**August 2017**

**£100 DONATION TO COUNTRY NEWS**

The Parish Council believe that the Country News makes a vital contribution to our community. In order to support it and its volunteers we are happy to give a £100 donation with our thanks.

**HOG ROAST EVENT**

Whist the timing of this event was such that an update will miss this edition, the Parish Council would like to express their thanks to TDC Councillors John Goodey and Kevin Lake for their generous sponsorship of the event by providing the outside catering.

**SALTING OUR ROADS**

As our villages are not a priority for Highways dept in icy weather, we have now purchased a salt spreader which can be used to salt our roads and help keep our community safe. We have a good supply of salt but will need to replenish this in the future. **DRAIN CLEARING** The Parish Council has paid a contractor to clear some of our more problematic drains and are informing Highways dept of those that have collapsed and are in need of repair.

**VILLAGE HALL TOILET REFURBISHMENT**

We have been successful in our bid for Rural aid funding to donate towards the toilet refurbishment project. £2,500 has been awarded.

**PRESERVATION OF OUR WILD FLOWERS**

For the past two years Teign Housing have inadvertently strimmed the grass meadow bank near Manstree Terrace before the wild flowers have had a chance to seed. We have been encouraged to sow wild flowers to support our pollinators and the local eco system. Teign Housing have agreed that they will not cut this area in future.

**RECLAIMED VAT**

We have successfully claimed back £1,296.69 VAT from HMRC.

**WESTEXE PARK PLANNING DEVELOPMENT**

The Parish Council are actively participating in the planning consultation process to put 55,000 sq ft of industrial buildings at Peamore. We have concerns regarding the traffic congestion this development will cause and the impact on our villages.

**PARISH COUNCIL AUDIT**

The external audit of the

Parish Council accounts has been successfully concluded.

**NEXT MEETING**

Our next meeting will be on Monday 9th October starting at 7:30pm. Please come along and have your say

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**MORE INFORMATION**

Details about the parish council include information can be found on the website.

**www.shillingford.org.uk**

**QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?**

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