberlon, Golden Cap Holiday Park - Shop and The Anchor at Seatown.



## **CHIDEOCK WI WEEDS AS ALLIES**



**Medical Herbalist Alice Temple will help us to learn to know and love the wild plants around us**

**Tuesday 3rd March 2026 at 2.30pm in the Village Hall**

**New members always welcome**

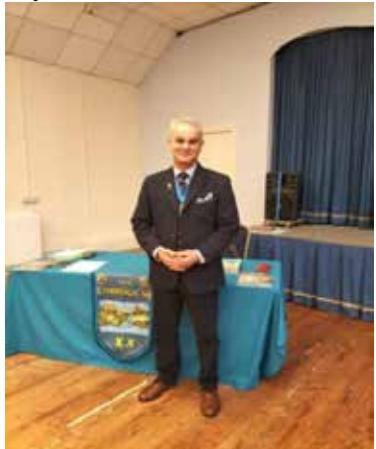
**chideockwi.org.uk chideockwi@gmail.com**

## Chideock W.I.

### February Meeting

What a treat! We had such an interesting talk from Callum Bremner,

High Sheriff of Dorset and Justice of the Peace. Callum informed us that Dorset has had a High Sheriff for over a thousand years. The role now is, thankfully, less risky than in previous centuries when High Sheriffs were sometimes murdered because of their responsibility for tax collection! They also had to pay for an army and keep law and order. These days the focus is much more on support of community projects.



Callum went on to speak about his position as a Magistrate, serving in Criminal and Family Courts. He explained how modern Family Courts have a focus on the welfare of children in particular and how a new Pathfinder System supports the Family Court in trying to resolve problems before they reach Court.

Cases which reach Crown Court, (usually the most serious offences, with a jury) go through a Magistrate's Court first. This is partly to make bail arrangements if necessary or incarceration if required.

Although Magistrates decide whether to refer a case to Crown Court a defendant can request this, a possible incentive being that the waiting list for Crown Court can be three years and a case may fail if witnesses drop out etc. Callum explained that recent proposals to have a hearing with a Judge and two Magistrates (without a jury) could help reduce the delay for Crown Court hearings. Although Magistrates' sentencing powers are more limited, they can find a case guilty and refer to a Judge to impose a higher sentence. They can also make referrals for community service of various kinds and can be approached for ideas relating to this. If found guilty the maximum fine that can be imposed is 'unlimited' because it is based on that individual's income. The money goes to the Treasury. Magistrates can also give a suspended sentence. Being drunk and disorderly is a fairly common misdemeanour but the most common is speeding. As this is so common it is not a criminal offence and is punished with a fine and points on the driving licence.

Three Magistrates sit at Criminal or Family Court, each for a minimum of twenty six half days per year. They are expected to be ordinary lay people but have some training in procedural law and consideration of evidence. They are

expected to use 'common sense' but have a legal advisor to offer guidance on legal precedents. Having understanding and empathy for the ordinary person is important and Callum emphasised that each case has its own individual story and context. Although there are roughly equal numbers of male and female Magistrates in Dorset, Callum estimated that at least eighty per cent of the defendants are male.

JD-S

The next Chideock WI Meeting will be on Tuesday 3rd March, 2.30pm at Chideock Village Hall when Alice Temple, Medical Herbalist will be speaking about:

'Weeds as allies: learning to know and love the wild plants around us'.

Womenfolk, please come along if you're interested. You don't have to be a WI member or live in Chideock and you will still get a warm welcome.

## **Two talks to be delivered by the Charmouth & Chideock Local History Society ...**

### **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

6.30pm to 9.00pm

Chideock Village Hall

Once upon a time in West Dorset. The evolution of Charmouth and Chideock, contrasting fortunes.

Speaker: Stan Dolan - Charmouth & Chideock Local History Society  
?3 entry for non-members [credit card reader available on the door]

Refreshments will be served

Any queries to [alison@cottagesdorset.co.uk](mailto:alison@cottagesdorset.co.uk) 07786980008

### **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May**

6.30pm to 9.00pm

Chideock Village Hall

The Dawn to Destruction of Chideock Castle.

Speaker: Alison Ward - Charmouth & Chideock Local History Society  
?3 entry for non-members [credit card reader available on the door]

Refreshments will be served

Any queries to [alison@cottagesdorset.co.uk](mailto:alison@cottagesdorset.co.uk) 07786980008

# **Chideock Parish Council**



Chideock Parish Council

**Parish Council Clerk -**

**(chideockparishcouncil@gmail.com)**

**Parish Council Chair -Vanesse McAra, 6 Winniford Close, Chideock**

**Email - chideockparishcouncil@gmail.com**

**Website www.chideockparishcouncil.com**

**Facebook Group: Chideock Parish Council**

The Clerk will seek to acknowledge receipt of an email 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 7pm on the last Tuesday of the month.

## **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES FOR 2026**

31<sup>st</sup> March 2026.

28<sup>th</sup> April 2026 - Annual Parish Meeting followed by the Parish Council meeting.

26<sup>th</sup> May 2026 - Annual Meeting of Chideock Parish Council.

The Precept is the part of your Council Tax that is given to the Parish Council to ensure the Council has the funds to finance infrastructure in the village, i.e. The maintenance of Clapps Mead Play Area, The Village Car Park, The War Memorial and to employ a Clerk to oversee lawful transactions and behaviour of the Council. This new parish council seek to curb what they consider to have been over expenditure and submitted to Dorset council the budget for 2026-7, on the 27th January 2026. This year this means that there will be a decrease in the budget compared to the budget for 2025-26, with a reduction in the parish council precept of £4,300 per year. The 2025/26 Precept was set at £25,300 as against the Precept for 2026/2027 being set at £21,000.

\* Floods/Dorset Council and recent storms. The parish council have recently met with Dorset Council and some landowners, to consider what can be achieved regarding the flooding on Seahill Lane / Pettycrate Lane, and Mill Lane. Clearly, due to the village being located in a valley, the run-off from fields, and collapsed ditches has led to streams and brooks scouring the roads and fields. Three storms in quick succession alongside above average rainfall has not helped the situation. The parish council have put onto our website important links to both Dorset Council and the Environment Agency regarding who to contact in an emergency.

\*The Parish council are considering setting up a flood group, to begin to consider exploring the origins of all of the watercourses and whether any significant changes have occurred, which could have impacted on the flow of water. Watch this space!

\*Overgrown hedges on Main Road - can everyone who lives along the main road, please ensure that hedges do not hang over the pavement. All hedges must be cut back so they are flush with the edge of the pavement. This will assist members of the public to walk safely.

\*National Highways and changes to the A35 in Chideock - all roadworks and the new A35 Strategy will be put onto the website. However, if you have an issue to raise then you can use the link on the website to raise the matter with National Highways, for example blocked drains/ rattling road crates, etc. The Parish Council will raise issues if we are notified.

\*The Beach at Seatown - this beach is a privately owned beach but has been used by the public over many years. Currently, the beach has been scoured by the recent storms and is now made up of blue/grey clay, making the surface slippery and difficult to walk on. The Parish council have identified that the wooden safety fencing at the turning circle at Seatown was badly damaged in the storm and Dorset council have been notified.

The Clapps Mead Playing Field. The Clapps Mead Management Committee met on 3<sup>rd</sup> February to discuss the future of the Playing Field and Play Area. Recent Safety Inspections have revealed certain items need replacing and much work is needed for minor repairs to fencing/gates including painting and wood staining. Proposals for new items of equipment will be made to the Parish Council at the February Meeting. The Volunteer Group will be kept very busy this year and if you would like to become a 'volunteer' or indeed a member of the Clapps Mead Management Committee we would love to hear from you. Volunteers keep the cost of the Precept down and also is an opportunity to keep our Play Area a safe and exciting place for all our children to play in.

With regard to the Inground Jumper which has sadly been covered over for the last 15 months the new insurance is now in place and the In Ground Jumper will be uncovered and ready for use as soon as weather conditions improve as prior to being put into use, levelling off work will take place and new signage will be erected. Please come on board as a Volunteer and make our Play Area the great place it used to be. If you wish to become a Volunteer please contact Cllr. Lyn Crisp or Cllr. George Dunn. Details on the website.

## **Reporting Issues to the Relevant Authority**

**Sewage / Water Leakages in Public Areas** - Ring Wessex Water Operations on 0345 600 4600 with as much information on the location as possible e.g. Post code

**Environmental Issues** - Environment Agency 0800 80 70 60 with Post Code if possible

### **Rights of Way Issues -**

<https://mapping.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/rights-of-way/reportproblem>

**Highway Issues** - except for the A35 - including blocked drains

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/roads-highways-maintenance/report-a-problem-on-the-road-or-pavement> - excluding street lighting

Emergency phone 01305 221000 (24 hours)

**Highway Issues A35** - including street lighting -

<https://report.nationalhighways.co.uk>

**Street Light Issues** (apart from on the A35) -

<http://www.lightsonindorset.co.uk/ReportFault.aspx>:

If you do not have internet access, then please contact the Clerk or a

Councillor with as much information as possible.

## **100 plus club**

It is time to get the 100 club renewals out - details below

Chideock 100 plus club renewals and new membership for 2026

To all newcomers to Chideock welcome. If you would like to join the 100 club the cost is £12.00 per number and you can have as many numbers as you wish. The new draw starts in April 2026 prizes are monthly 1st Prize £30.00 2nd prize. £20.00 3rd prize £10.00

All profits go part way to helping the Chideock News to pay for the running costs. Please do consider joining if you are new to the village as it is a very worthwhile local cause

Can I remind all 100 Club members that the renewal date for this year is by April the cost is still £12.00 per ticket the more tickets the more chance of winning and the bigger the cheque to help with the running of the Chideock News.

To pay via bank transfer details as follows

TSB. Sort code. 77-50-35

Account no 19265860

Cheques payable to 100 plus club (Chideock News)

As before cash or the cheques could be dropped into my letter box at any time

Anna Dunn - Chideock House, Main Street, Chideock, DT6 6JN. 01297  
489242

Chideock Parish Magazine 2025 –  
 with apologies ....  
 AMENDED/CORRECTED ACCOUNTS

IN	Advertisers	Donations
R & D Tuck	40.00	
Antiques	80.00	
Clock House	168.00	
Chideock Village Trust	160.00	
WrixtonSmyth Creations	40.00	
Chideock Stores	40.00	
Dynamic Dance	40.00	
The George (8)		
West Dorset Forager (320)		
 total adverts	 568.00	
Donation WI	100.00	
100+ club	1,100.00	
 <b>Total in</b>	 <b>1,768.00</b>	
 <b>Out : Printing Footeprints</b>	 <b>2,430.00</b>	
(4x £245, 1x £190, 6x £210)		

**RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS 2025**

At bank 31.12.24	1,307.84	
Receipts	1,768.00	
Payments	2,430.00	
As at bank 31.12.25		645.84
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	3,075.84	3,075.84

## A Tribute to Meash (Winston Maskell)

In recognition of Meash's indefatigable campaigning for an all weather path from Chideock to Bridport we have asked the local authority to name the path from Park Farm to Quarr Lane after him. The bench with the memorial plaque shown in the photographs, below has just been installed at the top of the hill. Thanks are due to David Warren and his team for laying the concrete base and installing it. Apart from the tribute to Meash, it might prove handy for some of us after climbing the hill! We have also purchased a large stone which will be installed on the bank at the foot of the path once it has been engraved with the legend "Meash's Way".



It is taking some time for the legal process of "dedicating" the bridleway to be completed but we have been assured that it is in process and it should be completed by the time this is published. The local authority will then erect oak finger post signs at both ends.

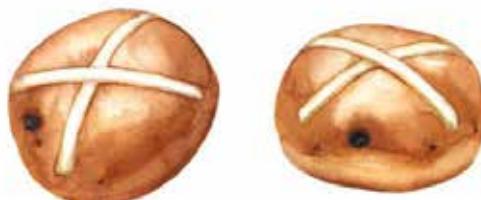
Recent storms have not been kind to the surface of the path which has suffered serious erosion over the winter. The Rangers department of Dorset Council know this has happened and have undertaken to remedy the situation. Although we're not sure when they will be able to do this, they have performed so well, to date, we have no doubt that it will.



Approaches have been made to landowners to the east of Quarr Lane to secure land to continue the path to meet the existing paved way at the former London Inn. We have enjoyed significant support in these endeavours from Symondsbury Parish Council and our MP.

Chideock Path to Bridport campaign.

**THE FRIENDS OF ST GILES**  
INVITE YOU FOR  
**HOT CROSS BUNS AND**  
**COFFEE**



**TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH FROM**  
**11.00AM - 12.30PM**  
**ST GILES CHURCH**



**SCRUMPTIOUS, BUTTERED HOT CROSS BUNS  
AND FRESH COFFEE OR TEA**

**£5**

**EASTER RAFFLE (to be drawn at 12 noon)**

# **STEP OUTSIDE WITH A NATURE BUDDY**

If you've ever wanted to spend more time outdoors but felt unsure about how to start, you're not alone, and help is at hand.

The Nature Buddies Network is a Dorset-wide initiative designed to support people to get outdoors and enjoy nature to improve their health and wellbeing. Whether you're feeling isolated, anxious, or lacking the confidence to get outside alone, Nature Buddies can help.

Managed by Dorset National Landscape in partnership with Volunteer Centre Dorset, and supported by The National Lottery Heritage Fund, the project matches trained volunteer Nature Buddies with people who could benefit from FREE, gentle, friendly support to enjoy the outdoors.

Nature Buddies can accompany you on a walk, help you visit local green spaces, support you to try an outdoor activity or even take part in nature-based activities with you at home.

It has been proven that spending time in nature - even just a couple of hours a week - can lift your mood, ease stress, boost your immune system and improve your physical wellbeing. Whether it's a stroll through a local park or simply sitting among trees, let nature be your natural health service.

**If you or someone you know could benefit from a Nature Buddy** please visit: <https://www.dorset-nl.org.uk/project/nature-buddies-network> to find out more, or call Kate on 01305 228246 / email: [kate.townsend@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:kate.townsend@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk).

## **AXMINSTER AND DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY SPRING CONCERT**

### *Vivaldi's Gloria and CPE Bach's Magnificat*

Axminster and District Choral Society will present a joyful spring concert on **Saturday, March 28th, 2026 at 7:30pm at The Minster, Axminster**. The programme features Vivaldi's brilliant *Gloria* and the *Magnificat* by CPE Bach, the most talented son of the more famous JS Bach. The choir will be joined by professional orchestral players and soloists: soprano Harriet Mountford, mezzo-soprano Charlotte Badham, tenor Sam Dressel and baritone Julian Rippon.

Fresh from celebrating their fortieth anniversary, Axminster and District Choral Society continues to bring exceptional choral music to East Devon audiences. This spring concert showcases baroque energy at its best, with two

magnificent works that combine virtuosity and depth. It promises to be an exciting programme.

The choir's 2026 season continues with an exciting summer programme including Charles Stanford's *Songs of the Fleet*. In December, they will present music by the French baroque composer Marc-Antoine Charpentier.

Tickets are available from Archway Bookshops in Axminster, or online the website [www.axminsterchoral.co.uk](http://www.axminsterchoral.co.uk)

## **CITIZEN'S ADVICE ...Buying goods from overseas**

Consumer complaints show that many people are being misled by online adverts that imply goods are sold and shipped from UK-based traders, when these items are often from sellers based overseas.

If the buyer complains through the seller's website about the description or quality of what they have bought, they are asked to return the goods for a refund, but the return shipping cost is typically more than the item's original value.

According to findings from Which? almost half of UK shoppers unknowingly purchased items shipped from abroad, with over 40% unaware that the goods originated outside the UK until delivery. Around a quarter reported the received items failed to match the advertised description and returning them proved impractical or too expensive in terms of postage.

For online orders UK consumers generally have the right to cancel within 14 days of receipt and must receive refunds within 14 days of returning the goods. For faulty goods consumers should have a full refund within the first 30 days of purchase. Alternatively, there is a right to a repair or replacement within six months, or a refund if those options are not feasible.

Although UK law extends to international sellers targeting UK customers, in practice these rights often remain unenforced. Consumers may face significant challenges recovering refunds, particularly when returns require shipping overseas.

Consumers paying by credit card benefit from Section 75 of the Consumer Credit Act, if the items value is more than £100. This offers an additional layer of protection if the seller fails to deliver or misrepresents the goods, enabling UK banks to refund the purchaser instead of the seller themselves.

Shoppers are advised to carefully check seller details and delivery origin before purchasing.

If you have been affected by this and need advice then visit [www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer) or, phone the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 0808 223 1133.

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## SHALL WE DANCE?



## Chideock Village Hall

Every Monday - 7:30pm

[www.dynamic-dance.uk](http://www.dynamic-dance.uk)

 Dynamic Dance

**Need help with the cost of travelling to school or college this September? The Chideock Village Trust can help**

As part of a new scheme, the Trust has decided to provide a flat rate grant of £500 a year to all young people in years 12 and 13 who are resident in the village. These grants are designed to support students to get to school, college or work placements - particularly vital given that public funding for school transport stops after year 11. All you need to do to access a grant is to send an email to: [chideockvillagetrust@gmail.com](mailto:chideockvillagetrust@gmail.com)

We also consider applications from residents for grants to cover other educational or preservation activities, for example, financial help to attend a school trip, or to preserve a historically significant public building or space. Just drop us a line using the above email address.

The trustees meet quarterly to discuss applications so you won't have long to wait to learn if your request has been successful.



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# WEST DORSET FORAGER

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- The experience will be muddy, wet and lots of fun!
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- Get up and close with large Lobsters, Crabs and Sharks in their natural environment.
- We will also be taking to the woods in search of Fabulous Fungi.
- Climbing, Rambling and Rooting Around.

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