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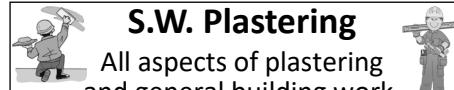
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PARISH DIRECTORY

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	775426 775218

PCC Secretary

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Devon County Councillor	Ron Peart	362260

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	Ron Peart	362260

Ideford Parish Council

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Clerk	Juliette Thompson	07731 145077

Ideford Village Hall

Chairman	Julie Parker	07748 982351
Booking Clerk	Angela Fox	852259

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	David Aylmore	852259

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	Janet Aylmore	852259

Parish Footpath Warden

Parish Wildlife Wardens	David Aylmore	852259
	Dominic Morby	853991

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Candlemas

Within the Christian liturgical year February celebrates the Festival of Candlemas, or to give it its more modern name, the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. This Festival is such a pivotal moment in the Christian calendar. It is the point at which we turn from the coming of God's gift of his Son to the world [celebrated at Christmas] towards God's gift of redemption and salvation through his Son for the world. This journey through the season of Lent climaxing in the services held during Holy Week, Good Friday towards the light and glory of the risen Christ on Easter Day.

The Feast of Candlemas introduces us to the vivid story of Anna, the 84-year-old prophetess, who prayed day and night in the Temple; and to Simeon, a faithful servant of God as a priest in the Temple. In a country occupied by a foreign power, within Luke's Gospel the reader is informed that both Anna and Simeon become excited by the sight of this baby. Jesus was just a baby brought to the Temple by his parents, as was the custom of their Jewish ritual of thanksgiving. Anna began to praise God and 'to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem'. This account also records the supreme joy expressed by a faithful man as he encountered God's revelation of the long promised Messiah. Simeon's response is now known as the Nunc Dimittis: '..... for mine eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel'. For us to remember that Simeon's Song of Worship occurred in response to the extraordinary presence of the long promised Messiah as he was revealed to two very faithful people of prayer.

In the good news given by John the Evangelist, it states: 'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it'. It is announcing how Jesus, as the 'The Light of the World', can reveal to us afresh the mighty presence and power he brings that can enable each one of us to rise above the chaos and darkness of this world in which we live today.

The Latin word februum, from which the month of February was named, means 'purification'. Brian Doerksen wrote: 'purify our hearts, cleanse us from within and make us holy'. He published 'Refiner's fire' in 1990, and this song of worship is based on the Old Testament passage from Malachi, appointed within the liturgy for Candlemas services. Like Malachi, we too can encounter the light and glory of the risen Christ. It is the call today for us to take time to pray in faith like Anna and Simeon, enabling us to grow in our Christian discipleship, and then to be sent out to serve the people of Devon with joy.

Anna Venables [Licensed Lay Minister within the Haldon Mission Community]

FEBRUARY SERVICES

Sunday Feb. 5th 4.30pm	3rd Sunday before Lent Evensong	Ideford
Sunday Feb. 12th 9.30am 6.30pm	2nd Sunday before Lent Holy Communion Evensong - Plough Sunday	Ashcombe Luton
Sunday Feb. 19th 11am *	Sunday before Lent Parish Communion	Ideford

*For other services in the team please see the team website:
www.haldonteam.org.uk*

** Coffee and biscuits will be available before and after this service*

Seasonal matters

Ash Wednesday, February 22nd: Holy Communion at 10am at St John's Bishopsteignton. For other service provision on that day, please see the Haldon Mission Community website.

Warm Spaces: You are very welcome to come and join us in St John's, Bishopsteignton for the following 'warm space' initiative:

Wednesday 15th February 12noon - 2pm, soup/hot drinks and sandwiches and 'Desert Island Discs'. We'll have a CD player to hand but phones/laptops with downloaded music can be brought along.

There is no charge for this event but donations would be welcome.

Just come as you can not as you can't to enjoy company and warmth.

Rev. Jane Frost

Lent Studies

Please join us for our 2023 Lent Studies - the meetings will be informal and inclusive. We will be meeting at the Old Post Office in Fore Street, the home of Frances Tilley. We will be studying a course to be recommended by Rev Jane Frost, with our first meeting on **Monday 27th February at 7.30pm**. The evening starts with an informal time with refreshments, followed by around an hour of study and discussion finishing by 9pm. We hope you can join us for at least some of the six studies.

Libby (e-mail: eme.brendon@gmail.com)



GENERAL INFORMATION

Ideford Church Key Rota

February Bill Wilkins (Linden Lea, Butts Lane)

Luton Altar Flowers and Brass Cleaning

February C Reddaway

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Websites and Sat. Nav.

Haldon Team Website www.haldonteam.org.uk

Ideford Parish Website www.ideal-parish.co.uk

Church post codes for Sat Nav: St Mary's, Ideford TQ13 0BB
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Items for inclusion in the March 2023 Newsletter

should be sent to: Janet Aylmore at j23aylmore@gmail.com
by **Wednesday, February 15th** please.

Items for the Parish website should be sent to Juliette at
idefordclerk@hotmail.co.uk

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095.3 The budget and precept for the year 2023 – 2024 to be agreed at the December meeting.

095.4 LTN 9E on handling complaints has been updated. This was primarily to update a statutory reference in the table in paragraph 8 and to tie up and update language.

LTN 5E on parish council meetings has been updated to give guidance on remote public participation at council meetings.

The date for His Majesty King Charles III's coronation has been set for 6th May 2023.

The National Salary Award for 2022 – 2023 has been agreed with £1 per hour uplift and an extra day's holiday pro rata.

096/22

TO VOTE ON HOLDING A PART TWO MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwork, seconded by Cllr T Hill and agreed by all to hold a Part Two Meeting to discuss the Clerk's pay scale prior to budget setting.

097/22

DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 8th December 2022. The Chair closed the meeting at 8:22pm.

At this point Cllr M Crispin made accusations against Cllr A Carter-Woodwork without providing evidence and this outburst was brought to a close by the Chair.

Cllr M Crispin resigned as a Parish Councillor.

098/22

PART TWO MEETING (CLOSED TO PUBLIC AND PRESS)

It was agreed to increase the Clerk's pay scale to SCP18 with effect from 1st April 2023.

This part of the meeting ended at 8:37pm



A huge 'Thank You' to everyone who organised or supported the many successful festive events in our village during December - The Christmas Fayre, The Christmas Tree Festival, Wreath making, Festive Lunch and Advent windows - and not forgetting the carol singers (apologies if I have missed anything!).

Thank you to the brilliant volunteers who read at the well supported Carol service, and to the providers of the welcome refreshments. It was lovely to see so many at the Crib service and Christmas morning service - both organised and led by members of the community.

A lot of planning and work goes into organising these events, but they can only succeed with the support of the village - so thank you one and all - it's great when a community comes together.

Janet Aylmore

Dates for your diary - regular events

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Ideford Parish Council Meeting, Thursday February 9th 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 February 6th Full Council Meeting

Monday February 20th 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

Small friendly group meeting every Tuesday in the village hall from 7pm until 9pm with break for tea. New members welcome, just turn up and 'have a go'

MOBILE LIBRARY AT THE POUND, IDEFORD

Wednesday February 22nd, 2.40pm - 3.10pm.

IDEFORD SOCIAL CLUB

Monthly meetings - please contact Kath Mortimore for details - 853394.

IDEFORD COMMUNITY POP-UP CAFÉ

Friday February 24th 2023, 11am until 1pm in Ideford Village Hall - see page 6 for details

PACT MEETING

Monday 6th February, 11am - 12 noon in Ideford Village Hall

The PACT (Police and Communities Together) Meeting is a chance to catch up with your local Neighbourhood Team. Everyone welcome to come along.



CAFÉ
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Ideford Community

Pop - Up Café

January 27th

February 24th

March 31st

Ideford Village Hall 11am - 1pm

Please come along for -
soup and a roll or tea/coffee and cake

Arrange to meet up with friends and neighbours at your
dog friendly Community Café

(Voluntary donation only)

Contact Janet or Vanessa with any offers of help

Lent Studies

A series of weekly informal meetings starting on Monday
February 27th February. Please see page 4 for full details.



MARMALADE TIME

Thanks to regular jar donors, I have been able to fill 75 jars with delicious 2023
marmalade!

I would be very grateful for **more empty jars**, preferably with lids and without
labels, so that I can make even more preserves in aid of our Church, Village Hall
and Millennium Green. These can be left on the front doorstep at Rook Hayes.
Please don't give them to the recycling team. 😊

Many thanks
Liz



093/22

PLANNING

093.1 The following planning applications were discussed:

22/01887/FUL – Barn, Bowden Lane, Church Road

Barn including stables and yard

It was proposed by Cllr M Batting, seconded by Cllr H Bellamy and agreed
by the PC to support this application.

22/01016/FUL – Larcombe Barn

New entrance an access track

It was proposed by Cllr J Gardner, seconded by Cllr A Carter-Woodwork
and agreed by all to support this application providing the
recommendations of the ecologist's report are made a condition of
planning consent; and that these recommendations are agreed and
followed.

The following planning applications were not validated so not discussed:
22/01891/CLDE

Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed siting of a caravan for ancillary
residential use within the curtilage of the dwelling at Higher Colleybrook

22/01890/CLDE

Certificate of Lawfulness for the proposed siting of caravan to provide
agricultural welfare facilities and agricultural storage in association with the
agricultural operations at Higher Colleybrook Farm.

093.2 Planning Enforcement:

The PC were extremely disappointed in TDC's response to the hedgerow
breach as the PC had proved the hedgerow met the relevant points
needed to be protected. It was noted that although the PC as a body is
unable to approach the Ombudsman to appeal the decision, individual
Cllrs or groups of people can and Cllr A Carter-Woodwork has offered to
assist anyone who wants to do this.

094/22

CONCERNs RAISED BY PARISHIONERS TO COUNCILLORS

Clerk to put a polite notice in the Parish News asking for those intending to
let off fireworks give notice to residents.

Bishopsteignton Preschool are looking for locations to place banners to
advertise school places.

095/22

CLERK'S REPORT AND FINANCE

095.1 The balance of accounts on 31st October 2022 was £17,167.56.

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

095.2 It was agreed by all to approve the following payments.

£22.50	Village Hall	Venue Hire
£151.19	TEEC	Website Hosting & Domain
£740.00	Millennium Green	Contribution

To note payments made since the last meeting

£60.00	Wildlife Wardens	Projects
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**PC Clarke Orchard – Neighbourhood Beat Manager and PCSO
Saul Bunce:**

Offence	Oct.2022	Oct.2021	Difference
Violence with injury	1	0	-
Stalking & Harassment	1	1	0%
Public Order Offences	0	1	-100%
Total	2	2	0%

Incident	Oct.2022	Oct.2021	Difference
Crime recorded	2	0	-
Public Safety	0	2	-100%
Transport	4	4	0%
Total	6	6	0%

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

PARISH MATTERS

092.1 The meeting dates for 2023 were agreed.

092.2 Discussion on applying for the Connecting Your Community Grant was deferred.

092.3 After discussion it was decided that there would be no benefit in applying for the Tidy Teignbridge Fund.

Thanks were given to resident L Lucas for regularly collecting litter in the parish.

092.4 PC to place an advisory note in the Parish News detailing how to get technical support for broadband problems.

092.5 It was agreed by all to sign up to the Civility & Respect Pledge.

092.6 Clerk to request that DDC clear out all silt at The Pound or take responsibility for flooding.

Water levels of the Colley Brook will continue to be monitored.

092.7 To receive any updates on roadworks, highways and parking issues: The DCC Area Highways Officer to be invited to comment on the poor standard of pothole repair works outside Stapley Cottage.

Clerk to request update for the proposal to install double yellow lines in the parish.

092.8 A date will be set for the fever tree planting public event.

092.9 Thanks to those involved in setting up the Sustainable Ideford display in the Village Hall. Sustainable Ideford & Cllrs to liaise to produce a response to the DCC EV consultation.

Energy / Carbon Cutters Roadshow plans are ongoing.

092.10 A wildlife area has been planted in the church grounds.

The Wildlife Wardens are looking to produce a booklet for all residents on wildlife in gardens.

092/22

**Family
Bingo Night**

Saturday 25th February

Doors open 5.30pm

Eyes down 6.00pm

Ideford Village Hall

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and for Leila to attend the
World Scout Jamboree 2023

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You can report an empty grit bin by visiting the DCC Report a Problem page. You can also use this page to see the locations of grit bins and to report a damaged bin or a bin with contents that are unusable. Alternatively, you can contact the DCC Roads and Transport team on 0345 155 1004. You will need to provide a clear location and if there is a label inside the bin lid please also provide the reference number found on the label.

Ideford Parish Council are looking for a Snow Warden to help the community during severe weather.

In winter, DCC focus on salting the major routes that carry the most traffic. This sometimes means smaller communities don't receive as much help as they would like. During times of extreme weather, through the Snow Warden Scheme DCC will provide advice, training and salt to community groups and parish councils who are helping each other on a voluntary basis. The Snow Warden is the key point of contact between DCC and the local community.

Snow Wardens are volunteers from the local community who:

- Give up their spare time to help clear snow during adverse weather
- Clear snow from footpaths
- Spread and lay grit/salt to stop ice forming
- Are willing to attend a short training course at DCC

If you would be able to store a supply of salt and might be able to tow the parish gritter and would like more information on what is involved please speak to the Clerk via idefordcerk@hotmail.co.uk or visit <https://new.devon.gov.uk/communities/opportunities/snow-warden-scheme>

Please note that the Snow Warden is a voluntary unpaid role.



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101 Call Waiting Times-101 or PI [Priority 1] none-emergency calls are those calls that are identified by the interactive Voice Response [VR] system as high priority. These include calls relating to domestic abuse, sexual offences, hate crime, missing persons, and road safety. In the year to July 2022, the average wait time on the PI line was 17 minutes - this is an increase of 11 minutes 57 seconds when compared to the baseline year the 12 months to July 2020. Unsurprisingly, fewer calls have been received in the latest period, fewer answered and a higher abandonment rate is evident.

Waste: Starting on Monday 3rd October for three weeks, a Waste Composition Analysis of residual waste bins is underway across the county. 1,800 residual bins will be examined and will give an indication of which materials are in them. A similar project was carried out some 7/8 years ago with some enlightening and surprising results.

Recycling Rates 21/22 Devon County Council has retained its place as 2nd highest performing Waste Disposal Authority [WDA] in the country at 55.3% Covid

As the weather cools down, COVID is heating up. Over the past three weeks those patients in our local hospitals [Derriford, RD&E, Torbay, and North Devon] diagnosed with COVID, numbers have moved up steadily from 51 to 138 to 185 so we are in a changeable position, thankfully we have not seen a corresponding rise of patients in Intensive Care with, just 2 on mechanical ventilation.

District Councillor Beryl Austen

The Boundary Commission for England is redrawing Boundaries in order to rebalance the number of electors represented by each MP. Consultations are now being held. This usually results in local wards also being reshaped in view of the amount of new housing in local communities and, because of the large amount of new housing in our District, it is likely that once again our wards will be changed. Hoping it will not mean changes to Ideford.

The local Royal British Legion is offering financial help to members of the armed forces Particulars on their website.

The Councillors Community Fund is still available to Councillors for help with projects being organised by their wards. Funding still available if needed.

The Teignbridge Lottery started this week. Each ticket has a 1 in 50 chance of a prize with a top prize of £25,000. The first draw will be on December 3rd. 50p from each ticket will go to good causes and 10p will be placed in a fund to distribute to local projects at the end of each year.

Teignbridge recognises the need for a new look at the whole budgeting system due to changes in funding nationally and locally. Changes have been made to disabled parking concessions and other parking charges increased. More changes unfortunately to come.

Meetings of the District are still being held away from Ford House due to the continuing work on the premises to make those carbon free. However, there seems to be a new look to meetings and the Council does not have these as often as was customary before the lockdown was introduced. Frequently those due to take place are cancelled. One wonders also, with so many staff working from home, if it will ever go back to its original form. The current system has revealed savings in costs of travel and office expenses.

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the village hall on 10th November 2022 at 7pm

Present: Cllr David Fox - Chair
Cllr A Carter-Woodwork
Cllr H Bellamy
Cllr M Crispin

Cllr J Gardner
Cllr T Hill
Cllr M Batting

In Attendance: Mrs J Thompson - Clerk
Eight members of the public

<u>Item</u>	<u>Discussion and Decision</u>
087/22	PART ONE (OPEN TO PUBLIC AND PRESS) WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE The Chairman opened the meeting at 7pm. Apologies were received from Cllr R Peart, Cllr B Austen, PC Orchard and PCSO Bunce.
088/22	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING It was proposed by Cllr A Carter-Woodwork, seconded by Cllr J Gardner and agreed by all to accept the minutes of the meeting of Thursday 13 th October 2022 as a true and accurate record.
089/22	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS None
090/22	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION The applicant for planning applications 22/01890/CLDE and 22/01891/CLDE explained that they were not on the planning portal and should not have been placed on the agenda.
091/22	REPORTS County Councillor Ron Peart Police: We have a new Chief Constable. The Police & Crime Panel endorsed the appointment of DCC Will Kerr OBE. He is currently Deputy Chief Constable for Police Scotland. A very experienced officer, before Scotland he held senior appointments in the Police Service of Northern Ireland and the National Crime Agency. Hate Crime- 2,564 hate crimes were recorded in the 12 months to June 2022. This is a 46% increase [+800] when compared to the baseline year, the 12 months to June 2019. Despite the observed increase, it is difficult to make objective inferences about performance based on increase, or decreases in hate crime-victims may be more confident to report to the police. Conversely, the trend could also be interpreted as negative because it could be reflective of a 'real' increase in victimisation. 44% of all hate crimes were public order related and these were predominantly racially or religiously aggravated

Sustainable Ideford:

D is for Driving

Living in a village with no public transport, we inevitably cause significant carbon dioxide emissions through driving. Action on Climate in Teignbridge (ACT) is an organisation set up to help Teignbridge Council follow through on its Climate Emergency Declaration, and estimates that 11% of Ideford emissions are from this source. So what can we do to reduce them?

Gradually, we will all have to get used to electric cars – in seven years time, no new petrol or diesel cars will be on the market. Several Ideford residents have gone electric: the experience of two of our group are described on page 10. We'd be interested to hear how other EV drivers have got on – tell us via Facebook or in the next issue of the News.

There was a time when the Government provided a discount on buying an EV and a grant to fit a fast-charger at home (you can use a normal 13 amp socket, but it's slower). Sadly, these subsidies have mostly been withdrawn, but it's worth watching out for new ones.

If you're not ready to make the leap to electric yet, are there other ways to cut your driving emissions, and save money on fuel? Driving style can make quite a difference: much less petrol is used coming up Telegraph Hill at 40 mph than at 60. Driving more smoothly, with less severe braking and acceleration certainly helps, as does keeping your tyres at the right pressure. It's estimated that having tyres at 28psi when they should be at 35 will increase fuel consumption by 4%, equivalent to a price increase of 6p a litre. There's further advice on this website: energysavingtrust.org.uk/advice/efficient-driving

Finally, there's the old wartime slogan "Is your journey really necessary?" We suggest the following ways to reduce car journeys:

- try not to go out in the car unless there are two or three things you can do in one trip (not always practical).
- share a car if you know someone else is going to the same meeting or event; could we turn this into a more formal Ideford Car-Sharing scheme?
- could we set up an easy way of checking with neighbours if they need anything when we are doing a supermarket shop?

Let us know your views on these suggestions, either on Facebook (Ideford Village Life), or by email to Robin at grandvizier51@gmail.com.

Two Ideford residents share their experience of low-emission cars

We have driven a Prius hybrid for many years and now have an all-electric car as well, a ten-year-old Nissan Leaf.

After making the initial investment, we have saved a great deal of money. Before the price of electricity spiked, the Leaf was costing about 4p a mile, compared to about 12p for a petrol car doing 50 miles to the gallon. It also has low servicing costs – no exhaust replacement or oil change – and the battery is still as good as when we bought it. Even at current fuel prices (hopefully temporary) the Leaf costs about 8.5p a mile, compared to 15p for petrol. Because this is an old model, it only has a range of 70 miles, so we just use it for short journeys. New electric cars, even small ones, have a range of 200 miles and more.

The hybrid is the plug-in type. This means that you can charge it at home and get about 30 miles on the battery alone – great for shopping trips – but on a long journey the car switches to hybrid mode, which gives us about 70 mpg and a range of 600 miles. Since we bought the car, we have done about 50,000 miles at 100 mpg (not counting the electricity used when we plug in at home). We are enthusiastic about electric vehicles!

Veronica and Robin.



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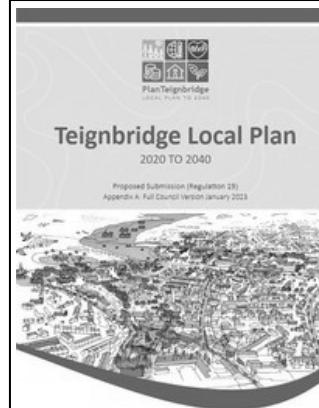
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Residents have seven weeks to comment for the fifth and last time on Teignbridge's draft Local Plan which will shape future development in the district until 2040.

The launch of the consultation, which runs until midday on Monday 13 March, concludes a local engagement process that began in 2017 and has resulted in the latest version of the Plan being influenced by the 7,000 plus comments submitted in the previous four consultations.

Once the consultation ends, the draft Plan and all comments received will be submitted for examination in public by the planning inspectorate. Anyone who submits a written objection will have a legal right to appear before and be heard by the Inspector at the Local Plan Examination Hearing.

Throughout the seven-week consultation, copies of the Local Plan documentation - including a summary Need to Know guide - will be available in libraries, town and parish council offices, Forde House and on the Teignbridge website.

Residents are encouraged to submit responses online using the feedback response form at www.teignbridge.gov.uk/lpconsultation. Alternatively, residents can write to Local Plan Review, Spatial Planning and Delivery, Forde House, Newton Abbot, TQ12 4XX or email localplanreview@teignbridge.gov.uk.

Ring for the King

Throughout the country plans are being made to 'Ring for the King' at the Coronation of King Charles III on 6th May 2023.

For hundreds of years, church bells have rung out, not only to call communities to worship, but also to celebrate special occasions, in remembrance of others and to signify special events. In June 2022 we celebrated Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee with the sound of bells. Our village bells also rang with a muffled sound as a mark of respect at her passing in September 2022.

We plan to 'Ring for the King' here in Ideford on May 6th, so if you are a bell ringer and would like to join us, or you would like to learn, please contact David Aylmore on 01626 852259. We practice on Thursday evenings, and even provide tea/coffee and biscuits!