

Parish Council Report JT – July 2024

EAST BUDLEIGH COMMUNITY SHOP

The shop is continuing to campaign to increase footfall and takings. Overheads are high and equipment replacements are expensive. The shop is promoting the Loyalty Card schemes, which give an unbeatable discount. There is a lot of work going on sourcing reliable suppliers at reasonable prices.

CLIMATE EMERGENCY NEWS, GREEN SPACES & RECREATION GROUND

For up-to-date news about climate change across Devon, the website at devonclimateemergency@public.govdelivery.com has a great deal of information on local initiatives.. This month they are highlighting the National Take the Bus Campaign, and giving information about the Wild About Devon Grant Scheme to fund communities for initiatives to support local wildlife and biodiversity.

I have mowed and strimmed at The Pound, and our patches of wild flowers are thriving in the wet weather.

At the War Memorial the summer bedding was somewhat disrupted by a mole invasion and I have had to replace a number of plants which didn't survive! At least we know wildlife is thriving there!

I have made regular tours around the Recreation Ground – no current litter problems, and no dog mistakes so far.

EMERGENCY RESILIENCE

I have unblocked a number of drains during our recent summer deluges! Thankfully no flooding incidents to report this month.

The Government have launched a new website at [gov.uk/prepare](https://www.gov.uk/prepare) which promotes really useful advice on how to prepare homes and families for emergencies like flooding, fires, and power cuts. There is a guide on how to sign up to the Priority Service Register and a very useful section on compiling a Household Emergency plan. In addition there are links to sign up to local flood and weather warnings. Well worth a look!

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