

DIPTFORD AND NORTH HUISH

PARISH NEWS

NOVEMBER 2024

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If you know anyone who would like to receive the Parish News – contact
Val Haddy 01548 821418 or email valjohnhaddy@aol.com

There are many new residents within Diptford Parish – who are all welcome to join the
mailing list for the Parish News – find out what is going on in the village and come and join
in this vibrant community

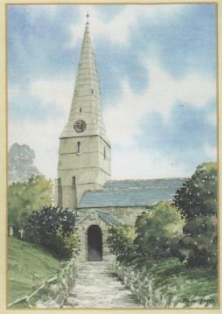
CHURCH SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

Three Rivers Mission Community Services November 2024

Date & Liturgical Colour	03.11.2024 All SAINTS SUNDAY	10.11.2024 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	17.11.2024 2nd before Advent	24.11.2024 CHRIST THE KING
	Isaiah 25. 6-9 Psalm 24.1-6 Revelation 21. 1-6a John 11. 32-44	John 14: 27, James 3: 17-18 & 1 John 1: 5 OR Matthew 5: 1-12	Daniel 12. 1-3 Psalm 16 Hebrews 10. 11-14 [15-18] 19-25 Mark 13. 1-8	Daniel 7. 9-10 & 13-14 Ps. 93 Revelation 1. 4b-8 John 18. 33-37
Diptford with North Huish	11am Morning Prayer 4.30pm Brick Church	10.50 am Service of Remembrance	11am Morning Prayer	11am Holy Communion
Ermington	11am Holy Communion	10.50am Service of Remembrance	11am Holy Communion	11am Family Service
Harberton	9:30am Holy Communion	9.30am Service of Remembrance	9:30am Holy Communion	9:30am Morning Prayer
Ugborough	9:30am Morning Prayer	9:30am Holy Communion 10.50am Act of Remembrance	9:30am Morning Praise	9:30 Holy Communion 4.30pm Messy Church
Halwell	As above	10.50am Act of Remembrance	As below	As below
Moreleigh	As above	As above	As below	3.30pm Holy Communion
Harbertonford	As above	10.50 Act of Remembrance	3:30pm Evening Service	As above

Further information can be found on the Mission Community website

www.3rivers.org.uk or at www.achurchnearyou.com/8942



DIPTFORD CHURCH CLEANING

Would you like to keep our lovely Church sparkly?

You will be very welcome to come along to

St Mary's Church, Diptford

Saturday 2 November and Saturday 7 December

From 9.30 am til 11 am

Steve Partridge is now organising our cleaning sessions

partridge.steve@btinternet.com

NORTH HUISH COMMUNITY GROUP



This group was set up in 2023 with the purpose of organising community events for the residents of North Huish and surrounding villages. The venue is St Mary's Church, North Huish, now closed for regular public worship but kept open to the public, providing a

meeting space for the local community. This beautiful Grade 1 listed building is in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust, a national charity protecting historic churches at risk.

Funds donated at events held there, help to support the cost of repair and maintenance which, in a typical year, can amount to nearly £2,000. Currently, there is a power supply but no electric circuit installed so, this year, a proportion of the funds raised are to be set aside to pay for the installation of electric sockets where they are most needed for safety and convenience when running events.

- Monday 11th November: **Armistice Day short Act of Remembrance, 10.50** in support of the Royal British legion. Coffee and biscuits served.
- Sunday 8th December: **Carols by Candlelight, 4.00pm**. Mulled wine and mince pies served.

The North Huish Community Group look forward to welcoming you at any of these events.

NOTICE OF CASUAL VACANCY FOR A PARISH COUNCILLOR DIPTFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Do you want to make a difference to our community?

Turn your ideas into actions to improve our local area?

If 'yes', why not become a Parish Councillor?

Diptford Parish Council currently has a vacancy for a Councillor. If you are interested please contact the Clerk in the first instance on

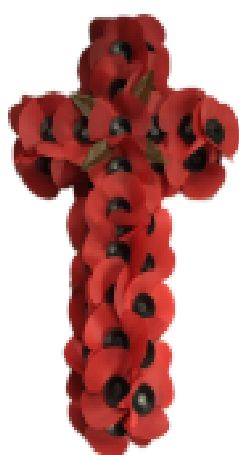
clerk@diptfordparishcouncil.org or on 07775611082.

You can also contact Cllr Sue Franklin, Chair of Diptford Parish Council on

sue.franklin@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Meetings are held monthly on the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm

Remembrance Sunday Service



St Mary the Virgin Church,
Diptford, TQ9 7NY

Sunday 10th November
at 10.50am

A cash collection will be taken for
the

Royal British Legion

All are welcome

Diptford Parish Council Ali Kohler, Parish Clerk
clerk@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Diptford Parish Council Notes on October Meeting

Easy Fundraising has now been set up to help with fundraising for the Amenity Trust. This is a registered charity number **Registered Charity Number 276979**

Easy Fundraising has now been set up to help with fundraising for the Amenity Trust.

If you are purchasing anything online sign into the Easy Fundraising website and then go to the website for the company, you wish to purchase from. It means that the Amenity Trust get a donation, but it does not cost you anything. This means we get a monetary donation every time you shop which can be for groceries delivered from all the big retailers or a one-off purchase from others.

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Currently we have 14 members using the Easy Fundraising Website, to date we have raised over £200.00. If anyone needs help, please contact me.

We can also accept one off donation direct to the Amenity Trust to help us with the fundraising for new play equipment. Any donations will be gratefully received and can be paid into the following bank account.

Account Name: **Diptford Amenity Trust** Sort Code: **30-98-69**

Account Number: **00196602**

Important – Please note

The Parish Council Councillors now have dedicated email addresses and if you wish to contact any of the Councillors directly, please use the email addresses listed below or alternatively contact the Parish Clerk on clerk@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr S Franklin (Chair) – sue.franklin@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr S Parker-Davidson (Vice Chair) – steven.parker.davidson@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr S Hill – steve.hill@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr C Peach – chris.peach@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr T Crocker – trevor.crocker@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr L Lethbridge – louise.lethbridge@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Cllr L Carrol – lucy.carrol@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Defibrillator Training – The date for this has been confirmed as **Thursday 7th November 2024** at 6.30pm in the Village Hall. If you are planning to attend, please drop an email to the Parish Clerk on clerk@diptfordparishcouncil.org

Amenity Trust/Playing Field – The Bamboo has been treated and is now dying off. The tree survey is being instructed as per our insurance requirements.

Graveyard – currently the mapping of the graves is ongoing. The Graveyard grass has been cut by South Hams District Council. If anyone has problems accessing any grave, please contact the church in the first instance.

The Parish Council would like to thank Cllr Jeremy Randall for his service to the Parish Council and have regretfully accepted his resignation.

The Parish Council now has a vacancy and any one interested be contact the Parish Clerk on clerk@diptfordparishcouncil.org or the Chair Sue Franklin on sue.franklin@diptfordparishcouncil.org for more information.

The Parish Council recognises the concerns of residents about speeding vehicles through the village and has requested a meeting with Nick Colton (DCC Highways) and DCC Cllr Dan Thomas to monitor the situation.

Councillor Dan Thomas (DCC)

To read the District Councillor's Report, please see the following:

See appendix 1 <https://www.diptfordparishcouncil.org/meetings.php>

Councillors David Hancock and Guy Pannell (SHDC)

To read the District Councillor's Report, please see the following:

See appendix 2 <https://www.diptfordparishcouncil.org/meetings.php>

Ali Kohler

Diptford Parish Clerk

Future Parish Council Meetings are scheduled for:-

12th November 24 at 7pm – Diptford Amenity Trust AGM followed immediately by

12th November 24 at 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting

10th December 24 at 7pm

Parishioners are welcome to attend Parish Council Meetings and have the opportunity to raise matters of concern by either attend the open forum at the start of meetings or by asking a Councillor to represent them. Parishioners are asked to limit their input to 4 minutes in order to permit the meeting to progress without undue delay, and may only speak during the open forum.



Diptford Short Mat Bowls Club

We meet every Wednesday 6.45-9.15.

Please do come along and give it a try we have spare bowls of various size and weight.

Outdoor shoes not allowed so stocking feet or spare pair of flat soled shoes please.

Its £3.00 per club night and £15.00 should you like it enough to join.

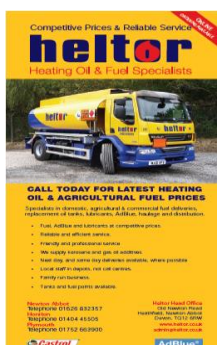
We have a lot of fun so do please come along.

We are in the South Hams League so compete from October to March.

We would love to see you. If you need further information, please contact Nancy

Team Captain 07730589469

DIPTFORD AREA OIL CO-OPERATIVE



Heltor in Newton Abbot are now our supplier of choice for the Oil Co-Operative and are proving to be reliable and better matching the original brief we had with Watsons. They are prepared to support the group need for regular top up or fixed amount deliveries at competitive pricing. Basically the arrangement we originally had with Watsons.

Also to support sporadic urgent requests that sometimes arise with group members, without ridiculous spot charges/prices.

Please see flyer attached or website www.heltor.co.uk for more details. I am monitoring and agree prices, as previously, to ensure we retain the lowest possible pricing.

If you are interested in joining the Diptford Oil Co-Operative

please contact Steve Hill on 01548 821272 or email mr.sjhill@yahoo.co.uk

NORTH HUISH COMMUNITY GROUP

Invite you to attend a short

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

On Armistice Day

Monday 11th Nov. 2024

In North Huish Church

Please arrive by 10.50

In support of the

Royal British Legion



FREE DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

IN THE PARISH HALL, DIPTFORD

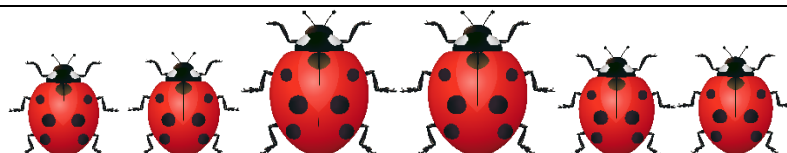
THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER

6.30PM IN THE PARISH HALL

IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND

PLEASE DROP AN EMAIL TO THE PARISH CLERK

ALI KOHLER ON clerk@diptfordparishcouncil.org



LADYBIRDS EVENTS FOR OCTOBER / NOVEMBER

ALL WELCOME – VISITORS £5

8 November - 2pm Xmas Craft Workshop at Springfield

11 November – A Lesson with Handbells

23 November 10.30 – 1 Advent Fayre as per above advertisement



QUIZ TEAMS



Miss Inga Brain



Noah Idea



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Don Key

FOR DIPTFORD ANNUAL QUIZ

FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2024

AT DIPTFORD PARISH HALL

7.15PM *PROMPT START*

TEAMS OF FOUR £6 ENTRY PER TEAM

***Please bring your own nibbles and drinks
and a prize for the raffle***

Contact: Rob on 01548 821141

Business adverts as in Page 12 will be considered by the Editorial Team and are charged at £50 per advert –

for 12 issues of the Parish News

If wishing to advertise please contact the Editor Val Haddy

valjohnhaddy@aol.com



South Brent and District Caring
presents their Winter

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10am - 1pm

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- ★ Christmas gift ideas
- ★ Prize Winning Raffle

The Old School Community Centre,
South Brent, TQ10 9BP
For a stall or more info: info@sbadc.org.uk



FRIENDS OF DIPTFORD SCHOOL

FODS are focused on ensuring all our Children are having an equitable and enriched experience at [Diptford C of E Primary School and Pre-School](#) and we could not achieve this without all the volunteers, wider community and everyone being so generous.

Here are some of the things we have funded for the Autumn term:

£900 for theatre trips

£260 for new playground equipment

£100 for the Hawks virtual Egypt experience at the British Museum - 16th November

£100 for Kingfishers, Rocks and Fossils and virtual Volcano workshop - 29th November

(Robins are still planning how they will use their £100)

We will be running a "Buy a Christmas Ball Ball" campaign in December as we refresh our successful 100 Ball lottery - so please watch this space



THE DIPTFORD GRUMBLER

Here again, with this month's outburst!

This month's grumble is about hospitals. Not that I am against hospitals per se, it is the layout or design of them that annoys as does the sheer cost of visiting them.

The entrance is now a shopping mall. Coffee shops, supermarkets, Smiths, restaurants, and gift shops. There are hundreds of people, like Oxford Street used be on Christmas Eve. Whole families out for an excursion, what are they all doing?

As ever, I arrive too early for my appointment so have a coffee.

I was a little surprised that Greggs ran the coffee shop. It is full of cakes, Chelsea buns, doughnuts, chocolate gateaux, cream fingers, iced sponges, and meringues. If that does not grab you there are sausage rolls, pasties, and pies. Not entirely designed for healthy eating I thought, but seemed to be doing a roaring trade so obviously has NHS approval judging by the vast number of staff eating and drinking there.

I got my coffee, a small americano and a packet of crisps (I didn't know what to reply to: "an' what you havin' wiv' that?"). Only £ 7.20! I asked for a receipt just to check I had not bought a round of drinks for everyone. Yes £ 4.80 for a small americano and £ 2.40 for a packet of crisps. Not helped by the person sitting next to me stating "You should have had takeaway much cheaper."

"But I was not taking it away."

"Nah! No-one does, look around, all takeaway cups."

He was correct.

Whilst musing on how the family opposite managed to afford their lunch, which I roughly calculated to come to over £50. I was taken by the noise level. I seem to recall hospitals being much like libraries with do not disturb signs or the must be obeyed "silence please." This was like a pub at closing time. With another half an hour to kill, I bought a newspaper and a bar of chocolate. Interestingly the paper was the same price as everywhere else, but the chocolate was not 90p but £ 1.30, a 44% increase. Why? One may pay more for the ambience in certain circumstances, but in a distinctly malodourous hospital?

Anyway, having struggled through the shopping precinct I now have to find the department where my appointment is. The hospital seemed to be designed by an architect who qualified at the Hampton Court maze. I could only conclude that if I managed to reach the department then clearly, I was A1 fit and could be immediately discharged.

Corridor, lift, corridor, stairs, another corridor, ask for directions, corridor. Wrong zone, back down the corridor, up another lift. Finally, "take a seat the consultant will be with shortly." No, he won't. "Afraid we are running late. "

I am not surprised you are running late; the staff must undergo a half marathon every time they have to reach the consulting rooms.

No wonder the NHS staff complain of exhaustion, they have spent most of their working hours walking up and down corridors. I guess they deserve a Gregg's cake or two at the end of the shift.

The appointment is now over, and I have spent four hours at the hospital, for a twenty-minute consultation. I nervously approached the car parking machine, keyed in my registration and a telephone number appeared. Oh, no it's not a telephone number, it is the cost of parking!

FIREWORKS



I have been asked to remind everyone in the village please to remember that we live in a rural area, with a lot of vulnerable animals around. Not only dogs and cats, but horses, sheep and cattle etc can all be frightened by fireworks.

There are laws in place limiting the use of fireworks but apart from those, please consider your neighbours and their animals all of whom may be more vulnerable than you may think.

Fireworks can be seriously disturbing to those with PTSD and Autism too.

Think before you buy - is it better to go to an organised display than have a limited number in your own garden? If you do, why not look for the less noisy ones which are available?

FIREWORKS CAN BE FUN FOR YOU, BUT NOT FOR ANIMALS

Every year, thousands of animals will suffer as a result of fireworks being let off. Animals have very acute hearing. Loud bangs and whistles may cause them actual pain in their ears. Fireworks must not be set off near livestock or horses in fields, or close to buildings housing livestock.

Anyone planning a firework display in a rural area should warn neighbouring farmers in advance.

The Laws concerning fireworks

- It is illegal for anyone under 18 to possess a firework in a public place
 - Fireworks cannot be set off by a private individual between 11pm and 7am except for certain nights of the year
 - It is an offence to cause any unnecessary suffering to any captive or domestic animal
- Added to this are the dangers of 'Chinese Lanterns' being released – the wind can take them considerable distances and, pretty though they undoubtedly are, there have been instances locally of their remains, still alight, landing on or near agricultural barns with the risk of fire. Animals can sometimes eat fallen parts, leading to internal bleeding and a painful death.

ENJOY YOUR FIREWORKS IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Sue Franklin

**The Avon Inn at Avonwick will again be holding their now regular Fireworks Evening
Fireworks at the Avon Inn will be on Saturday, November 2nd. The show will be big and
the best one ever, possibly the last one.**

Event by Avonwick Community Events



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SOCIAL MEDIA IN THE VILLAGE

We have our Village Website

www.diptfordvillage.co.uk

Parish Council website

www.diptfordparishcouncil.org

Village Hall Bookings

www.diptfordparishhall.org.uk

Facebook

Diptford Sustainable Community

WhatsApp

Diptford Support Network

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

DIPTFORD PARISH HALL

BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS

TO MAKE A BOOKING FOR DIPTFORD PARISH HALL

Diptford Parish Hall has launched a website!

www.diptfordparishhall.org.uk

It is brand new & will we expect have a few teething problems, but I would encourage you to take a look & take advantage of the online Calendar & Booking System.

Also, there is a facility to 'Add an Entry' if your group /organisation would like to add any local events or organisations.

Please feel free to share this amongst your groups & friends.

I hope you find the website useful & helpful in your interactions with the Hall.

Feedback welcomed.

Steve.

Chair of Trustees Diptford Parish Hall.

DiptfordPH@yahoo.com 07944 098174

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

THE NOTICE BOARD IN THE SQUARE IS FOR COMMUNITY NOTICES ONLY

NO COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING WILL BE ALLOWED

WE WOULD ASK ALL ORGANISATIONS NOT TO 'HOG' THE SPACE AVAILABLE

This additional facility has been installed by Diptford Parish Council
with funding from our County and District Councillors

There is a combination lock – details of which have been given to voluntary organisations within the village

Diptford Parish Lands Eleemosynary Charity

An independent charity

Do you know that there are funds available for people living in the parish of Diptford to access in times of need?

Confidentiality Guaranteed

Contact: Reverend David Sayle at parish_sayle@me.com

HIGHWAYS CONTACTS

To report any Highways problem, either report direct on Devon County Council website – devon.gov.uk (Report a Problem) or telephone the Call centre on 0345 155 1004

This applies to faulty streetlights, potholes and problems of visibility though landowners are encouraged to keep road signs on their land clearly visible and to cut roadside hedges on an annual basis out of the nesting season. There are exemptions from the timing if there are road safety issues.

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**PLEASE NOTE THAT all copy MUST be received before
the 25th of the preceding month**

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Contributions subject to change due to availability of space

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