Parish Council Report – April 2024

EAST BUDLEIGH COMMUNITY SHOP

The popular local butcher, Arthur's sadly ceased trading, but have now reopened as Butchers@Topsham and are supplying the shop again with a great range of meat and pasties etc.

The shop also lost Fresh and Local fruit and veg supplies, but now have an excellent range from Westcountry, their milk suppliers. Deliveries are now daily, and customers can order what they want for the next day. The new supplier has also enabled a drastic reduction in plastic packaging!

CLIMATE EMERGENCY NEWS & GREEN SPACES

For up-to-date news from the whole of Devon, the website at devonclimateemergency@public.govdelivery.com has good information on local initiatives.. This month they are featuring news about the Local Authority Treescapes Fund planting over 12,000 trees in Devon, maintenance of the South West Coast Path, and SouthWest Water work to deal with leakage.

I have continued with strimming at The Pound and will be mowing if we get a dry spell! Maintenance has continued at War Memorial, and I have planted out two new Cordylines, and have some Fuschia plants that will be added soon. The Pansies have not done very well in the constant wet weather, but I will be getting summer bedding plants in the next month. There would be a cost to the Council of around £50 if approved.

EMERGENCY RESILIENCE

Surprisingly we have not had any flooding incidents reported despite the constant rain! I have continued to keep drains clear, which really does make a difference. As ever, sandbags are still available should the need arise!

Cllr. John Tresidder.