

# **PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – September 2023**



## **EAST BUDLEIGH COMMUNITY SHOP**

The shop is under a lot of pressure from rising overheads and price increases. Energy bills have risen from £400 a month to £1,200 a month. A great deal of work is being undertaken to find alternative stock lines and changing suppliers to offset price increases and minimize the impact on essentials.

## **GREEN SPACES**

The Pound is looking neat after mowing and strimming, while preserving the wild flower (and nettle) bed and fringes for promoting insect life.

The War Memorial is looking a bit straggly now after such varied weather, and it is nearly time to change the bedding over so that it looks good for November. Planting of pansies and violas is planned as this has worked well in previous years. Unfortunately Alan Murdoch is no longer able to help with plant supply as he has done for many years, but I can get the necessary plants from Plants Galore for around £50?

## **CLIMATE EMERGENCY NEWS**

The Devon Climate Emergency website at [devonclimateemergency@public.govdelivery.com](mailto:devonclimateemergency@public.govdelivery.com) has up to date information on local initiatives. I will be attending a webinar next month looking at funding options and EV infrastructure for local authorities.

## **EMERGENCY RESILIENCE**

With Autumn approaching, filled sand bags are available outside the flood store by the Community Shop if needed, and we have a good stock of in-date supplies.

We are circulating information on flash flooding risks, with an article in the next parish magazine, and providing a poster and leaflets in the Village Information point.

*Cllr. John Tresidder.*