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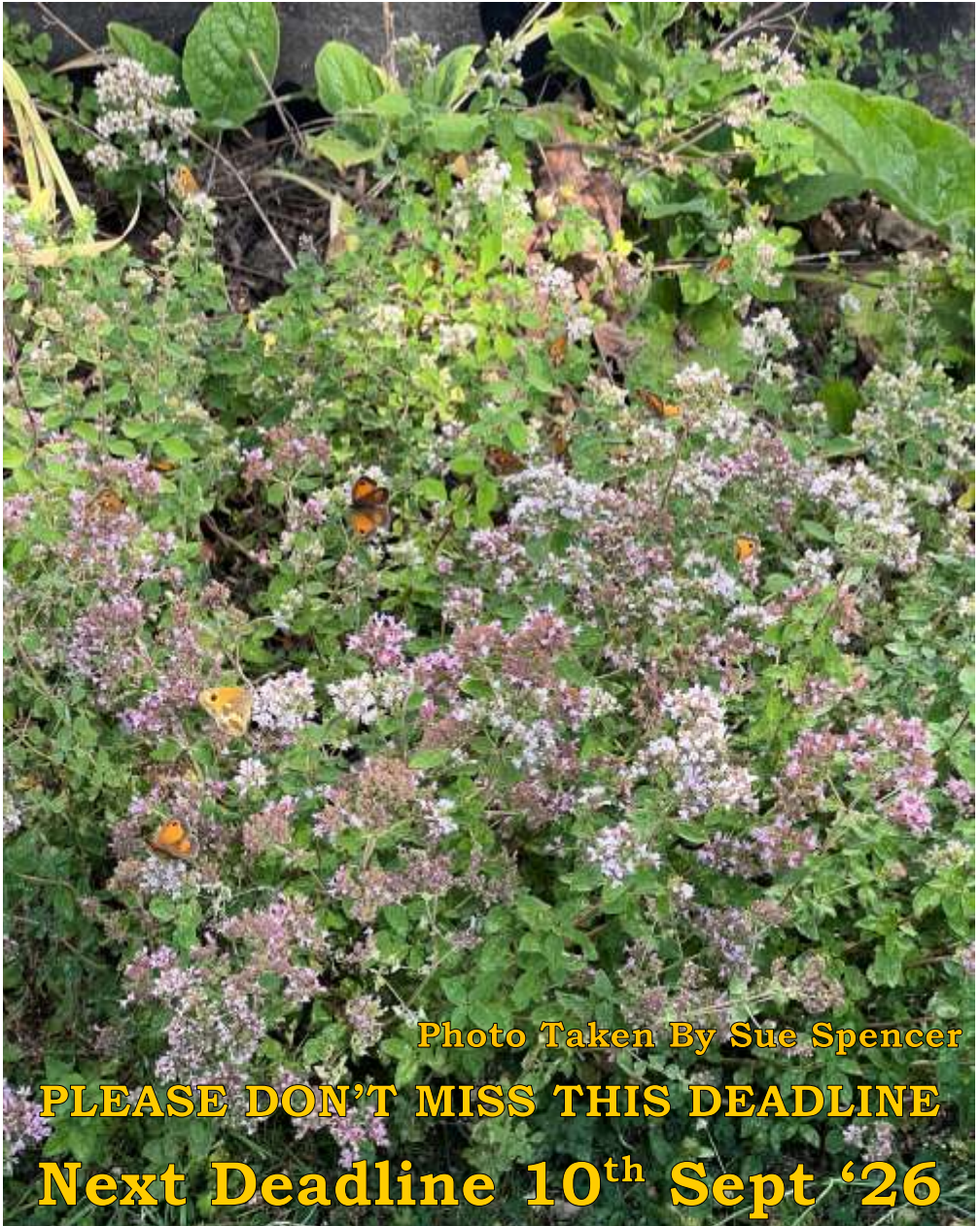


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Editorial

Glorious long hot summers days, remembered from our childhoods, so nice to have such a summer, but many don't agree, the heat can be oppressive and no rain... That'll come! I recall at the end of the 1976 heatwave, we seemed to have rain till Christmas!

The front cover last month (subtitled Usual Suspects) missed a credit to my wife Suzie, and this months cover is from the same source. There are 11 butterflies in the original picture, so hope the cropping has retained most of them. They are Gatekeepers.

The Calendar included a 20mph poster as perhaps a desire, but the limit is not in place. A report mentioned 20mph speed limits in Dulford had been removed, they haven't and are still there.

I would like to welcome a new distributor for the Beacon cross to Fair-mile deliveries for the Calendar, Melissa Turton from the Mill.

And finally Pam Stocking is now living near her daughter out of the village. She, Don and the family spent some 45 years in their house on Woodmans Orchard, being the first to move into the estate, when it was a muddy mess! We remember it well as we owned Stevens Cottage at that time. All the very best Pam.

Simon Spencer
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Editor

Next issue is 10th Sept '26
November issue is 10th Oct '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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TALATON PARISH COUNCIL

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St James the Great

Services for August and September

Aug 9th Morning Worship 11am Refreshments from 10.30am

Aug 23rd Holy Communion 11am Refreshments from 10.30am

Sep 13th Morning Worship 11am Refreshments from 10.30am

Sep 27th 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.

Midweek Coffee Morning

**Wednesday 12th Aug & 9th Sep
10.30am until noon
in the North Aisle Room**



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

N.B. July's cakes were delicious and the church was an oasis of coolness!

All Welcome

River Tale – Water Quality Monitoring

The Tale Valley Trust is a community charity for the river corridor. During summer, we organise volunteers – groups and individuals, to remove **Himalayan balsam**, a non-indigenous, highly invasive weed from the riverbanks. Please get in touch if you would like to experience a day in the river helping.

More year round, we would love to create a group of volunteers interested in citizen science. In particular, **water testing**. We all know the shocking state of river water across the UK, and often we know why. But data is key, and regular data collected year-round is invaluable.

This task involves sampling the water at least once a month by measuring the temperature, total dissolved solids and turbidity of the water. The necessary equipment is sent out to you by the Westcountry Rivers Trust <https://wrt.org.uk> once you register as a volunteer through its Citizen Science Investigations project by clicking this link - <https://wrt.org.uk/westcountry-csi/> Broadhembury Parish already have a group in action in the upper Tale. Let's fill in the gaps in the Talaton and Payhembury parishes. Please email Mish Kennaway at talevalleytrustdevon@gmail.com or text / WhatsApp Chris Keen on 07818 003416



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Talaton Parish Council





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Dog waste collected from a domestic property is classed as domestic waste and should be disposed of in your general refuse at home. Disposing of domestic waste in a public bin can result in a fixed penalty notice of up to £1,000, imposed by East Devon District Council, as it is considered illegal fly-tipping.

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Talaton Garden Club



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.

The July meeting was the Garden Social hosted by Peppi Shaw at Keepers Cottage and attended by 22 members. It was a very enjoyable evening with lots of talking, eating, drinking and looking around the wonderful garden.

Our next event will be our Annual Show on Saturday 1st August at Talaton Parish Hall.

Come along from 3.30pm to see the variety of flowers, plants, fruit and vegetables which are grown, and the range of cakes, jam and other food and drink which are made in our village. The Children's section is also an opportunity for our younger residents to demonstrate their creativity. Tea and cake will be served and there will be a raffle.

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.

The remaining programme for 2026 is as follows:

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

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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
50p entrance fee for non-members**

**Come and see what can be produced in our village
and enjoy its tea and cakes**





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:

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
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TALATON HISTORICAL RECORDS



Grateful thanks to Pat Rice and Chris Harwood for all their hard work and commitment in creating a record of historical information relating to the Parish of Talaton.

This was a time consuming and momentous task and it goes without saying just how much this is appreciated by Talaton Parish Council.

The information has now been archived at the Devon Heritage Centre, Great Moor House, Bittern Road, Sowton, Exeter, Devon EX2 7NL. It is possible to view the original documents at the Heritage Centre but this is by appointment. The telephone number is 01392 888700.

Pat and Chris however have very kindly ensured that all the information is easy accessible locally and have therefore retained it on a memory stick held by the Parish Council. If there are any groups or individuals who wish to borrow the memory stick then please contact the Clerk on:-

clerk@talatonparishcouncil.gov.uk or on 01404 814128

Did you know that there was a Youth Group in Talaton?

Well there is and it is

Young Community Theatre 4All

**The perfect opportunity to have fun, make new friends,
gain in confidence and finally perform in a play specially
written for the group. The group, which meets on a
Tuesday during term time in the Parish Hall, is open to
all children in school years 4 to 9 irrespective of
experience.**

**The first session will be on Tuesday
22nd September from 4.30 to 5.30.**

**Young Community Theatre 4All is led by Tom & Frances
Samson both of whom are retired teachers and have fully
enhanced DBS coverage for all the group's activities.**

**The group is nearly full and this year places are limited.
Once all 20 places have been taken a waiting list will be
created. If you would like your son or daughter to
participate you should register their name with Tom
Samson as soon as possible by emailing the group on:-**

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Talaton Knit and Natter

Talaton Knit and Natter is a relaxed and friendly group that meets once a fortnight, alternating between Wednesdays and Thursdays. We gather at the Talaton Inn from 11 o'clock to enjoy good company, conversation, and plenty of knitting, crafting, and creativity. We work on projects to decorate the village and to support charities.

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:

- 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*

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Bilingual Family Theatre for Deaf and Hearing Audiences Comes to Libraries

Families across Devon are invited to discover the magic of stories this summer as 'The Librarians', an enchanting bilingual theatre show for Deaf and hearing audiences, tours seven libraries across the county between 28 and 31 July. Supported by [Arts Council England](#) as part of the [National Year of Reading](#), the intimate performances combine British Sign Language (BSL) and spoken English to create a joyful, accessible experience for children aged 4–9 years and their families.

Created by award-winning touring theatre company [Helen and John](#), with performer Alex Nowak, 'The Librarians' introduces audiences to the delightfully eccentric Miss Book and Mr Page. Through inventive visual theatre, physical comedy, and imaginative storytelling, the show celebrates the joy of books, creativity, and reading for pleasure.

Alex Kittow, Chief Executive at Libraries Unlimited, said: "At Libraries Unlimited, we believe everyone should be able to experience the joy of stories. 'The Librarians' is a brilliant example of how creativity can bring people together, offering a truly inclusive award-winning theatre experience for Deaf and hearing children and their families. We are delighted to welcome the show to libraries across Devon, creating opportunities for families to enjoy high-quality cultural experiences in welcoming accessible spaces where everyone feels like they belong. We hope it inspires a lifelong love of reading, imagination and creativity for all."

Councillor Cheryl Cottle-Hunkin, Devon County Council Cabinet Member for Libraries, added: "Our libraries are places where everyone should feel welcome. This wonderful show brings stories to life in a way that can be enjoyed by Deaf and hearing children together. It's a great example of how libraries can inspire imagination, bring communities together and help more children discover a love of reading."

Performance dates:

Tuesday 28 July – 2.00pm, [Cullompton Library](#)

Wednesday 29 July – 10.00am, [Sidmouth Library](#)

Wednesday 29 July – 2.00pm, [Exmouth Library](#)

Thursday 30 July – 11.00am, [Combe Martin Library](#)

Thursday 30 July – 2.30pm, [Braunton Library](#)

Friday 31 July – 10.00am, [Newton Abbot Library](#)

Friday 31 July – 2.00pm, [Paignton Library](#)



Families can watch the trailer here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5pfHVnH9g_Y
Devon performances form part of a national tour, bringing high-quality theatre directly into community spaces and encouraging children to discover the power of imagination through live performances.

To find out more visit our [Libraries Unlimited Ticketsource page](#) or visit the Libraries Unlimited [website](#).

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 1ST JULY 2026

TO CONSIDER COSTINGS FOR REPLACEMENT DEFIBRILLATOR PADS AND TO APPROVE AN ORDER FOR SPECIFIC ITEMS

It was **RESOLVED** to purchase replacement adult pads for the two defibs in the village, plus one set of children's pads for the defib outside the Community Shop. The cost would be approx. £450 in total.

Proposed by the Cllr Hirt and seconded by Cllr Wood

TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON GRANTS AWARDED BY THE COUNCIL IN NOVEMBER 2025

Nearly all the community groups which had been awarded Council grants, had provided the following information:-

Knit and Natter

To date, Knit and Natter have spent £60 of the £150 awarded. The rest has been allocated to materials for the Christmas display and the Group anticipates it will be sufficient for that project

Pat Rice

The grant was completely spent towards the payment of the printing costs for the reprint of Lucy's book. We were both very grateful for the Council's involvement and (plug) the book is now on sale at the village shop. Any takings are donated to the community shop funds

PCC

We have just ordered a new St George's flag for the church. With all the stormy weather we have had, the flags take a battering. The cost of the flag was £195.50 but the Council's grant made a huge difference – the PCC is very grateful for the contribution. Hopefully everyone enjoys seeing a flag flying on the church tower and we are very grateful to Lawrence Wood who ensures the correct flag is flying

Tale Valley Trust

Our first balsam volunteer day was Thursday June 11 – in the rain. The TPC grant has gone towards 2 pairs of new chest waders for the volunteers.. The generous grant of £200 unfortunately does not quite cover the 2 pairs but is an enormous help.

CO-OPTION

It was **RESOLVED** that Jennie Murphy be co-opted onto the Council and it was further **RESOLVED** that the DALC training costs (£48) for new councillors be approved

Proposed by the Cllr Bos and seconded by Cllr Hirt

UPDATE ON THE CONDITION OF THE COUNCIL'S ASSETS AND TO REPORT ANY REPAIRS REQUIRED

Talaton Parish Council Report Cont'd

An inspection had been carried out and all the Council's assets were found to be in good order. The Chair and Cllr Peters were thanked for all their hard work. The Chair advised that the unoccupied allotment plots required to be sprayed and covered in the Autumn

THE MOOR

Update on the proposed broadband connection on the Moor for the benefit of the Parish Hall and for the Council to make decisions (as appropriate) re a proposed Way-leave Agreement

Tim Walmsley, solicitor from Stephens Scown had provided an estimate of the Council's legal costs if the wayleave agreement was to go ahead. He advised that there were specific issues in terms of the village green status that would need to be considered. He also indicated that a separate agreement would be preferred rather than amending the current agreement the Council had with Voneus. The Clerk advised that she had not heard further from Voneus or the Parish Hall so the matter could not be progressed at this time.

SOLAR FARMS UPDATE

- i. Chloe Hood Head of Communications & Engagement at Aura Power had provided the following updates:-
 - i. explanations regarding vehicles travelling through the area at excessive speeds and the action Aura were taking and
 - ii. Information about the timelines for the ramming of the metal piles.
- ii. The Clerk reminded councillors of the Community Benefit Meeting taking place on Tuesday 7th July at 6.00pm at the Parish Hall

PARISH MAINTENANCE: ITEMS REQUIRING ATTENTION AND UPDATE ON ITEMS REPORTED AND TO AGREE ANY FINANCIAL PROVISION

- i. Issues with vehicles using road as 'rat run' adjacent to 3 High Ridge - The Clerk had contacted ED Polding DCC's Highways officer and Cllr Cathy Connor regarding signage to be erected as a matter of urgency at the entrance of the lane, to prevent larger vehicles using it, as it was simply too narrow for them. It was understood that as the main road in the village was not currently closed then the problem had disappeared. However if further works were planned and the main road was to be shut again then signage was required. The Clerk to chase the matter up
- ii. Road Repairs - Ed Polding DCC's Highways Officer advised that *'there is a planned scheme in place for the road through Talaton, with patching scheduled to commence this year, followed by surface dressing next year all being well. This will take care of all the minor defects which do not qualify as a safety defect. It would not be economically viable to do any patching before this takes place, as all the defects will be patched at the same time under a single road closure'*.
- iii. Phone Box - National Grid will be carrying out disconnection works to the phone box on 20th and 21st August. The Clerk was waiting to hear if the books need to be removed from the phone box prior to the work being carried out

Talaton Parish Council Report Cont'd

- iv. **Leak outside Bankside -response from SWW** - SWW had confirmed that a report had been logged and it had arranged for one of its Inspectors to investigate. They further advised that if the leak was confirmed to be from one of its assets, they'd take the necessary action to carry out any repairs. It was reported that SWW had infact been out to the leak. They had dug a hole but had not resolved the issue as the leak was continuing. The Clerk to chase up
- v. **Land adjacent to the phone box – any works required?** - At the February Council meeting it was suggested that pipe work may be necessary for the area of land, following SWW's work. However after some discussion it was **AGREED** that at this time no work was necessary but the matter to be kept under review.
- vi. **Unstable building Talegarth** – Ed Polding DCC Highways Officer had advised of the potentially unstable building 'Talegarth' on Highridge road. He had sent out a gang to close off the footpath. He stated that the situation would be re-assessed as to whether a full road closure was deemed necessary. The Clerk was asked to obtain an update on this matter.
- vii. **Request for double yellow lines at Fairmile Junction** - ED Polding DCC Highways Officer confirmed that he had spoken to DCC Cllr Cathy Connor and she was happy to support the proposal. He would now submit the request.

PLANNING MATTERS

Planning Appeal - 25/2097/OUT Outline application (with all matters reserved except for access) for the construction of up to 4 dwellings and creation of new access) - Mr Cyril Emmett Land South Of Lees Farm Talaton

The Clerk had advised councillors that there was nothing further for the Council to do unless it wished to make amendments to its previously submitted comments to EDDC or provide additional comments. Any amendments/further comments would need to be received before 22nd July by the Planning Inspectorate. The Council **AGREED** that as the Planning Inspector would consider the Council's comments submitted to EDDC (as part of the Appeal process) and as the Council did not wish to add/amend the comments, then there was nothing further for it to do.

ii Go Kart Track at Escot Park - Devon County Pursuits - Planning Consent -21/2045/FUL

A parishioner had emailed the Clerk asking about the proposed screening of the go kart area at Escot, which was not in situ and was one of the planning conditions stated in the approval. The Clerk would be willing to contact the EDDC Enforcement Officer on the parishioner's behalf if desired, to chase the matter up subject to receiving her consent.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 2nd September 2026

• CONSIDERING A NEW VENTURE? •



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Film Nights (and Afternoons) in the Talaton Parish Hall

Forthcoming events, Lights Popcorn Talaton!:

CHILDRENS FILM AFTERNOON

Family Film Afternoon at the Talaton Parish Hall: **5 August**

She's a rabbit with big City dreams, he's a fox who has learned to work every angle. Together they're chasing down a mystery in a city where every animal, from the tiniest mouse to the tallest Giraffe, has made a life for itself.

Fast funny and packed with twists, this one's got a proper case at its heart and a message about judging too quickly that lands without ever feeling like homework.

Bring the whole family for an afternoon of laughs, chases, and a city unlike anywhere you've been! **Doors open 2.30 5 August film start 3.00**

Refreshments and snacks available to purchase on the day.

We are delighted to announce the Talaton Parish Hall's monthly FILM NIGHT

Will commence on the first **SATURDAY** of each month, with a different film every month. It could be a classic, a family favourite, or something you have been meaning to catch up on, we'll have something on the big screen for you.

Unfortunately Licencing means we cant advertise the film names here but keep an eye on the Hall Noticeboard and our mailing list for the reveal each month. Could be a lot of fun!

Doors open 7.00pm with a film start at 7.30. Refreshments and bar available to purchase.

KEEP UP WITH EVERYTHING HAPPENING AT THE HALL—SIGN UP FOR OUR MAILING LIST FOR THE LATESTNEWS AND EVENTS DIRECT INTO YOUR INBOX.

<https://mailchi.mp/df572fbbe556/sign-up-form-june-2026>

Starlink and the broadband use

A little background—and a big thank you

Some of you may not know that Voneus withdrew our free charity WiFi Broadband almost a year ago. It left us with no choice but to sign up with Starlink Satellite Broadband, for which we pay around £75 each month, there being no alternative supplier.

So when the recent Broadband outage hit we didn't hesitate to open up the Hall. It's what we are here for.

We will continue to do this where we can, subject to bookings, for any future outages, so the Hall becomes a Community Hub enabling you to keep working and nobody loses a day.

A genuine thank you to everyone who made a donation during this outage, it means more than you might think. If you used the space and haven't got round to it yet here's a nudge.

Running the Hall, and keeping it up to date and nice, has real costs: power, Maintenance, insurance, and now Broadband. If opening up the Hall saved you a car journey, a bus fare, or just a stressful day, please help us to keep on doing this.

DONATE BY BANK TRANSFER:

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Talaton Parish Hall

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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)**

**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***

DOG FOULING IN THE VILLAGE

Please help keep our village clean!

Sadly there have been reports of dog fouling
in the village, especially on the Moor
(Village Green)

Dog Fouling

It is a legal requirement to pick up
after your dog in public places.
Failure to do so could
result in a £1,000 fine!



Toxocariasis

Dog mess can spread harmful
parasites (*Toxocara Canis*)
which can cause serious
illness and even blindness.



Report Dog Fouling:

Contact the Parish Council Clerk: clerk@talatonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Or East Devon District Council: dogfouling@eastdevon.gov.uk • 01395 516551

Online Form: www.eastdevon.gov.uk

Help us keep Talaton clean & safe! *Thank you!*

The Clerk – Talaton Parish Council



Local Information

Useful Phone Numbers

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 2026

A big thank you to our customers who responded to our appeal for actively supporting the shop. Since our campaign, takings are up by 30% and we are now making a small profit rather than a monthly loss.

Fix it for a Fiver is working – please keep it up!

All questions in the survey produced valuable and helpful information but we are concentrating here on what changes you would like to see in our stock and services: -

- **More local products.** In hand, as highlighted last month
- **More vegetarian/ gluten free products.** We will increase our range and use shelf labels to highlight them. I'm afraid the low demand for GF bread won't meet a minimum order
- **Wider range of frozen goods including premium brands.** We will carry out a trial, freezer space permitting
- **Larger selection of fresh meat.** Refrigerated space is limited, however, our local butcher can supply their full range on an "order only" basis. Details in the shop soon
- **Premium greetings cards.** We have several new ranges and a new display area coming soon!
- **Better selection of fruit and veg.** This is difficult because it has a short shelf life and we cannot afford the waste that inevitably ensues. Customers request it but don't buy it! We have a good range of frozen veg as a compromise
- **Talaton branded goods.** Non-food items such as shopping bags and tea towels require very large minimum orders and take years to sell. Our three own-label chutneys are extremely popular, and we are looking to introduce Talaton-branded fudge, so watch this space!
- **Ability to order online coupled with a delivery service.** We don't have enough volunteers to offer this service. However, we continue to support housebound residents by delivering their telephone orders

Bank Holiday Monday 31 August

SHOP OPEN 9am – 6pm



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

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

Talaton Community Shop, Talaton, Exeter, EX5 2RQ

Telephone 01404 822084

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