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All contributions to be in by NO LATER THAN the 16th of each month please.  
Many thanks

## **Welcome to the October Flyer**

As has been the case during the last few months we will be publishing the Flyer on the Farringdon Web and Facebook pages during the current Coronavirus restrictions.

Unfortunately the recent settled and warm weather has broken today and it looks like rain for several days in a row.

Despite the present situation we are still able to have a harvest festival service in church but unfortunately no supper or auction.

The harvest in my garden consists of a real glut of apples similar to the ones on the cover which I understand is partly due to the weather earlier in the year.

### **APPLES**

by Helen H. Moore

Apples, apples, what a treat,  
sweet and tart and good to eat.  
Apples green and apples red,  
hang from branches overhead,  
and when they ripen, down they drop,  
so we can taste our apple crop.

## **FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETINGS SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO COVID-19**

Dear Parishioners

In response to the Covid-19 outbreak in the UK and in the event that it is not possible to convene a meeting of the council in a reasonable time all planning applications will be emailed to Parish Councilors within 72 hours of receipt. The clerk will gather Councilors comments by email and share an agreed response which will be sent to EDDC planning within the planning deadline date.

Any comments can be emailed to the Parish Clerk who will forward these to parish councilors for consideration. This is to enable council business to continue. Any decisions taken during this period are to be formally approved at the first council meeting following the emergency measures. The Parish Council will also be working closely with District Councilors and EDDC to ensure best practice in these difficult circumstances.

If you do not have access to the internet the Royal Mail postal service is continuing to operate.

Take care and stay safe  
Farringdon Parish Council

Parish Clerk Details

Email: [clerkfarringdonparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:clerkfarringdonparishcouncil@gmail.com)

Tel 01395 232439

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### **FARRINGDON RINGMASTER and FACEBOOK**

For those of you not aware who have computers, the ringmaster is a way of informing residents of important events. To be added to the circulation list please send an email to Nigel Dutt at the address below.

[farringdon.ringmaster@hotmail.com](mailto:farringdon.ringmaster@hotmail.com)

There is also a **Farringdon Parish** Facebook group for those currently residing in the Parish

### **REPORTING BAD SMELLS AND ODOURS**

If you are concerned about 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 \_email [ics@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:ics@environment-agency.gov.uk)

- 1) name, address, or post code or phone contact#
- 2) where suspected smell is coming from
- 3) when smell first noticed
- 4) rate odour 1 (low) - 6 (high)
- 5) weather conditions (if known)
- 6) if residence, can you smell odour from inside the house with windows opened, with Windows closed.

### **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 : 0345 155 1004

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/>

### **COME AND JOIN FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL**

One of our members has left the Parish Council and we are looking for a resident to take his place. It is essential that we keep the number of Councillors up to 5. Parish Council meetings are light-hearted and are essential to keep the parish represented and well maintained. It is not a time-consuming job but satisfying and important; just one meeting a month involving planning applications, and issues local to the parish

### **WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN OUR FRIENDLY TEAM?**

We need a vibrant Parish Council otherwise there is a strong chance that Farringdon will lose its identity and have to merge with an adjacent parish. Can you help us to stop this happening? We need enthusiastic residents to help Farringdon maintain its independence.

Can you help? Change happens – come along and be part of our change! For further details or to become involved please ring the Parish Clerk

Alana Sayers 01395 232439 or

email : [clerkfarringdonparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:clerkfarringdonparishcouncil@gmail.com)

### **Village Hall News**

Village Halls can now be opened depending on how the latest government requirements can be met. If you wish to hire the hall please give me a ring on **01395 232459** to discuss your situation.

Jurassic Fibre have kindly installed WIFI at the Village Hall at no extra cost to the Hall which is available for use.

David Cowler

## CITIZENS ADVICE EAST DEVON – HERE FOR YOU IN YOUR TIME OF NEED

Do you have a question about what help is available to you right now?

While our offices are closed our Staff and Volunteers are working from home to make sure everyone can get the help and information they need. We can offer advice via email, over the telephone via a call-back system, and through our Adviceline national service.

### How to contact us:



If you would like to contact us via email,  
please use this address:  
**enquiries@citizensadviceeastdevon.org**

You can also access resources online  
through our national website  
**www.citizensadvice.org.uk**

To talk to a local Advisor, please ring  
**01395 265070** or **01404 42227**.

You will be asked to leave your contact  
details and one of our Advisors will  
contact you as soon as possible.

You can also ring our national Adviceline  
number on **03444 111 444**



## THE VICAR WRITES...



This month I am indebted to the following article in the Church Times; written by Karen Gibson, the founder and director of the Kingdom Choir, which performed at the wedding of the Duke and Duchess of Sussex [for more, see the below link: <https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2020/31-july/regulars/podcast/podcast-karen-gibson-on-her-mothers-experience-of-discrimination-and-an-apology-which-brought-healing> ].

As I am not sure about the copyright issues; I will paraphrase the moving story in my own words; but do look up the podcast if you choose. You may also be able to find the original article on the net. My apologies to those who heard me preach on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>. September in either Farringdon, or by “Zoom”, when I used these words too.

The story is told by Karen, the daughter of a black woman from Guyana, presumably of the Windrush generation. She was an Anglican in Guyana, and so naturally sought to find a Church of England local to her when she was encouraged to move to this country. She found one, attended a few times and then, after the service the vicar '*extended his hand to shake hers and said: “Thanks for coming, but don't come back, please.”*'

Sadly that is not the only time I have heard of this happening – what a comment upon Anglicanism. The daughter further accurately writes:

*'It was a slap in the face to have been invited to the country to work, only to find ignorance and*



*discrimination in all areas of society, and, further, to be so casually dismissed from the one place in which she should have found refuge'.*

Unsurprisingly this story becomes part of the family history “lore”; but the story continues years later. Karen, the daughter, travels around to various churches, often taking her mother with her. One Sunday, she feels impelled to take her mother inside a church; they go in and her mother *'casually informed [her] that this was the church that she had visited and had been banned from all those years ago'.*

The daughter is amazed; never before has her mother said where the church was.

They go inside and, thank goodness, thank God, are greeted in a most friendly fashion by a trendy female vicar casually dressed (at least there we have a point of contact!) What happens next is amazing: back to Karen's words again:

*'With a rare sensitivity and genuine interest, she asked: “And how was your experience — was it a good one?”*

*I looked at Mum, who said nothing, but simply bowed her head with a wry smile. The Vicar then turned to me with wide, enquiring eyes and a quickly reddening face, and queried: “Really? Is that what’s going on here?”*

Nothing was said and then suddenly *'this wonderful, love-filled woman dropped to her knees in front of Mum, and, with heartfelt repentance, poured out the most impassioned apology. I was stunned. Mum simply smiled her forgiveness back [and ...] responded with “It’s all right. That’s life.”'*

When I retold this story in Farringdon, my voiced choked up at the words *'smiled her forgiveness back'*. I then used the opportunity to talk about forgiving not just 7 times, nor even 70 times 7 but myriads of times. But this article is not only about forgiving, it is about confessing.

Our Diocesan Bishop has written to all clergy pointing out the need to educate people about the legacy of the slave trade here in Britain. He says this:

*'To achieve political agreement in favour of abolition, the British Government had to provide £20 million (equivalent to almost £2 billion today) in compensation, to be shared out among British slave-owners. ... to compound injustice, the enslaved themselves received no compensation for their stolen labour and suffering.*

*The Government did not have the £20 million [... so had to ...] borrow £15 million from bankers. This loan was only finally paid off in 2015. British taxpayers, including (to our shame) members of the Windrush Generation, who were descendants of the enslaved and whose degrading treatment we are only now beginning to acknowledge, have been paying interest on that loan all these years'.*

Not for the first time, do we appear to have everything the wrong way around.

My story finishes with a community gospel concert, where the “trendy” vicar again kneels, in public, and apologises, and through this public act, *“heals the wounds of a community”.*

Karen concludes:

*Such a gift! What a precious moment! Who would have thought that, 50-odd years later, in the 70th year of the Windrush, reconciliation and healing could be found through the love and conscience of a woman who had not been born when the offence had been committed, but who cared enough for an old woman she had never met to embrace her on bended knee.*

May we be inspired by the wonderful women in this story, and may we challenge injustice wherever we find it. Amen.

Bill Lemmey

[revbillwhitecross@gmail.com](mailto:revbillwhitecross@gmail.com)

## Church Services in the White Cross Mission Community for October

Sunday October 4th			
9.30am	Woodbury Salterton	Harvest Holy Communion	Rev Margaret Scrivener
11.15am	Aylesbeare	Morning Worship	Rev Bill
9.30am	Clyst St Mary	Harvest Holy Communion	Rev Bill
11.15am	Woodbury	Harvest Holy Communion	Rev David Ireson
6.30pm	Exton	Harvest Evening Worship	Christine Grist
12.30am	Woodbury	Baptism	Rev Bill
11.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer	Carolyn Keep
Sunday October 11 <sup>th</sup> Safeguarding Day			
9.30am	Exton	Holy Communion	Rev Margaret Scrivener
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Farringdon</b>	<b>Harvest Holy Communion</b>	<b>Rev Bill</b>
9.30am	Clyst St George	Morning Worship	Lay Led
11.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer	Rev Bill
Sunday October 18th			
9.30am	Clyst St Mary	All age Service	Linda Beatie
9.30am	Aylesbeare	Holy Communion	Rev Bill
9.30am	Woodbury Salterton	Family Service	Lay Led
6.30pm	Woodbury	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Rev Bill
11.30am	Zoom	Morning Prayer	Rev Bill
Sunday October 25 <sup>th</sup>			
9.30am	Woodbury	All age Worship	TBA
9.30am	Clyst St George	Holy Communion	Rev Bill
<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Farringdon</b>	<b>Evening Worship</b>	<b>Christine Grist</b>
11.30	Zoom	Morning Prayer	Rev Bill

In addition to the normal services, at 11.30 am every Sunday there will be a Zoom service for those who prefer not to travel to church or feel more comfortable at home at the moment or would just like to join us. Please email Jill Dupain (Church Admin Officer) who will send you a link for these Zoom services (and advice if anyone needs it on how to access Zoom)

Just email her as she needs your email address for the link. Email address [dupain@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:dupain@hotmail.co.uk).

These churches in the White Cross Community are also opening weekly for private prayer:

MONDAYS Woodbury Salterton 3 – 6 pm  
 TUESDAYS All closed  
 WEDNESDAYS Woodbury 10 – 1 pm  
 THURSDAYS Farringdon 2 – 6 pm  
 FRIDAYS Clyst St George 4 – 7 pm  
 SATURDAYS Clyst St Mary 10 – 1 pm  
 SUNDAYS Exton 2 – 5 pm



Please note that Farringdon Church will not be open on the Thursday before a church service the following Sunday morning. ie Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October.

### SERVICE OF HARVEST THANKSGIVING AT FARRINGDON CHURCH OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup> AT 9.30 AM

Sadly this year due to the Covid restrictions we are not able to have our normal Harvest Supper and auction, so it has been decided to have our Harvest Thanksgiving in the morning during the Holy Communion service.

**There will be a collection in aid of Exeter Food Bank**

We look forward to seeing you there. All necessary precautions will be in place. Please wear your face mask.

*Any baptisms, marriages, funeral services or hospital visits may be arranged by contacting*

*the Church Admin Officer Jill Dupain [dupain@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:dupain@hotmail.co.uk) or  
 the Church Warden Dawn Cowler on 01395 232249*

**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?**

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 assistance to children under the age of 25 years of age who live in Farringdon.

If you think we may be able to help, do telephone me for a chat to discuss your needs. Dawn – 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.

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### Would you like to reduce your fuel bills this winter?

DCT is once again pleased to be a delivery partner in the Big Energy Saving Network this year. As you can imagine, the support we're able to offer this year is slightly different as it will all be by phone or online, but we're just as committed to ensuring that we deliver as much important energy saving advice as possible over the next few months!

You can ...

- Arrange a one to one session by 'phone or Zoom with one of our fully trained Energy Saving Network Champions Aggie and Martin
- Arrange a one to one or group session by 'phone or Zoom for someone you know or a group that would benefit
- Join a FREE energy saving advice session!\* In these sessions we will cover; tariff options and what is best for different circumstances, how to switch tariff or supplier, other available sources of support, and we will finish with Q&A.

**CALL US TODAY ON 01392 248919 OR EMAIL [info@devoncommunities.org.uk](mailto:info@devoncommunities.org.uk) TO BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT**

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## walk 4 life

"Walk This Way" is an accredited scheme that was introduced in East Devon to encourage people of all ages, including those with health and mobility problems, and those recovering from illness to walk for their health.

The health walks are led by qualified volunteer walk leaders who have undergone the national 'Walking the Way to Health' training, as well as training in first aid and resuscitation. Health walks are available in your area on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. For more information please contact Andrew Dare on 01404 814317

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