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Welcome to the February 2026 Flyer

I am writing this on the morning of the latest storm with roads closed all over the place. All this rain we are having is certainly very worrying for the future and should be another warning sign that the weather is being affected by global warming.

Hopefully the better weather will soon be on the way and the appearance of snowdrops and some daffodils is a sign of what is to come.

We are investigating ways of bringing back printed copies of the Flyer which will entail some fund raising, probably through adverts in the magazine as unfortunately at present the Flyer does not have any funds to pay for printing.

Even when and if we are successful I will continue to email copies to those who have requested them and the online version will continue to be published on the village facebook page and web site. If anyone has no internet access and needs a printed copy please let me know on the contacts below.

As I have said before please check with your friends and neighbours as to whether they will have access as it is important for everyone in the village to be able to see the Flyer by some means.

You will see from the cover that there will be a childrens pancake party for the mission community in Farringdon Village hall on Tuesday 17th. Details are overleaf. All are welcome and any help on the day would be appreciated.



Pancake Party



Including Pancake Making
Pancake Races
Pancake Flipping

Farringdon Village Hall
17th February 2026
11 am to 12 pm

For more information and booking,
contact Sarah Robertson:
sarahfamilies@lympstonechurch.org

Draft minutes of Parish Council Meeting held 13/01/26 Tuesday 7.30pm Farringdon Village Hall. (Note these are NOT approved minutes) Full PC minutes once approved will be available on the PC website <https://farringdondevonparishcouncil.gov.uk/>

THE DRAFT MINUTES OF FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

held on 13/01/2026 at Farringdon Village Hall

Chair J H opened meeting at 7.30pm

1. **Attendees** Chair J Hutchings, Vice Chair J Chanot, Cllr. B Pearce, Cllr J Bird, Clerk Mrs A Sayers, no members of the public
2. **Apologies of absence** Parish Cllr A Fletcher
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda** none
4. **Questions from the Public (15 minutes only)** none
5. **Reports** – Cty Cllr H Gent submitted email general DCC Report – forwarded to all councillors
6. **Report from Chair** none
7. **To confirm the Minutes of the PC meeting 09 /12/25** The PC unanimously confirmed the minutes and chair JH signed off
8. **Planning** –
 - a) **25/2395/FUL Proposal: Proposed outdoor padel court.** Location: Unit A, & B City Padel, Mushroom Road, Hill Barton Business Park Clyst St Mary, Exeter. Applicant: Mr S Greenslade (City Padel Exeter) Unit A And B, City Padel, Mushroom Rd, Hill Barton Business Park, Clyst St Mary EX5 1SB. PC agreed No Concerns but would appreciate low voltage lighting in view of culmulative lighting effect on local residents. Also hours restricted to 9pm in the evening.
 - b) **Any other planning matters** –Cllr J Bird advised he had participated in the EDDC Local Plan presentation webinar held 16 December. Presentation slides can be accessed through EDDC. There are no changes the plan is as previously discussed.

9. Parish Council Matters

- a. **Parishioner Concerns-** Concerns were raised regarding the appalling condition of the A3052 layby with several areas requiring repair and potholes to be filled. Clerk advised if photos are sent to her she will contact HNO.. The lanes around Denbow Cross were also mentioned. ..
- b. **Any other Parish Council Matters** PC requested the clerk to contact the Highways Neighbourhood Officer re the state of the lane near Denbow Cross and also the layby near A3052. Clerk requested the PC to forward photos and accurate location and she would contact DCC HNO

10. Finance

- a. **HSBC Statements for both accounts , receipts, received & payments made**
Statement 02/12/25 – 02/01/26 (Sheet no. 447)
02/12/25 BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD £14,116.58
02/01/26 BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD £13,539.70
- b. **Payments to be made against invoices received**
Parish Online Invoice £378.00 due 7 February 7 2026 The PC agreed payment action clerk
- c. **Any other Financial Matters** none
11. **Matters Arising** none
12. **Items at Chairmans Discretion** none
13. **Confirmation of next PC meeting**

PC agreed next two PC meetings 03 February and 17 March 2026

Chair closed meeting 8.25pm

Parish Clerk

FARRINGDON WEBSITE and FACEBOOK

For those of you not aware who have computers, the ringmaster is a way of informing residents of important events. To be added to the circulation list please send an email to Nigel Dutt at the following address : farringdon.ringmaster@hotmail.com

There is a **Farringdon Parish** Facebook group for Parish Residents The Flyer will be posted on the Facebook Group page and website farringdondevonparishcouncil.gov.uk

REPORTING NOISE, BAD SMELLS AND ODOURS

If you are concerned about noise, or a bad smell or odour you should contact both the Environment Agency and the EDDC Environmental Health (who have a 24 hour reporting service)
Environment Agency Hotline 0800807060
EDDC Environmental Health – During working hours 01395517457
_ During out of hours 01395 516854

Please call at the time you are experiencing this

In addition ics@environment-agency.gov.uk

- 1) name, address, or post code or phone contact#
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- 3) when noise or smell first noticed
- 4) rate noise or smell 1 (low) - 6 (high)
- 5) weather conditions (if known)
- 6) if residence, can you smell odour or hear the noise from inside the house with windows opened, with Windows closed.

The following operators have agreed their details can be published in The Flyer so that any issues that parishioners can be raised direct as well as reported to EA/EDDC etc.

Farringdon Parish Councillor Jane Chanot is the PC Representative on the Hill Barton Liason Committee. Her mobile number is 07783 004688 parishioners may contact her with any concerns

Operator Contact Details:

Coastal Organics (Deep Moor LF Ltd) - reports@coastaluk.co.uk;

- Glyn Brooke (Brooke Energy) - Office: 01823 242555 & Mobile: 07971280360;
- Jack Stuart (EMS) – 07814 731526;
- Tom Stuart (Wash Plant) – 07811 190710;
- Troy Stuart – 07976 700555;

Tarmac - Weekday telephone number 01395 232739 - Evening/
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WHAT TO DO IN THE EVENT OF A FLOOD

In the event of a flood, there are many authorities available to help. Below outlines who should be contacted for the various types of flooding incidents and emergencies that occur. The local authorities rely on information reported to them to inform any investigations and prioritization of investment. If it is an emergency and there is danger to life as a result of flooding, you should not hesitate to call 999

To report flooding of the highway and blocked drains contact Devon County Council's Highway Customer Service Centre on 0345 155 1004 or visit the Roads and Transport webpage. Office hours are Monday to Friday 8am – 8pm and Saturdays 9am – 1pm. For emergencies outside of these hours call 01392 383329

For any flooding on major trunk roads (the M5, A30, A38, A35 and A303) contact National Highways on 0300 123 5000 (24 hour service)

To report flooding from sewers and water pipes contact South West Water on 0344 346 2020 (24 hour service)

For enquiries about flood warnings contact the Environment Agency's Floodline on 0345 988 1188 (24 hour service)

For general enquiries about Main River or flooding from the sea contact the Environment Agency on 03708 506 506

For all other flooding enquiries contact the Devon County Council Flood Risk Management Team on 0345 155 1015 or email floodrisk@devon.gov.uk

Preparing for a flood

Please refer to Devon County Council and Environment Agency web pages for advice on what to do before, during and after a flood. In the first instance of flooding and sandbag requests contact your local District or Parish Council to be directed to any local sandbag supplies that may be available.

Sign up to flood warnings: <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

Flood Alert: Flooding is possible. Be prepared.

Flood Warning: Flooding is expected. Immediate action required.

Severe Flood Warning: Severe flooding. Danger to life

Warnings no longer in force: No further flooding is currently expected

POTHoles, ROAD OBSTRUCTIONS AND ANY OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO ROAD CONDITIONS.

Please do not contact the Parish Clerk regarding the above. The correct contact number is Devon Highways on

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/>

Tel 0345 155 1004

TO ALL RESIDENTS OF FARRINGDON

DO YOU NEED ASSISTANCE WITH THE COST OF YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION?

Please note there is no requirement to be a member of the Church congregation

ARE YOU STRUGGLING WITH UNIVERSITY FEES, THE COST OF SCHOOL TRIPS, MUSICAL TUITION etc?

If so, the church may be able to help you. There is a charitable trust called the Chalice Educational Foundation which is able to offer financial assistance to any children under the age of 25 years of age who live in Farringdon.

If you think we may be able to help, do telephone me for a chat to discuss your needs. Dawn – 01395 232249

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From the Vicar's Desk

February is a weird month within the church, as we do two things nearly every year. At the start of February at Candlemas (2nd) we remember when Jesus' mum and dad, Mary and Joseph, went to the temple and gave thanks to God for the birth of Jesus, marking the end of the Christmas Story – a time of great Joy. After which, many take down their Christmas Decorations packing them away, until they go up again in December. As they are removed, the brightness they gave is removed. Yet, darkness does not prevail. It does not because during the second half of February, we begin the season of Lent. Lent comes from the Old English and means lengthen. It was the name to the period before Easter, because as the medieval church were preparing for Easter so too were the days getting longer; they were lengthening.

During Lent many of us seek to forgo something that we are depended upon, whilst others take something on as part of preparing for Easter. We do this to remember Jesus, and the 40 days he spent in the wilderness without food and water. Lent is when we seek to go through a little hardship to remind us of the hardship Jesus went through. In doing so we seek to become less reliant on the self and instead more humble and dependant on others.

As I write this, I am still revelling in the Joy of Christmas, whilst also thinking about Lent and Easter, particularly about my Lenten discipline. Moreover, I am also preparing for the gear shift in February between supreme Joy at the start and the fast that begins in the second half of February. In doing this, I am left wondering if there is another time in the year when we experience such extremes in emotion in such a small timeframe - I cannot think of any. Therefore, February is unique in that we experience both the highs and lows of human experience within 28 days. This is good, because it helps us to be ready for when the unexpected occurs. As we will have the resilience for them. I will leave you to ponder that this month.

Your friend and vicar,
Lewis

Zoom Services in the White Cross Mission Community

Morning Prayer Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays @ 9.30

Please email Jacquie at Jacquie.manser@gmail.com for the zoom address (It is the usual Jacquie zoom address for those who have been on zoom before)

YOUR CHURCHYARD NEEDS YOU

If anyone could spend an hour or so to help out with the maintenance of the churchyard, this would be most appreciated.

This could be mowing, strimming or keeping the graves and hedges tidy.

We are grateful for the help we have received this year but if you could spare a little time to help please contact David on 01395 232459

CHURCH NEWS



The Raise the Roof Dinner which was held on January 17th in the village hall was enjoyed by all who attended.

Many thanks must go to Alex and Vivien who did all of the cooking, Vivien's family who waited table and washed all the many dishes and to our special Maitre d' – Jerry. Also, last but certainly not least, thanks must go to Phil who provided us with entertainment which had us all in stitches.

The event raised a grand total of £690 to go towards the church roof fund.

Thank you to those who attended and to those who gave donations.

February Church Services in the White Cross Mission Community

Aylesbeare			
Sunday 15 th	9.30am	Family Service	Rev Eden
Wednesday 18 th	7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion	Rev Eden
Clyst St George			
Sunday 8 th	9.30am	Breakfast Service & Baptism	Rev Eden
Sunday 22 nd	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Scrivener
Clyst St Mary			
Sunday 15 th	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Raven
Exton			
Wednesday 4 th	10.30am	Midweek for Mission Community HC	Rev Eden
Wednesday 11 th	10.30am	Midweek for Mission Community HC	Rev Scrivener
Wednesday 18 th	10.30am	ASH WEDNESDAY Midweek for Mission Community HC	Rev Eden
Wednesday 25 th	10.30am	Midweek for Mission Community HC	Rev StirlingTroy
Farringdon			
Sunday 8 th	11.15am	Holy Communion	Rev Scrivener
Sunday 22 nd	9.30am	Morning Worship	Rev Eden
Woodbury			
Sunday 8 th	11.15am	Holy Communion	Rev StirlingTroy
Sunday 15 th	6.00pm	Evensong	Rev Eden
Sunday 22 nd	11.15am	Holy Communion	Rev Eden & Rev StirlingTroy
Woodbury Salterton			
Sunday 1 st	10.30am	Candlemass for whole Mission Community	Bishop Mike and Ministry Team
Sunday 15 th	9.30am	Breakfast Family Service	J. Dupain

Any baptisms, marriages, funeral services or hospital visits may be arranged by contacting

***the Church Admin Officer Jill Dupain dupain@hotmail.co.uk or
the Church Warden Dawn Cowler on 01395 232249***



Aylesbeare Flower Show Outing 2026

Saturday 20th June

Cotehele in Cornwall - National Trust property

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