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Welcome to the November 2026 Flyer

The Harvest Festival season is now upon us and for farmers and gardeners the hot dry summer has really affected crops. Some things have flourished and others have been really disappointing. Apples for instance appear to be very thin on the ground.

Let us hope that we get enough but not too much rain during the winter to replenish the reservoirs and the ground.

I am sorry that we are still unable to deliver hard copies of the Flyer but 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.



MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING

on Saturday November 14th

in the Village hall

between 10-30am and 12 noon

Please come along for coffee and cake and a chat with neighbours and friends This is for everyone, young and old.

REMEMBRANCE DAY WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 11TH



Please note that this year there will be no service on Remembrance Sunday

However, there will be a short service of remembrance on Remembrance Day Wednesday November 11th at 10.55 by the memorial in the church porch, followed by at the Polish Memorial in front of the Village Hall. This will be taken by Rev M. Scrivener and will be assisted by Jerry Bird.



LittlePod Company

INVITATION to tea

On Friday, 4th December LittlePod are holding an afternoon HighTea in the village hall. The event is to celebrate their first Animated Christmas film which has been created for them by Daniel Loveday.

LittlePod values its place in the village and would like to extend an invitation to the people of Farringdon to join them for tea with a film premiere to be held in Farringdon Church.

This is a FREE event although there will be a donation box (funds to go to the Church Roof restoration fund) available for any contributions that people would like to make.

The tea will be created by LittlePod's Ambassador chef, Peter Gorton.
Many people may know Peter from his Michelin star restaurant days in Devon.
Here is his profile: https://www.petergortonchef.co.uk/

Numbers will be limited to 80 people. For entry an INVITATION CARD will be required.

This will be a relaxed occasion and an opportunity to meet and greet other residents and say hello to LittlePodders.

Please just drop a line to:

admin@littlepod.co.uk if you would like to attend.

Farringdon Parish Council Meeting held 27/10/26 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/

FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday 27/10/2026 at Farringdon Villager Hall 7.30pm

Chair J Hutchings opened meeting at 7.40pm
1. Attendees *Chair J Hutchings ,Cllr J Bird, Cllr A Fletcher Clerk Mrs A Sayers,, 1 member of the public present.*

2. Apologies of absence *, Cllr. B Pearce apologies ill health Vice Chair J Chanot apologies, District Cllr P Fearnley apologies*

3. Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda *none.*

4. Questions from the Public – 15 minutes allowed *(nb this is not minuted)*

5. Reports. *None received*

6. Report From Chair- *none*

7. PC to approve the minutes of the PC meeting held 22/09/26 *FPC unanimously approved and chair JH signed off*

8. Planning –
a) Any planning related matters.
26/2098/PVJ Clerk advised that she had just received this pre application notification:-
Proposal: Application to determine if prior approval is required for the installation of solar photovoltaic panels to the roof of the building
Location: Sunbelt Rentals Mushroom Road, Hill Barton Bus. Park Clyst St Mary, EX5 1SB
Applicant:Mr Chris Jones, Sunbelt Rentals Ltd., Warrington Support Office, 102 Dalton Drive, Warrington WA3 6YE
The PC acknowledged the notification no concerns.

9. Parish Council Matters

a. Parishioner Concerns-
- *A Local resident had submitted lengthy and detailed concern relating to the recent re surfacing of the B3184. Major concerns had been highlighted with detailed references to dust/poor surface material/ excessive noise. The resident who lives alongside the B3184 was of the view that the road surface had not needed resurfacing and that the previous surface had been acceptable. The PC were minded to agree with this*

The PC resolved that the resident's concern in all its detail should be supported by the PC and forwarded to the new Highways Neighbourhood Officer Simon Hendry – clerk to action
- Clerk advised that she would be contacting the new HNO SH regarding the process required for the PC to erect a solar slow down sign on the A3052 – clerk to action

b. Any other Parish Council Matters -*none*

10. Finance

a. HSBC Statements for both accounts, receipts received & payments made.
Statement 02/09/26 – 02/10/26 (Sheet no. 456 reviewed and approved)
02/09/26 BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD
£18,091.47
02/10/26 BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD
£17,244.95

b. Payments to be made against invoices received *PC agreed Invoices*
Invoice HMRC Tax & NIC due for Sept 2026 £14.98
Invoice L1194 £65.00 October expenses Mrs S A Sayers

PC reviewed and agreed – chair signed off

c. Any other Financial Matters *none*

11. Matters Arising- *none*

12. Items at Chairman's Discretion *none*

13. Confirmation of next PC meeting

The next two FPC meetings are scheduled for

***17/11/26 and 15/12/26** starting at 7-30pm*

Chair closed meeting at 8.40pm

Parish Clerk

REPORTING FLY TIPPING

Report fly-tipping in East Devon directly online using the East Devon District Council Report Fly-Tipping Form. For assistance over the phone, call the council's StreetScene team at 01404 515616. [1, 2]

Online Reporting Process

- **Use What3Words: The council recommends downloading the What3Words app to pinpoint the exact rural or roadside location of the dumped waste.**
- **Provide Details: Include a description of the waste, the exact location, and upload photos if possible. [1, 2, 3]**

Who is Responsible

- **East Devon District Council: Removes and investigates fly-tipping on council property, Devon County Council highways, pavements, roads, and lay-bys.**
- **Private Landowners: Responsible for clearing dumped waste on private land.**
- **Environment Agency: Investigates large-scale, hazardous, or organized commercial fly-tipping. [1, 2, 3]**

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farringdonvillagehalldevon@gmail.com
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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#
2) where suspected noise or smell is coming from
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/ Weekend number 07483 955871 (Plant normal operating hours are Monday to Friday 0530 – 1500

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

FARRINGDON WEBSITE and FACEBOOK

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 UNTAXED/DAMAGED OR ABANDONED VEHICLES

- *Report vehicles with no tax to GOV.UK - Vehicle details*
- *Report to police online exmouth@dc.police.uk*
- *Report abandoned vehicles to EDDC Report abandoned vehicle - East Devon.*
- *If there is suspected breach of use of premises for commercial use, go to EDDC planning enforcement."*

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

FARRINGDON PLANT SWAP



A plant swop bench has been set up outside the book shed in the village hall car park.
Please feel free to take what you would like and donate anything that you can.

Book Review

"Moral Ambition – How to find your purpose" Rutger Bregman

Are you wasting your life? Rutger Bergman, a Dutch historian, author and the 2025 Reith Lecturer thinks that many of us are. He argues that careers are wasted in "mind-numbing, pointless, or just plain harmful jobs". His case is made very eloquently and rapidly in the first few pages. Yet the power of the book is in the stories he tells of people who have made a difference in the world.

He starts with a simple four type model of what you can do with your talents. First, are the not ambitious and not idealist jobs that don't add much value to life. Second, ambitious but not idealist roles where people want to get to the top but measure success in terms of job title, salary and perks. Third, are the idealistic but not all that ambitious people who often follow their passion in generating awareness of issues but not solving problems. The fourth type combines the idealism with ambition to change things for the better. The book is then a series of well told stories about those who, by design or good fortune, have followed the path of idealism and ambition.

In 1785, Thomas Clarkson was a Cambridge student when he entered a Latin essay competition. The question he answered—and ultimately won with—was stark: *Is it acceptable to force others into slavery?* Winning the competition could have secured his reputation as a scholar. Instead, Clarkson realised that if his arguments against slavery were true, someone would have to work to end the practice. He became one of the first full-time abolitionists.

Other stories include the early career of Ralph Nader, a US lawyer who took on the might of General Motors to improve car safety and moved onto many other fights with big business and the government to create new laws and protect citizens. There is a wonderful chapter entitled "Learn to Weep over Spreadsheets" where a successful businessman raised money to help first one person then millions of people.

Bregman describes the "Hogwarts for Do-Gooders" in London where entrepreneurs research a socially important problem and try out solutions with mentor support and seed funding. There are lots more examples from a diplomat safely retrieving enriched uranium from Kazakhstan to Leah Garces standing up for chicken farmers, which make it an interesting read.

Rory Stewart's endorsement of the book says it is "clear, brave, important and provocative". Bergman rightly challenges our society where young talent is attracted into high tech and finance and less into public service or solving the climate crisis. The stories are well researched, but some are over idealistic leaving me with the impression that his ambition and idealism is out of reach for most people. Yet young or old this book does provoke – what is your purpose in life?

Mike D Williams
August 2026





TO ALL PARENTS IN FARRINGDON

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

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

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

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

Please don't hesitate to get in touch for a confidential chat to discuss your needs.
We would love to hear from you

Please contact Dawn – 01395 232249






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

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

Zoom Services in the White Cross Mission Community

Morning Prayer Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays @ 9.00

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)

WEDNESDAY SERVICES AT EXTON

Every Wednesday morning there is a service of Holy Communion at Exton Church starting at 10.30, and is followed by coffee.
All are welcome

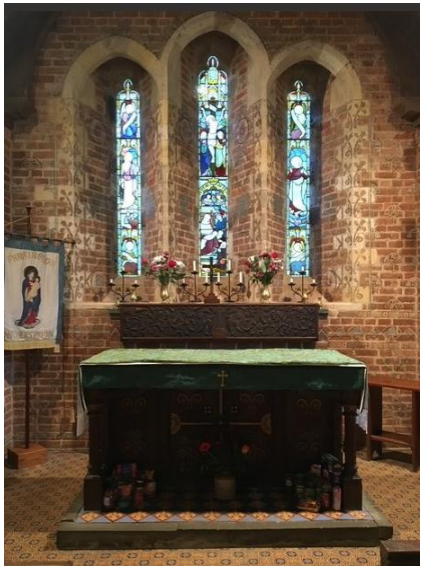
NEW SINGERS WANTED

We are a small group who sing at the monthly Holy Communion services at Aylesbeare, Farringdon, Clyst St. George and Clyst St Mary. We are looking for extra singers to join us. You would be welcome to sing at any, or all of the churches. No experience is necessary.
For more information, please contact Liz Whittaker on 07539540300.
Thanks
Liz

CHURCH NEWS

The Harvest Festival took place on October 11th at 6pm with Rev Lewis presiding.
The church looked lovely as always for this event due to all those who took part in decorating it so beautifully.
We have attached a photo of the alter from this year and as a comparison and as a comparison a very old black and white photo from a previous event.





After the service a lovely supper was enjoyed in the village hall, This had generously been provided by Vivien Barnes, Alex Thompson, Rev Lewis and others which everyone enjoyed

The collection for the church came to £65 and donations at the supper which were in aid of 'Exeter Foodbank' and 'The farming Communities Network' came to £230.30.
Thankyou to all who attended.

Dawn
Church Warden

November Church Services in the White Cross Mission Community

Aylesbeare			
Sunday 1st	4.00pm	Family Service	Rev Stirling Troy
Wednesday 11th	10.55am	Remembrance	Rev StirlingTroy
Sunday 15th	11.15am	Holy Communion	Rev Eden
Clyst St George			
Sunday 8th	9.30am	Family Service	Rev Watson
Wednesday 11th	9.15am	Remembrance with school	Rev Eden
Sunday 22nd	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Eden
Clyst St Mary			
Sunday 1st	9.30am	Family Service	Rev Stirling Troy
Wednesday 11th	10.55am	Remembrance	Rev Raven
Sunday 15th	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Eden
Exton			
Wednesday 4th	10.30am	Midweek for Mission Community HC	Rev Eden
Sunday 8th	6.00pm	Evening Worship Remembrance	Rev Eden and C.Grist
Wednesday 11th	10.30am	Midweek for Mission Community HC	Rev Horwood
Wednesday 18th	10.30am	Midweek for Mission Community HC	Rev Scrivener
Wednesday 25th	10.30am	Midweek for Mission Community HC	Rev StirlingTroy
Monday 30th St Andrew's Day	6.00pm	Evening Prayer followed by Fish and Chips at Puffing Billy	Rev Eden
Farringdon			
Sunday 1st	11.15am	Holy Communion	Rev Eden
Wednesday 11th	10.55am	Remembrance	Rev Scrivener
Sunday 15th	11.15am	Morning Worship	C. Grist
Woodbury			
Sunday 1st	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion	Rev Eden
Sunday 1st	6.00pm	All Souls	Rev Eden and Rev Scrivener
Sunday 8th	10.55am	Holy Communion Remembrance	Rev Eden and C.Grist
Sunday 8th	3.00pm	Remembrance on the Green	Rev Eden and C.Grist
Wednesday 11th	10.55am	Remembrance on the Green	Rev Eden and C.Grist
Sunday 15th	9.30am	Family Service	Rev StirlingTroy
Sunday 22nd	11.15am	Holy Communion	Rev Eden
Sunday 29th	10.30am	Whole MC Holy Communion	Ministry Team
Woodbury Salterton			
Sunday 8th	10.55am	Remembrance	Lay Led
Sunday 22nd	9.30am	Family Service and Baptism	Rev Stirling Troy

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