

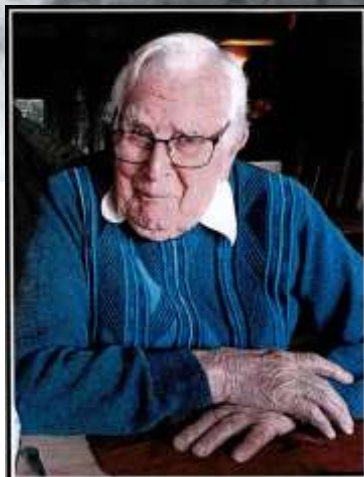
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Issue No 365 June 2026



Harry Channon

25 April 1925
to
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Editorial

Nearly half way through the year!

In April we sadly lost our Centenarian, Harry Channon, just two days before his 101st birthday. Last year I wrote a tribute **to his life's achievements in the May 2025 issue and in there** I mentioned several of the aircraft types on which he worked. Today I have placed in the centre pages photos of these so perhaps we can really see what his contribution to aviation was, in the experimental and pioneering jet ages.

Some of these are well known, others not so well known, but I offer them as a tribute to Harry. Bon voyage Harry, my hero, and very best wishes to Lucy as she moves now to live nearer the family.

As for the rest of the month, I hope you have all filled in the Shop Questionnaire.

It would be a massive loss to the Village if it were to be lost due to lack of **regular** support.

Simon Spencer

simons@talatoncalendar.com

Editor

Next issue is 10th June '26
Aug\Sept issue is 10th July '26

Information

Talaton Neighbourhood Watch Contacts.

See our page on the parish website for terms of reference,
recent appeals and lots of useful web links.

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Sandra Deacon

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Jan/Andy May

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Chris Harwood

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St James the Great

Services for June

14th June Morning Worship 11am Refreshments from 10.30am
14th June Holy Communion 11am Refreshments from 10.30am

All the services at the other churches in the Benefice are displayed on the notice board in our church porch.

Midweek Coffee Morning

Wednesday 10th June
10.30pm until noon
In the North Aisle Room



Do come and enjoy tea/coffee , cake and biscuits, but most of all good company.

All are Welcome

Talaton Toddlers

Olivia Clark is taking this over from Peppi Shaw. Olivia can only meet everyone on a Monday, as she is working on Fridays and will be in touch with everyone once DBS formalities have been completed.

We are very grateful to Peppi and her helpers for all the work they have put in over the years to run this group.

St James the Great

Pew Removal

Many of you will have enjoyed the peace and quiet inside the village's beautiful church. Over the years it has been used for various services and the meeting room (North aisle) has been a venue to several village meetings, coffee mornings, soup lunches and children's play area – but the area is limited.

The area at the back of the church (in front of the tower doors and to left of main door) is an awkward space and it has been suggested we consider removing the Victorian pews and levelling the floor to make a more useable space, particularly for those with access needs. It would make a more welcoming space for families at Christenings, weddings, funerals or other events where a flexible space would be helpful. This will be a major job and we are conscious that some people may like to be involved in the decision making – we would, of course, also need permission from Exeter Diocese (similar to obtaining planning consent). Once we have carried out the feasibility, it will all depend on affordability!

Before we move to the next stage, please do let us know your thoughts by 30th June 2026 please. Email pcc@larkbeare.net



'Thank you so much to Peppi for the many, many Friday mornings that you have spent putting on Talaton Toddlers over the years - we are all so grateful and will have fond memories of playing in the church grounds, chats over cups of tea and delicious slices of your apple cake. You will be missed!'



GROUP UPDATE

OUR VILLAGE TODDLER GROUP IS TAKING A SHORT BREAK SINCE WE HAVE SAID GOODBYE TO PEPPi SHAW WHO HAS BEEN RUNNING THE GROUP FOR MANY YEARS. WE WILL UPDATE WITH DATES OF THE NEXT TODDLER GROUP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

TALATON TODDLERS IS HELD TWICE MONTHLY AT ST JAMES THE GREAT (TALATON) CHURCH NORTH AISLE ROOM OR IF WEATHER PERMITS OUTSIDE ON THE CHURCH GREEN

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Talaton Garden Club

Thanks to all those who have renewed your membership and if you haven't already renewed your membership or would like to join then please can you give the subscription to either Kathy Gray or Alan Franklin. The cost remains at £5 per household.



Talaton Garden Club

The May meeting was a very enjoyable visit to Little Ash Bungalow last night attended by 14 people. Fortunately the rain held off until we were in the conservatory consuming our tea and cake!

The next meeting of the Talaton Garden Club is on Monday 1st June and it is a garden visit to Kia-Ora, Cullompton starting at 7pm. This is a charming, peaceful 10 acre garden with lawns, lakes and ponds plus mature trees, shrubs, rhododendrons, azaleas, heathers, roses, herbaceous borders and rockeries. Wildlife wandering round the garden include peacocks, guinea fowl, black swans, geese, ducks and chickens. An interesting garden with surprises around every corner!

For those that have not already Paid in Advance the cost will be £2.50 for the garden entry. Tea and cake will be available from the owner at an additional cost of £6. Please let Alan know (alanfranklin55@gmail.com) as soon as possible if you will be attending the Kia-Ora visit as we need to provide numbers for catering purposes. The cost for members will be £2.50 plus the cost of the tea and cake.

The remaining programme for 2026 is as follows:

- Mon 1st June** - Garden Visit – Kia-Ora
- Mon 6th July** - Garden Social - Keepers Cottage
- Sat 1st August** – Produce Show
- Mon 7th September** - Chris Trimmer - Propagation
- Mon 5th October** - Gardeners Question time
- Fri 30th October** - Pumpkin Competition
- Mon 2nd November** - AGM with Speaker
- Sat 5th December** - How d'ye Do

Thanks to all who supported our plant stall on Saturday 9th May. You helped us raise £150.

Annual Show – Photography section

The photography section of our Annual Show on Saturday 1st August this year will be 'Talaton Church'. Entries must be a photo print, size not to exceed 18x13cms. It can be colour or black and white. Open to all from 6 to 106yrs

Happy gardening!



Talaton Garden Club

**Annual Produce and Flower Show
Saturday 1st August 2026**

Children's Entries

Open to residents and non-residents up to 16 years of age
Resident young people over 16 are eligible to enter the Adult classes

Age Groups: (a) 7 years and under (b) 8 years to 16 years

Classes:

1. Design a postcard of Talaton (size A6 105mm/148mm)
2. Any vegetable grown by the child
3. A plate of three decorated cup cakes
4. Decorate a wooden spoon to look like an animal (max length 30 cm)
5. Design a colourful kite with a tail (Decorative only – no need to fly. Size excluding tail not to exceed A3 297mm/420mm.)
6. Potato grown in a large pot/container. All entries will be turned out at the show and weighed. The heaviest crop wins.

Children's Entry Form
To be handed in with your entry
between 10am and 12noon on Show Day

Resident / Non-Resident (please delete as appropriate)

Name Age on 1st August 2026

Tick the class or classes you are entering:

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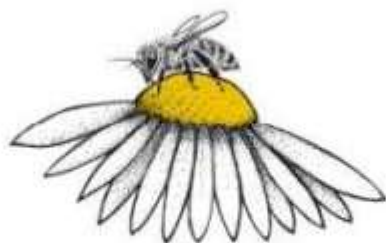
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Talaton Garden Club Annual Produce and Flower Show

Saturday 1st August 2026

at 3.30pm in the Talaton Parish Hall

**Free entry for Members and Children
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**Come and see what can be produced in our village
and enjoy its tea and cakes**



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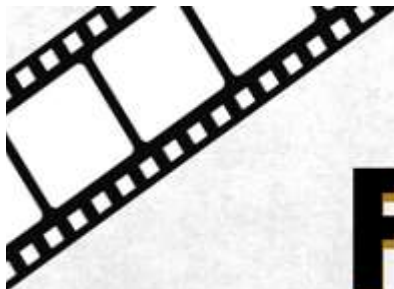
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Film details will be displayed
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2026**

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The Topsham Totters

No, the ROBOTs had not assumed the role of Rag and Bone men, well, not to my knowledge, but rather it was the gentle gait as we wandered through the back streets of Topsham some weeks ago. Indeed, the eight gentlemen did fill the narrow lane provoking a “Oh, the boys are back in town” from a lady cyclist. I don’t think the comment was one of cheerful expectation.



Anyway, from the beginning. Parking at Darts

Farm the walk led out on to the Exmouth cycle trail, branching off over the bridge crossing the muddy River Clyst. Ample opportunity here to view the marshes – only Garry had the fine hearing to pick out a Reed Warbler! Following the quiet lane, it was a shame that access to a waterside viewing platform was closed but the main observation hive further on was open and provided some good viewing. Moving on we followed the Goat Path with wonderful views of the estuary round on to Topsham Quay. Alas, another closure – the coffee shop had shut. BUT, what a wonderful replacement venue, the Route 2 café proved to be just excellent. Great food and really pleasant and efficient service. It seemed a shame not to soak up the sunshine so a quick drink in the nearby Lighter Inn did the trick although opting to sit by the water in a bracing wind maybe was not ideal.

The Passage House a bit further on proved irresistible but then it was a slow potter out into Topsham High Street. A question was posed as to why Topsham boasted two Air Ambulance charity shops within 100 m of each other? Without any sensible answer to that question, we wandered up Monmouth Hill and Avenue taking a moment to reflect on the ill-fated Duke of Monmouth who had addressed the crowd from a balcony still visible on an old house. Alas, he was beheaded some time later in 1685 for daring to oppose the King.



Finally, over the wooden river bridge opposite the Bridge Inn and back to the start of what had been a gentle, sunny and very convivial walk.

For Harry..The aircraft type



1940's

Harry's first job working on Hawker Hurricanes



First flight 1968

Concorde, and below it droops its sn



1940's

Gloster E28/39

Our FIRST jet aircraft and below, it was developed into the Meteor



1960's TSR 2 sadly cancelled in



1950's Gloster Meteor



Harry was a very talented Aero Eng

...es he was involved with



Gloster Javelin

The Javelin absorbed much of Harry's time (front cover)

1950's—60s

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1960's—1980s

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...ineer before he retired to Talton



The Lightning and below the Tornado



1990's—2015

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| FIFA World Cup – | Thursday 11th June 8:00pm. Future evening games TBA |
| Folk Music – | Tuesday 16th June 7:30pm |
| Quiz Night – | Thursday 18th June 8:00pm |
| Bingo Night – | Saturday 20th June 8:00pm |
| Father's Day – | Sunday 21st June |
| Steak Night – | Friday 26th June 6:00pm |
| Car Boot Sale – Carpark | Saturday 27th June 10:00am to 2:00pm |
| Bottomless Brunch – | Saturday 27th June 3:00pm to 5:00pm |

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All crafts are welcome, so whether you knit, crochet, sew, embroider, or enjoy another craft, you'll be sure to fit right in.

Our upcoming meeting dates are:

- Thursday 28th May
- Wednesday 10th June
- Thursday 25th June
- Wednesday 8th July
- Thursday 23rd July
- Wednesday 5th August
- Thursday 20th August

New members are always welcome — whether you're an experienced crafter or just starting out, or just want to meet for friendly chat.

For more information:

Facebook: *Talaton Knit and Natter*

Email: moorbrookmakes@outlook.com

Phone: 07894 686801



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Part of Carers Week 2026

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Saturday 13th June from 11am - 1pm

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**A MINIMUM OF
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Bottomless Brunch

Saturday 27th June - 3:00pm to 5:00pm



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Talaton Parish Council Report

The following are some of the items extracted from the minutes but a full copy of the minutes may be viewed on both Parish Noticeboards and on the Parish Web site www.talatonparishcouncil.co.uk

INFORMATION FROM THE MEETINGS OF 6TH MAY 2026

ELECTION OF THE CHAIR OF TALATON PARISH COUNCIL FOR 2026/27 - TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS AND TO CARRY OUT A VOTE ACCORDINGLY

There was one nomination for the Chair – Cllr Hawkins. There was a majority vote and it was **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Hawkins as Chair

ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIR OF TALATON PARISH COUNCIL FOR 2026/27 – TO RECEIVE NOMINATIONS AND TO CARRY OUT A VOTE ACCORDINGLY

There were two nominations for the Vice-Chair– Cllr Walker and Cllr Peters. However Cllr Peters was of the view that Cllr Walker should be solely considered for the position. There was a majority vote for Cllr Walker and it was **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Walker as Vice-Chair

TO NOTE FORMER CLLR LENEHAN’S DECISION TO RESIGN AS A PARISH COUNCILLOR AND THE PROCESS FOR CO-OPTION RE THE CASUAL VACANCY CREATED

It was with regret that the Council had received Cllr Lenehan’s resignation. She was regarded as an invaluable member of the Council and her time as Chair and councillor spanned eleven years. She was thanked for her time and contribution. The Clerk advised that Cllr Lenehan’s resignation had created a casual vacancy. There was a process to go through which would mean the vacancy could not be officially advertised until the end of the month.

CONFIRMATION OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF ALL ORDINARY MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL UP TO AND INCLUDING THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

The following dates were noted and **AGREED** by the Council for 26/27:-

Ordinary Parish Council Meetings 7.30pm

6 May 26; 3 June 26; 1 July 26; 2 September 26; 7 October 26; 4 November 26; 2 December 26; 6 January 27; 3 February 27 3 March 27; 7 April 27

Annual Parish Meeting 7.00pm

21st April 2027

Informal Drop-Ins 10.30am – 12 Noon

25 July 2026; 31 Oct 2026; 30 Jan 2027; 24 April 2027 -

Talaton Parish Council Report Cont'd

PLANNING MATTERS

i. Reference 25/2396/FUL

Address Wildwood Escot Park Ottery St Mary EX11 1LU

Proposal Construction of beaver translocation and rehabilitation building.

To consider Amended plans and Heritage Statement. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk arrange a site meeting with the applicant in order that the Council was fully understanding of the amendments to the original application, in order to make a decision

ii. The Clerk advised that application 25/2097/OUT (Mr Cyril Emmett Land South Of Lees Farm Talaton - Outline application (with all matters reserved except for access) for the construction of up to 4 dwellings and creation of new access) had been refused by EDDC

TO REPORT ANY DELEGATED DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL (INCLUDING PLANNING)

The following delegated decision was noted

Planning application 26/0574/PDQ

Applicant: P Skinner

Property: Springfield Farm Talaton Exeter EX5 2RX

Proposal: 26/0574/PDQ Notification for prior approval of change of use of agricultural buildings to 4 no. dwelling houses and associated operational development under Schedule 2, Part 3, Class Q(a) and (b) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015

The comments submitted to EDDC by the Council were:- *'As this is a Prior Notification Application, Talaton Parish Council has no comments to make on the application'*

PARISH MAINTENANCE: ITEMS REQUIRING ATTENTION AND AN UPDATE ON ITEMS REPORTED AND TO AGREE ANY FINANCIAL PROVISION (IF APPLICABLE)

- i. The Chair had carried out an inspection of the Moor (Village Green) to record the condition of it and to assess if any works were required (in accordance with the Council's Village Green Policy). She had discovered that a number of trees had dead branches which required removal. The Clerk and Chair to make a decision between them under the Council's delegated authority and to appoint a contractor as soon as possible
- ii. The defective public path sign at Newtown (the wording had disappeared) had now been replaced with a new sign with visible wording
- iii. Ed Polding – DCC Highways Officer had confirmed that he had personally carried out drainage works which should ensure that the new road surface should not be undermined if there was extensive rainfall
- iv. DCC had advised that all the requests by the Clerk to deal with a number of potholes in the parish were being assessed

Talaton Parish Council Report **Cont'd**

HORTON SOLAR FARM UPDATE

Following the public meeting held on 23rd April at the Parish Hall Chloe Hood - Head of Communications & Engagement at Aura Power had sent further updates and also Alison Griffiths Clerk to the Clyst St Lawrence Parish Meeting had sent a full report. All this information had been emailed to councillors.

Dates had been suggested by Chloe – (6pm meeting -Monday 6th, Tuesday 7th or Wednesday 8th July) to discuss the community fund but no venue had been mentioned.

TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES AND OTHER HIGHWAY ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED

- a. At the Drop-In it was suggested that a notice be placed in the Calendar asking people to be respectful of speed limits; setting up a Speed-watch group was also re-considered but the Vice-Chair advised that there would need to be at least twelve members in the group to ensure there was sufficient cover for absences etc . It was **AGREED** that the Clerk advertise for participants in the Calendar. It was further **AGREED** that the Clerk contact the Dulford PC Clerk to source information about their speed restriction signs – supplier and costs etc.
- b. A parishioner had emailed the Clerk complaining about the pot holes outside 3 Highridge and Bankside, Talaton. HGVs were travelling through the village at speed (sometimes late at night) bouncing over the potholes and causing vibration to the property. The Clerk advised that this matter would again be referred to DCC Highways`
- c. The Clerk had contacted ED Polding – DCC Highways Officer about the hatched lines at the Fairmile junction on which vehicles were now parking and also asked him again about prioritising the white line re-marking at Battery Cross . Ed has provided the following responses to these two matters which had been circulated to councillors –`

The broken hatched area is not enforceable so the person is correct that nothing can be done about vehicles parking there. However, they still should not be parking within 10 metres of a junction, and if vehicles are doing so and making a dangerous situation with lack of visibility then it will be a police matter to enforce the Highways Act rule 243: “DO NOT stop or park: opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space” The only option to prevent this long term would be to add double yellow lines for 10m from the junction. That would require support from the Parish, the councillor and then it must go on the list of sites through our HATOC process so it would not be implemented for a few years. I would be happy to support this though if it is causing issues here`.

The Council **RESOLVED** that yellow lines should be added at this location *Proposed by the Vice-Chair and seconded by the Chair*

Talaton Parish Council Report Cont'd

Ed advised that with regards to the white lining at Bittery Cross, *'I do share your frustration however it is one of many rural junctions that have faded. I have emailed the team who deal with junction markings to make sure that they are aware of it. The team that does the remarking work in an area doing all the junctions, moving systematically through the county to make it economically viable, as getting the required machinery and traffic management on site is very expensive. This is one area that has really suffered due to the decreasing budgets that we have faced'*.

MATTERS OF URGENCY: ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE CHAIR'S DISCRETION

The Chair advised that a parishioner had been upset by the dog fouling she had discovered in the churchyard. It was understood that a dog off lead had caused the issue. It was agreed that a notice be placed in the Calendar requesting dog owners be responsible for their dogs, by ensuring they were kept on leads in the churchyard and that they bagged up their dog's excrement and properly disposed of it

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 3rd June 2026

THANK YOU FOR THE NEW LASHBROOK NOTICEBOARD

A very warm thank you to the anonymous person who so kindly made the new notice board. It is a wonderful gift to the community, and we are truly grateful for the time, skill and care that went into creating it.

It will be appreciated by many people and will serve the Lashbrook community well for years to come.

Thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness.

TALATON PARISH COUNCIL



TALATON VILLAGE BBQ

SATURDAY 4TH JULY

4.30pm – 7pm

BBQ * **LICENSED BAR** * **SKITTLES**
PLANT & PRODUCE STALL * **BOOK STALL**
CAKE STALL * **TOMBOLA**
CHILDREN'S CRAFT * **TREASURE HUNT**
GAMES * **MUSIC**
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It may be easier and quicker, and sometimes a tiny bit cheaper to go to a supermarket, but what you won't get there is the village news, the friendly chat with a friendly face behind the counter, as you do at our shop and all of that comes without a charge!

Those of you who have easy access to wheels; just think for a moment about those who have not. So let the people of Talaton say NO to its closure, and how to do that? Well, that is easy – USE IT MORE OFTEN.

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TALATON PARISH COUNCIL

26/27 MEETINGS*

(ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT TALATON PARISH HALL AND COMMENCE AT 7.30PM UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY)

3 JUNE

1 JULY

2 SEPTEMBER

7 OCTOBER

4 NOVEMBER

2 DECEMBER

6 JANUARY 27

3 FEBRUARY

3 MARCH

7 APRIL

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

21ST APRIL 2027 7.00PM

INFORMAL DROP-INS

25 JULY 2026; 31 OCT 2026; 30 JAN 2027; 24 APRIL 2027

10.30AM – 12 NOON

to enable parishioners to chat to councillors about any Parish related issues they may wish to raise

**There may also be additional meetings held to those mentioned above, which will be advertised*

A POLITE REQUEST FROM

TALATON PARISH COUNCIL





It has come to the attention of the Parish Council that dog fouling is occurring in the churchyard.



Dog owners are kindly asked to:

 *Keep dogs on a lead at all times.*

 *Clean up after your dog and dispose of waste responsibly.*

 *Help us maintain the peace, dignity, and cleanliness of the churchyard*



Thank you for your care and consideration.



Local Information

Useful Phone Numbers

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|---|------------------------------|
| Otter St Mary District Help Scheme | 01404 813041 |
| The Coleridge Medical Centre | 01404 814447 |
| Ottery St. Mary Hospital | 01404 816000 |
| Hall Booking Secretary (Tanya Jones) | 07584 318378 |
| Police (to report a crime – non urgent) | 101 |
| Talaton Inn | 01404 822214 |
| Talaton Community Shop & Post Office | 01404 822084 |
| Parish Priest (Marc Kerslake) | 01404 822525 |
| Bell Ringing (Chris Trimmer) | 07786 113687 or 01404 850831 |
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Talaton Community Shop & Post Office Opening Times

| | Shop | | | Post Office | |
|--------------|--------------|---|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| | OPEN | | CLOSE | OPEN | CLOSE |
| Mon | 9.00 | - | 6.00 | | |
| Tues | 9.00 | - | 6.00 | | |
| Wed | 9.00 | - | 6.00 | 2.00 | 4.00 |
| Thurs | 9.00 | - | 6.00 | | |
| Fri | 9.00 | - | 6.00 | | |
| Sat | 9.00 | - | 1.00 | | |
| Sun | 10.00 | | 12.00 | | |

News from Talaton Community Shop

TALATON COMMUNITY SHOP SURVEY

Thank you to everyone who completed and returned our survey in last month's Calendar. We are processing the results and will publish them in detail in due course. Our thanks to Simon and Arnie (the Editorial Team) for generously giving us the pull-out center pages for our plea to the village that could save our shop. Our thanks also to Tanya for putting the survey on-line.

We know that you want more local produce and having lost our supplier of meat and bread from CH Baker & Sons of Honiton we have already sourced new suppliers that will be in place by the time this edition is delivered to you.

NEW SUPPLIERS

Veysey's is a family butcher in Cullompton, proudly serving locally sourced beef, lamb, pork and poultry from trusted Devon and Somerset farms. Small retail packs of Chicken, Sausages and Beef Mince are on sale in the shop and one-off orders can be taken for other items or larger sizes. This is butchery at its best! Please just ask as we are happy to increase our range, space permitting.

Hallett's Craft Bakers are our new supplier of bread. Multiple award winners of Gold and Silver in the Taste of the West Awards, this amazing bread is available in White, Wholemeal, Granary and Multi-Seeded in various shapes, sliced or unsliced, in small or large sizes.

Sidwell Street Bakery in Exeter is a community project that makes organic sourdough bread from stoneground flour with no commercial yeast, artificial additives or improvers. Artisan bread available to order for collection on Tuesday or Friday, unsliced only.



Talaton Community Shop



Local & Homemade Produce

Meat | Bacon | Sausages | Eggs | Cheese
Milk | Deli & Dairy Produce | Fruit & Veg
Bread | Cakes | Sausage Rolls | Pasties | Pies | Quiches
Preserves | Honey | Chutney
Logs | Kindling | Charcoal

Other goods & services

Wine | Beer | Lager | Cider | Soft Drinks
Cigarettes | Tobacco
Newspapers | Magazines | Stationery & Cards
Gallery for Local Artists
Photocopying | Laminating | Village Noticeboard
Postage Stamps | Foodbank collection point

Post Office

Wednesday 2 – 4pm

Shop Opening Hours

| | |
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| Mon - Friday | 9am – 6pm |
| Saturday | 9am – 1pm |
| Sunday | 10am – 12 noon |

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