

# Parish Council Report – May 2024

## EAST BUDLEIGH COMMUNITY SHOP

New suppliers, Butchers@Topsham, are delivering a selection of meat and pasties and a new range of pastries. Westcountry, the milk suppliers, are now providing daily deliveries of fruit and veg with reduced packaging. Customers can also order what they want for the next day.

## CLIMATE EMERGENCY NEWS, GREEN SPACES & RECREATION GROUND

For up-to-date news from the whole of Devon, the website at [devonclimateemergency@public.govdelivery.com](mailto:devonclimateemergency@public.govdelivery.com) has a great deal of information on local initiatives.. This month they are featuring news about repair cafes – which can be found in Exmouth and Sidmouth. Other news items cover Devon’s first Tree and Woodland Strategy, and DCC grants available for tree planting – supported by The Woodland Trust and The Forestry Commission.

I have continued with maintenance at The Pound whilst trying to preserve our wild planting, and have cleared the sign and carried out some pruning along the Nature Trail.

At the War Memorial hedges and grass are growing rather quickly, and I have started to plant out the summer bedding – it’s good planting weather, so hope they will establish quickly after all the cold weather!

I have carried out regular scrutiny of the Recreation Ground – no litter problems, and just one discovery of not picking up after a dog. Mind you, I have picked up on three occasions around the village in the last month, a shame when the majority of dog owners are so careful.

I have removed a Buddleia plant from the Telephone Box after managing to free the door, and swept out the spider population.

## EMERGENCY RESILIENCE

It’s good to report that once again, we have not had any flooding incidents despite so much rain! Keeping drains clear does make a difference. Our cones and sandbags have been useful at village events.

*Cllr. John Tresidder.*