

# Dunchideock Parish Council

## NEWSLETTER

October 2018

### *Welcome to our new Parish Clerk*

We would like to welcome our new Parish Clerk, Sara Westcott who is taking a handover from our locum Clerk Carol Retallick. She is new to this role and we will provide training and support for her. Having been brought up in the Teign valley, Sara has lived in our parish for the last 12 years, so she has a good understanding of our community. This has traditionally been a 'hard to fill post'. We received 4 applications and invited 2 candidates to attend a structured interview process. Well done Sara and we will look forward to working with you.

### *Rural Skip Service*

This facility is coming to the village at 9.30am - Noon on Saturday 3rd November. It will be sited as usual at the bottom of School Lane in the yard opposite Riverside cottage. Our thanks to Cllr Ellis for again making his yard available for us to use.

### *Parish noticeboards*

Do you value the Parish Council noticeboards? Cllr Stephen Moor is leading a review of this facility. We have a legal obligation to publish documents such as agendas, minutes, financial information which we do on our website and for inclusivity also publish on our noticeboards. We have limited space on our boards and there is little opportunity for the community to use them. We could reduce to one board and if so which one? We could donate the other boards to the community for free use or we could sustain the existing provision. If you have a view please contact Cllr Moor on 01392 832697 or email [stephenmoor@hotmail.com](mailto:stephenmoor@hotmail.com)

### *Defibrillators*

Unfortunately, our bid to the National Lottery for funding has been turned down. We have a number of other funding options to explore to enable us to provide this life saving equipment and will keep you updated.

### *Warning Sign for the Quarry*

The landowner has erected a warning sign for vehicles coming down the hill approaching the quarry entrance in response to community concerns about safety of road users.

### *Lime tree - jct with School Lane*

This magnificent lime tree was planted by the parish, in 1897 to commemorate Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. The tree is now reaching the end of its life; it has a great deal of deep rot at its base and a significant amount of dead wood in its crown. This has been confirmed in a report commissioned by the Parish Council. DCC have confirmed that we have responsibility. Regrettably, due to concerns for public safety we have instructed a contractor to fell it as soon as practically possible.

### *Our Next Meeting*

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 20th November. at 7:30pm in the village hall. Please come along and join us.

**Find out about the Parish Council, what's on and more. Visit [www.dunchideock.org.uk](http://www.dunchideock.org.uk)**

**We have a team of 7 motivated and enthusiastic councillors working for you. Please come along to our meetings and have your say**

### **Is there something we can help with?**

Please feel free to contact any of your councillors to ask for our help. You can also contact the Parish Clerk by emailing [parishclerk@dunchideock.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@dunchideock.org.uk). or feel free to telephone our Chairman Sarah Sharpe on 01392 811614 or email [lowerhorrels@gmail.com](mailto:lowerhorrels@gmail.com)