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- 16.1. **20220113 Woodland Creation Project Consultation - Harberton For consideration** For the Parish Council to consider approval of a woodland creation project near Harberton as part of the Forestry Commission Grant process.
- 16.2. **20220118 Various: Waste, Bus Shelter, Abandoned Vehicle Bus Turning Circle Sign For consideration** Cllrs are informed of correspondence with a Harberton resident raising a number of issues in Harberton. 1. Asking if all residents will be receiving the new recycling bins soon 2. Noting the broken slat in the bus shelter 3. Reporting an abandoned white van between close to the bus shelter 4. Seeking an update on any action taken in response to a previous letter about parking in Harberton within the bus turning circle. The clerk had replied to the resident with updates and to advise that the matter of repainting the single line within the bus turning circle was raised with Highways who had responded that it was assumed that the signs and lines in place were an attempt to try and ensure the site was clear of parked vehicles as much as possible without the need for an official restriction, commenting that the only way to officially restrict parking is to use either a single or double yellow lines. As the Parish Council had not taken this further the resident suggested that the way forward is to change the sign to highlight the bus times and request the area kept free of cars, for example before 4:30pm.
- 16.3. **20220124 An opportunity to end off-roading on green lanes For consideration** Cllrs are advised of the Government's consultation into the Glover review and proposals for improving national parks and areas of outstanding natural beauty (protected landscapes) in England. Correspondence from the Green Lanes Environmental Action Movement (GLEAM) notes that the consultation is also asking the public for their views on ways to reduce the recreational use of off-road motor vehicles on green lanes (unsealed routes), in protected landscapes and elsewhere and proposes to give national park authorities and highway authorities additional powers to restrict recreational motor vehicle use on green lanes. The campaign seeks to encourage everyone who would like to see an end to off-roading to take part.
- 16.4. **20220124 Parked Van For information** Cllrs are informed that a resident has written to the clerk to report that a white van has been parked on Vicarage Ball for over 3 months, citing a 72 hour rule for removal of parked vehicles. The Clerk has not been able to confirm if there is a time limit for removal of a vehicle in the UK and the vehicle is taxed and has an MOT, but as it is suspected as being abandoned, the Clerk has reported it to South Hams District Council.
- 16.5. **20220124 SWW to lower water pressure in Harberton with mains pressure reducing valve For information.** Cllrs are informed that a resident has forwarded his correspondence with South West Water (SWW) noting that as a result of his concern about the impact of high water pressures in the village, the SWW Networks Team have reviewed this particular issue and believe that there is scope to reduce the pressure to this part of the network will install a Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) on the incoming main to Harberton to do this. A scheme will be designed and entered into the planned programme of work, likely commencing in June/July of 2022.
- 16.6. **20220126 You are invited to our free online event to hear about the CSPs work For consideration** Cllrs are informed of an invitation to attend a Forum event with The South Devon and Dartmoor Community Safety Partnership made up of statutory partners who work together to reduce crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour. The event will be online between 9:15am – 1pm on 23rd March from 9.15 to 13.00 and will cover topics including changes in youth culture, domestic abuse, preventing exploitation, anti-social behaviour and the Turning Corners Programme.
- 16.7. **20220126 Tackle climate change at a local level For consideration** Cllrs are informed of the opportunity to attend a virtual event hosted by the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC) Wednesday 23 March, 10am - 4pm that will cover The new Town and Parish Councils Carbon Literacy Toolkit; Combating single use plastic in your community; Tackling your biggest emission sources; Barriers to implement change in your community. The event costs £45 + VAT for members or £90 + VAT for non-members.
- 16.8. **20220202 Emergency Tree Fund Offer & Resources for Planting For consideration** Cllrs are informed that following the Parish Council's response to the 'Parish and Town Council Planting Interest' survey Devon County Council is seeking to identify a select number of parish and town councils interested in significant tree planting; these planting sites will then serve as a practical exhibition of what can be done following the right guidance and seeking the right funding. Parish Councils are required to commit to annual monitoring of the trees for 5 years to support maintenance, that 85% of trees will remain in place for 15 years, that planting must be supported by some kind of community engagement and that the council provides Devon County Council with a simple record and photographs of the project.