

The Parish Paper

St Mary the Virgin, Payhembury

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Rectory Notes - Brown: the unsung hero

The colour-a-month theme of this column, for those who read it regularly, will end next month. But our penultimate colour is appropriately one that rarely pushes itself to the front of the queue, brown.

Our world is getting browner. The autumn world, that is. Trees are shading into brown, fallen leaves carpeting the ground brown. Any artist out and about will be reaching for their brown palette.

Brown can seem boring. Lacking the excitement of red and purple, the joy of yellow, or the calm of greens and blues, brown is like the unfortunate last child to be picked playing football. Yet nature loves it. It is the platform on which brighter things stand. Out of brown soil springs life in its technicolour wonder. Brown branches willingly say 'lean on me' to the leaves and to nesting birds. Brown is the unsung hero of nature.

It is therefore like many of us – even if we might not like to think about it that way! For it is unsung heroes that make our world turn. Those that unobtrusively help out with their neighbour's shopping. Those who turn out to put out the tables for a community event but would never wish to be in the limelight. Those who give their time and energy, often at much personal sacrifice, to run community clubs or facilities. Those who discretely phone or WhatsApp someone they suspect may need encouragement. Hallelujah to brownness!

Hallelujah to brownness because if colours were to correspond to human qualities, brown's would be humility. In our celebrity-obsessed world, humility is rarely celebrated. Being proud of our achievements now seems held up as more of a virtue than being humble in the face of them. Yet we appreciate someone with humility, who is self-effacing and not blowing their own trumpet. The Christian God too is humble – a weird word to describe God perhaps, but that's how Jesus revealed him to be.

So hallelujah for brown. Hallelujah for all that's humble. May the autumn trees, and the piles of leaves we need to sweep – or joyfully kick our way through – remind us of the unsung heroes who also are all around us.

Rev David Carrington

Team Vicar of Escot, Feniton and Payhembury

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Upcoming Church Services for Parishes of Feniton, Escot, Payhembury

SUNDAY 4th OCTOBER

TRINITY 18

Church	Time	Service
Escot	11am	Parish Communion (DC)
Feniton	9.15am	Story time (ST team)
Payhembury	6pm	Reflection with music

SUNDAY 11th OCTOBER

TRINITY 19

Church	Time	Service
Feniton	11am	Parish Communion (DC/BH)
Payhembury	9.15am	All ages Harvest Festival (LL/DC)

SUNDAY 18th OCTOBER

TRINITY 20

Church	Time	Service
Escot	6pm	Evensong (LL)
Feniton	10am	Morning Worship (LL)
Payhembury	11am	Parish Communion (DC)

SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER

TRINITY 21

BIBLE SUNDAY

Church	Time	Service
Feniton	11am	Parish Communion (JR)
Payhembury	9.15am	Café Church (LL)

All Otter Vale MC services at <https://ottervalechurches.org/ministry/ovmc-services>



Church flowers

3rd October Harvest Thanksgiving all windows decorated (1 st Sunday in Oct)			
October 3rd	&	10 th October	Mrs Gillian Clarke
October 17 th	&	24 th October	Mrs Gina Cox
October 31 st	&	7 th November	Mrs Yo Smallwood

Escot Deputy Churchwarden: Janet Welch (850940). Feniton Church Wardens: Cara Sanders (850262), Barbara Hemsley (07790 143193)

Dates for your Diary

Broadhembury Gardening Club Talk... 7pm, 7th October, Memorial Hall

Soup Lunch... 12pm to 2pm, 12th October, Payhembury Church

Payhembury Quiz Night... 7.30pm, 16th October, Village Hall

Coffee Morning... 11am to 12pm, 21st October, Parklands

Churchyard Clean-Up... last Friday of every month



Coffee Morning

Hello Villagers! Hard to believe we are nearing the end of another year, but hasn't the weather been wonderful. Our lovely 'Coffee Morning' team would like to invite you to another get-together courtesy of Pat Lepage at her home Parklands, 11am on 21st October. A very big 'thank you' to our August hosts Pat and Clive at their home, Brookfield. Sadly all the sun deserted them, but came out again on the dot when it had finished. Still we all had a good natter and catch-up on Village events. If you'd like to join our merry team, we would love to have you! We try to take it easy as most of us are in our latter years* so help would be appreciated. Please come and join us! If anyone would like directions or needs transport, please phone Sandra on 01404 841842 - I will be more than happy to help.

*As I write this, I can hear little voices in my ears saying, "Speak for yourself we are maturing nicely!"

Sandra Ford

Regular Activities

Monday	9.30-11.30am - Apple Pips, Village Hall
Tuesday	6.45pm - Pilates, Village Hall 7.30pm Bridge & Cribbage*, The Six Bells
Wednesday	9.45am - Pilates, Village Hall
Thursday	9-11.30am - Cafe Connect, Church 6pm onwards - Tennis Club**, Tennis Court 7.30pm - Short Mat Bowls, Village Hall
Friday	2-4pm - Art & Crafts, The Six Bells

Info: *01404 841322 / **07506829942

Churchyard Clean-up Crew

The churchyard clean-up will be on the last Friday of each month. Please come along for a couple hours to mow, strim or sweep. It is so important to keep this area neatly mowed - thank you!

Our Community

We live in an amazing village with a great sense of community. Most of this is brought about by the people who live here. Many willing to give up a little or a lot of time volunteering for various organisations. However, many more people would benefit from volunteering, so why not consider giving some of your time to continue the good work? Many different skills are needed, there is something for everyone! Think about your shop, church and churchyard, school, village hall, playing field and many clubs that exist... Someone will point you in the right direction, if you ask - let's keep this wonderful place alive by lending a helping hand.

Babs Leach



Welcome, new villagers!

A warm welcome to... Chris, Rosie, Delilah, Trevor and Rodney, the dog (3, The Stables), also Chris, Sarah, Maisie and Alfie (2, The Stables), plus Ruth and Dave (Markers Park). We hope you'll all be very happy to call our lovely village home!

– Christine Thair

Thank you, all

Payhembury School Gardening Club would like to thank the parents and villagers who supported the club by buying their produce at the school gate and in the village shop during the school holidays. We raised £81.21 from selling strawberries and other produce, plus a further £91.80 thanks to the village shop. The hot and dry summer has given us challenges, so part of the money will be spent on looking at systems to future-proof the garden for the next generation of pupils.

Bill and Olwen Eaton



A Call to Bake



Hello villagers! We are looking for more volunteers to help with our weekly coffee mornings held on Thursday mornings in our beautiful Payhembury Parish church. Our volunteers bring along a home made cake, a few buns or just something nice to serve with coffee! We begin set-up at 8.30am and generally finish around 11.30am. It's a sociable morning with lots of lovely visitors who pop in for a cuppa, a piece of cake and a chat! We work in pairs and have a rota, usually volunteering once a month at the most. If you'd enjoy being part of our friendly team, we would love to hear from you! Please contact Nicola Hart on 01404 841305.

Helen Holroyd

Could you be the new Clerk?

Looking for a new role? Would you like to help enhance our community through vital admin support for the Parish Council?

If you're organised, committed, good with numbers and pay attention to detail this part-time role might be perfect!

The job: Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer of the Parish Council

The hours: 35h pm, WFH with bi-monthly meetings in Village Hall

The salary: £15.82 to £16.89ph, based on experience

Closing date: 14th October 2026

Enquire today! Training and full hand-over provided.

Contact clerk@payhembury-pc.gov.uk or visit our parish website (<https://payhembury-pc.gov.uk>) for more details.



Payhembury Provisions

Hopefully you have seen the back page... Hopefully you are now reading this as a consequence!

As you probably know your community shop has been open for 15 years, 64 hours a week and those 64 hours are staffed by volunteers in one hour slots. You have also probably heard us say that in those 15 years, we have only been shut for one hour when no one was available.

Volunteer numbers ebb and flow as in all organisations; people move away, people get busy, people get volunteer fatigue (yes, it's a thing) and we are in an ebb period right now with a few people doing a lot. We (the volunteer management committee) really, really don't want to reduce the shop hours - as what's the point of having a village shop if you can only use it when it's convenient to us, not you? So we are appealing to you to give just an hour (or two) a month - that would make a real difference.

Try a test shift and see if you like it. We can fit around you! Even if you have a regular day job there are opportunities to volunteer at a weekend, once every 4-6 weeks at part of the weekend-teams rota system. We've got something to suit everyone. There are benefits too like companionship, meeting others in the village, the odd freebie and top gossip!

Hopefully you'll give us a ring or drop us an email, find out more and come and be part of the volunteer team. You can contact Tim (07968 164738 or timwoolgar@me.com) or drop Janet an email with any questions (payhemburyprovisionsvolunteers@gmail.com).

***Dawn, Pat, Janet, Toni, Roz, Julie, Roger, Rob & Tim,
aka the management committee***



Roadworks – October & November 2026

The following roadworks are scheduled for October & November 2026. However, changes to the dates for these scheduled roadworks can happen nearer to the time (see link below for latest information). Some re-active repairs could also happen at short notice, eg pothole repairs, and these may also be included on the webpage link below:

- Haskins Cross to Colliton Cross (Luton to the A373): Friday 30th October – road closure for work by Openreach.

For further information or updates, please see the Devon County Council 'Interactive roadworks map' on the webpage <https://www.devon.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/traffic-information/roadworks/live-roadworks-information/>

Reporting Issues with the Roads

If you find any issues with the roads, please report them to Devon County Council. Devon County Council are responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of all the roads and public rights of way in Devon. They have a dedicated website for reporting and tracking issues including:

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| • potholes | • ice |
| • public rights of way | • defective road markings/signs |
| • flooding or blocked drains | • parking |
| • debris/obstructions | • street lights/lit signs/lit bollards |
| • hazardous or fallen trees | • grit bin issues |
| • fences or barriers | • bridges or retaining walls |
| • overgrown vegetation | • trip hazards |
| • traffic light issues | • broken manhole covers |

If you find any issues, please report them on the DCC website - www.devon.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/report-a-problem/. If the issue you want to report is not listed, or you cannot access the internet, please call 0345 155 1004 to report it.

Resignation of Parish Councillor Karen Edwards

In August, one of our longer serving Parish Councillors, Karen Edwards, stood down from the role. The remaining Councillors were very sorry to see her leave, as Karen has been a very valuable member of the Parish Council and her knowledge and expertise will be sorely missed. Everyone wishes Karen and Andy all the best with the future plans.

Dawn Chamberlain, Parish Clerk
clerk@payhembury-pc.gov.uk

Vacancy for Parish Clerk / Responsible Financial Officer

Part-time Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer of the Parish Council. Salary scale SCP 14-18 (£15.82-£16.89 per hour), depending upon experience and qualifications. An average of 35 hours per month which includes at least one evening meeting every two months, working from home.

Payhembury Parish Council is looking to appoint a Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer with the drive, determination, organisational skills and attention to detail to manage a varied and demanding workload. This is an excellent opportunity for someone who wishes to work from home yet become involved with the life of a small rural community.

In addition to managing the day-to-day work of the Parish Council, the post holder will work closely with Councillors to plan and implement the aims and objectives of the Council. As Responsible Financial Officer you will manage the Council's accounts and budget.

Although an appropriate qualification would be preferred, the Parish Council will support an applicant following appointment to study for the Certificate in Local Council Administration (CILCA) qualification. The ideal applicant would have financial and administrative experience, an understanding of local government and be able to demonstrate enthusiasm for working with residents of a rural community. On-the-job training is also available. Closing date for applications: Wednesday 14th October 2026.

Application forms and further information are available by contacting: Payhembury Parish Council email: clerk@payhembury-pc.gov.uk or via the Parish council website: <https://payhembury-pc.gov.uk/elections-vacancies/>

Payhembury Parish Council vacancy

With the loss of Karen as a Parish Councillor, the Parish Council now has a vacancy to fill. This will be done by co-option, as an election was not called to find a new Parish Councillor. If you would like to find out more about the role of a Parish Councillor, please contact one of the existing Councillors or the Parish Clerk for more information. If you are interested in applying for the role of Parish Councillor, please complete the application form and return to the Parish Clerk (by email or post) by Wednesday 4 th November. The application form can be found on the Parish Council website (https://payhembury-pc.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/simple-file-list/Policies/Policies-and-Procedures/Casual-Vacancy-Co-option-application-form-v2_0.pdf) or, if you contact the Parish Clerk, I can send you a copy. The Parish Council will consider applications at their next meeting on Wednesday 11th November.

Dawn Chamberlain, Parish Clerk
clerk@payhembury-pc.gov.uk

Update on the construction of Paytherden Solar Farm – October 2026

Bluefield is pleased to confirm that Soventix has been appointed as the main construction contractor for the Paytherden Solar Farm project. Soventix is an experienced company specialising in renewable energy developments. Construction activities continue at the site. Welfare facilities have been delivered to the temporary construction compound off Marsh Cross. All welfare units and security are now in place, allowing the compound to be operational. Good progress is being made on the internal access tracks that will connect the different areas of the solar farm. Perimeter fencing is also progressing well and is expected to be completed over the coming weeks.

Soventix has been working with the hauliers on confirming delivery routes, providing written and verbal instructions to drivers, installing signage, and implementing traffic management measures where required. To help minimise impacts on the local road network, Soventix has been engaging with other construction projects in the area to share information and coordinate activities where possible. Materials arriving on site in the coming months will include aggregates, solar panel mounting frames, solar panels, cabling equipment, substation components and construction machinery, including cranes. Delivery activity is expected to increase from mid-September 2026 and continue for several months. The busiest periods are anticipated between October and November 2026 and again between February and March 2027, before easing in April 2027. Main construction works are expected to be completed by October 2027.

The latter stages of the programme will mainly involve commissioning, which should significantly reduce deliveries; however, progress will remain subject to factors such as weather conditions. As previously communicated, the approved route for large construction vehicles is via the B3181 at Poundpitt Cottages, travelling east along Sidmouth Road before heading south towards Clyst Hydon. Drivers have been provided with written and verbal instructions to avoid school drop-off and pick-up times between 8.00/9.00 am and 3.00/4.00 pm. We have also decided to introduce a traffic marshal during peak delivery periods on the narrow section of road near the school and the church, which will hopefully give residents further comfort, as this is above and beyond the approved Construction Traffic Management Plan. The construction team will be equipped with walkie-talkies and escort vehicles, as is common for solar farm construction projects. The aim is to maintain a smooth flow of traffic by guiding lorries through this section of road during busier periods and reducing impacts on local residents and the school. Construction and delivery activities will take place during the following hours:

- Monday to Friday: 08.00 to 18:00
- Saturday: 08:00 to 13:00

All works will be carried out in accordance with the approved Construction Traffic Management Plan and other relevant planning requirements. Bluefield would like to thank local residents for their patience and cooperation as construction progresses. We will provide further updates as the project moves forward.

If members of the community have any questions or comments, please contact our team:

- Freepost THE Y-FACTORY (no stamp or further address details required)
- Freephone 08081698082
- Email: consultation@yfactory.co.uk
- Website: www.paytherdensolarfarm.co.uk

***Marlies Koutstaal,
Community Engagement Consultant, on behalf of Bluefield***



**Would you like to share something in the
Payhembury Parish Paper?**

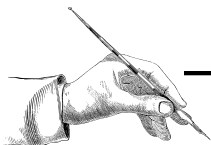
Birth, anniversary or new neighbours?
Event, fund-raising or special occasion?
Written an article you'd like us to print?

We'd love to hear from you!

It's really easy: send us your content using the email
address on the back cover by the 18th of the month to be
in the next issue.

Aim for up to 350 words to make sure there's space to fit
everyone in. Remember to share images as attachments so
we can maintain the resolution. Please make sure you have
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Breastplate of Righteousness

WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

ST MARY'S CHURCH, PAYHEMBURY

5:30 - 6:30PM | FOOD PROVIDED

PRIMARY AGED
CHILDREN
WELCOME



Payhembury Weather



Weather for August 2026

Rainfall: Two days of significant rain on 19th and 29th of August at least helped to make the grass green again. Overall though it was still a dry month. So far in September there was a real deluge of over 20 mm on 8th September which has ended the drought. Devon reservoir levels are lower than last year but not by much.

Temperatures: The mean maximum temperature for August was exceptional being nearly 6 degC above normal. There was also a record high temperature of 36 degC on 13th August, the second record this year! The nights though were cooler overall, close to average. September has so far continued with the trend of higher daytime temperatures.

Weather elsewhere: The sky was clear enough in Payhembury to view the near total solar eclipse on 12 August. Being fairly low in the sky it didn't affect the air temperature as had been seen in previous solar eclipses here. It was closely followed by a lunar eclipse on 28 August. Two people died and around half a million people were left without electricity across Latvia and Lithuania after a powerful cyclone, bringing rain and strong winds, hit on 22-23rd August. Extended warm conditions over Nepal weakened a glacier that collapsed on 26th August causing catastrophic floods and killing over a thousand people in Nepal and Tibet. A massive section of overhanging glacier and rock measuring roughly 200,000 m² fell from Langtang Lirung mountain into the valley floor with such severity it registered as an earthquake. In Switzerland glaciers are being covered with blankets to try to slow their retreat.

Payhembury Weather Aug 2026			
Monthly Rainfall	39.0 mm	-24 mm	from normal
Days of Rain	9 days		
Wettest Day	16.6 mm	29 Aug	
Mean Max Temp	26.0 degC	+5.8 degC	from normal
Mean Min Temp	11.5 degC	-0.1 degC	from normal
Warmest Day	36.0 degC	13 Aug	14:07
Coldest Day	4.6 degC	7 Aug	03:58
Windiest Day	0.0 m/s	1 Aug	00:00

*Normal here means the average between 1960 and 1990. Note the wind anemometer is broken.

Current weather in Payhembury can be viewed at www.payhembury-weather.co.uk through wunderground. If you want to see the table above a few days after the end of the month it is usually posted on the Payhembury Parish Facebook page.

Roger Saunders

October's Writing Challenge

Last month we invited you to imagine who the person in the painting was and write up to 100 words about them. We hope you enjoyed this creative challenge. Here are the pieces we wrote...

"May Day. When the village green is strung with red and blue bunting, little flags flutter in the breeze and clumps of daffodils scent the air. Charlie tucks the fiddle beneath his chin, and the first quavering note calls to the dancers. Boys and girls in Sunday best gather, surrounded by friends and family who clap while they weave and spin and laugh. I wish I could dance, but I'm the lame boy. Forgotten. I only have eyes for Annie. She wears a blue ribbon and a smile. Oh wait. She's coming over to me, holding out her hand."

- Jane

"Bob's the name, just Bob. I duck and dive, one step ahead, just enough for my daily bread. Quick of hand, cheeks stuffed full, chipper - despite it all. Fourteen's not bad, but twenty's the aim, if I can stay on my game. Trussed up to pose, "stand there, look here" say they; anything for a slice of pay. Hours drag but it's easy work. Wonder if I can keep the shirt?"

- Ciara

This month, in honour of Autumn, we challenge you to write a short poem about the season. Any form you like (maybe a haiku!) - send them in (email on the back cover) before 18th November and we'll publish some!

Jane and Ciara



Broadhembury Gardening Club

On Wednesday, 7th October we welcome back Bex Flintham, speaking on "The Best of Friends". Bex is a writer, speaker and broadcaster who is passionate about wildlife friendly gardening. In the talk she will explain the principles of companion planting and how certain plants support, protect and enhance each other. As usual it is held at the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm (doors opening at 7.00 pm). Visitors are very welcome to attend at £2 on the door.

Val Stringer

Tale Millers Cricket Club

Whilst the Pro's push on with the more serious form of our sport well into autumn, for us the 2026 Season has been put to bed, with the sheep now very happily munching on the lush outfield after suffering their own trials and tribulations during this Long Hot Summer.

It has been a summer of change within our little club, as sadly we lost Mower-In-Chief Tim to cancer and our stalwart chef Eduardo hasn't been well enough to serve up the (now-expected) after match fayre, to which our visitors have become accustomed. A new team of mowers working on rotation have stepped up to the plate and we have adapted to the change in our catering arrangements as best as we can... but in truth we have been thoroughly spoiled by Ed and he has proved irreplaceable – I mean to say, who else is going to serve up ham, egg and chips with bread and butter in the middle of a field? On the upside, visiting vegan cricketers have no longer been treated to the look on Chef Eduardo's face as they politely ask what the vegan option is.



On the subject of dinner, we were very fortunate to have renowned local Chef, Ben Kittow of Kittow Dining, to serve a mouth-watering three-course dinner at our glittering end-of-season 'Do', which he somehow managed to deliver hot in an old barn.

There followed a tremendously successful fund-raising raffle (organised by Neil Chambers) and the Annual Awards. Ben Peters took home The Joyce Roy Clubman of the Year Award, along with the Players Player - well done Ben! The John Somers Batting Award went to Simon Kittow, whilst the Bowling Award went to young Albie Cook - great to see the youngsters like Albie and Jack contributing so well this year.

Thanks to all who have been down to support us this year and we will be back in Spring '27!

Up the Millers! Jon

Paul's Nature Notes

August - September 2026

Having had a recent cataract operation and warned not to do any gardening for several weeks, I have spent some time analysing my BirdNET stats. There have been many surprises, not least being the number of species which have nested this year. Whilst I cannot be 100% certain, I think that there are extremely high odds where I have recorded certain bird species almost every day during the main breeding season. After all, male birds are not going to expend so much energy unless there is a good reason for it.

This year there have been 108 different bird species (82 in the past month alone) of which 25 have nested either in or in close proximity to our garden and there are at least 14 others which I know for certain have nested within half a mile or so of the village. There are also a few others which may also have nested in the parish. Which are my local favourites? They have to include Spotted Flycatcher, Common Redstart, Goldcrest and, of course, Long-tailed Tit.

The spring and autumn migrations bring in many species which are never seen or heard for the rest of the year. The autumn migration started bang on time with 10 species so far. These have included Brent goose, Cetti's warbler, linnet, stonechat and wheatear, as well as two species of sandpiper, teal, meadow pipit and dunlin.

The Scandinavian thrushes have arrived with redwing first recorded on 24th August followed by fieldfare exactly a week later. They will now stay with us until March next year when they will undertake their return journeys.

Did you know that the all-out record holder in terms of distance travelled during migration is held by the Arctic Tern? It flies from the Arctic to the Antarctic and back, a distance of some 60,000 miles, enjoying more daylight hours than any other animal on this planet.

Should anyone want an up to date copy of the parish bird list then all you have to do is drop me an email and I will oblige.



Paul Lister

01404 841696 - paullister175@gmail.com

PAYHEMBURY CHURCH QUIZ NIGHT!

With popular quizmaster **MAX PIPE**



FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER
AT 7.30PM



VILLAGE HALL.



ADMISSION £7.50 –
INCLUDES A PLOUGHMAN'S SUPPER.



BRING YOUR
OWN DRINKS



TABLES OF 6, TO BE BOOKED BY
PHONING BABS ON 01404 841 409.

*If you're short on numbers
we will make up tables to suit*

The Village Show 2026



Wow what a show!! Thank you so much to everyone who took part and supported the Village Show this year. We had a record 423 entries and the hall was bursting with beautiful flowers and plants, home cooking, seasonal vegetables, stunning arts and crafts and fabulous children's creations. There was a real buzz in the air during the afternoon when everyone came to admire all the hard work and enjoy the refreshments. Thank you to all the show gang for their hard work and enthusiasm over the past 6 months, but an especially huge 'thank you' to Di Somers who really is the beating heart behind the show and without whom it simply would not happen!

Roz Mullin

≡ Soup Lunch ≡

Payhembury Church

12 - 2pm

Warming homemade soup
and delicious cakes.

♥ Child friendly. ♥

£6 per person.

≡ 2nd Monday of every month ≡



Please email info@payhemburyvillagehall.org.uk for details about hiring the hall, charges and to make a booking.

Payhembury Village Hall Hire and Charges

Hours: Monday to Friday 8am to 7pm - Saturday 8am to 1pm - Sunday 8.30am to 12pm. Tel: 01404 841856

Payhembury Provisions

Information Page

Non urgent police contact: 101

Honiton Hospital: 01404 540540 (Minor Injury Unit 8am-8pm)

RD&E Hospital Exeter: 01392 411611

V.E.T.S. (Village Emergency Telephone System): 01404 565605

Your Parish Council

Meetings held second Wednesday of alternate months (from Jan) 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Email: clerk@payhembury-pc.gov.uk
Dawn Chamberlain (Parish Clerk) - 07396 841803

Paul Thomas (Chair) - 01404 841516

Robert Leach (Vice-Chair) - 07866 568151

Mike O'Hagan - 07471035938

Sarah Palfrey - 07803 966732

Phil Chamberlain - 01404 841773

Cllr Mulkerrins - cllr.mulkerrins@payhembury-pc.gov.uk

Useful numbers at the County Council

General Enquiries: 0345 1551015

Highways: 0345 1551004

Disability Information: 0345 1551005

Registrars: 0345 1551002

Libraries: 0345 1551001

Family Info Service: 0345 1551013

Bus passes: 01392 383688

Emergencies

Social Services: 0345 6000388

Highways: 0345 1551008

Animal Welfare, Petrol, Explosives: 01392 499499

Useful contacts at the District Council

There is free parking in the car park in front of the building during opening hours (Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 5pm).

Email: csc@eastdevon.gov.uk

Switchboard: 01404 515616 (Use during office hours)

Out of Hours: 01395 516854 (Use for emergencies)

Address: East Devon District Council, Blackdown House, Border Road, Heathpark Industrial Estate, Honiton, EX14 1EJ

Cathy Connor (County Councillor) - 07548 872107

Richard Jefferies (District Councillor) - richard.jefferies@eastdevon.gov.uk

Every shift **you** give keeps the
shop open for **everyone**

We need more volunteers
Please come and join the team

One hour a month makes a huge difference

See page 6 for details & see you in the shop in 2026

from
Payhembury Provisions Committee