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## Save Our Local Pub

Ring O'Bells, Prieford, Devon

Dear All,

Ring O'Bells Update: Following my update in December I am pleased to say that I received many messages of support from the Shareholders Group and not a single negative reply.

I have therefore arranged a meeting of the Shareholder Group for early February. Please note that this is not an open invitation to all members of the community for the reasons that I covered in the December communication.

I shall let you know the outcome of this meeting in due course. In the meantime you will no doubt be interested to hear about the request by the Bratton Fleming Community Benefit Society to the Council to make a Compulsory Purchase Order of the White Hart. The link below from the North Devon Gazette details the current position which is very interesting.

### [WHITE HART](#)

If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything with me, my email address is [malhigdon@aol.com](mailto:malhigdon@aol.com) please don't hesitate to

contact me.

Regards,  
Malcolm Higdon

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## Marwood Ladies

The next meeting will be on Thursday 7th February at 2pm at The Old Rectory, Marwood, when Margaret Pover will be talking about her recent holiday. For more information contact Margaret on 01271 344433

## TELEPHONE BOXES!



Muddiford's Telephone Box has the defibrillator in it. Guineaford's Telephone Box is waiting to be used and loved!!



This box is right by the post box, notice board and bus stop in Guineaford. Is there anybody willing to volunteer to take the project on and create an interesting and innovative space? Any ideas? Please contact either [Marwood Parish Council](#) or [Marwood Matters](#) with your ideas.

*Funds available - see P2*

## Welcome to Marwood Matters 2019



Thanks have to go to all those who have helped bring Marwood Matters, to those who want it, in the Parish and beyond, for nearly 20 years.

At the end of last year a couple more of our regular volunteers found that they were unable to deliver paper copies in the Milltown area, and nobody has come forward to replace them. We don't believe there is anybody without the internet in this community so it will be up to them to seek an online version.

Our MM website is used regularly and is much easier to manage than creating the Newsletter. The information can easily be updated and it is already accessed regularly. We have the capacity to put not only our own information on the website but to also have links to adjoining parishes for their news as so many of us live on the 'borders'.

Much of our information published and advertised by groups is duplicated but Marwood Matters, both website and paper version, allows it to be accessed alongside other news and events so that the 'bigger picture' within Marwood is achieved and that is always a positive.

### **WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS? CAN YOU HELP?**

**THIS WILL BE AN ON GOING CONVERSATION THROUGHOUT THE YEAR BUT BY THE END OF 2019 OUR VERY SMALL MM TEAM WILL NEED TO MAKE SOME CHANGES. THOUGHTS AND IDEAS PLEASE.**

**MARWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**

[FOR FULL REPORTS PLEASE SEE MM WEBSITE](#)

**MARWOOD PARISH COUNCIL  
Relevant Points from Report of the COUNCIL  
MEETING 13 December 2018**

**Finance**

Invoices agreed for payment: C F Wallis £145.00 (*P3 Scheme*); North Devon Council £457.30; Exmoor Computers £140.00 (*installation/training*) (*no charge to Council precept*) Balance £7213.62. Parish Grants 2018/19. The Clerk confirmed the Parish Grant of £811.00. Members agreed how this should be allocated and the funds will be issued in January 2019.

**Planning Matters**

65811- *Continued siting of one mobile home to provide an agricultural worker's dwelling at Whitefield Down Muddiford*

**Recommend: Approval**

65765 – *Conversion of barn to form one dwelling together with improvements to access track and change of use of land to form domestic curtilage at Milltown Farm.*

**Recommend: Approval**

65931 – *Erection of one local needs dwelling at land adjacent to agricultural workshop Middle Marwood.*

**Recommend: Approval**

65967 – *This late application will be considered at the meeting in January 2019*

**Traffic Calming Scheme, Prieford.**

In response to the contact from the Clerk, the DCC Development Management Officer said he has sent the details to the NDC Planning Officer whose response is for DCC to get on with the work and to advise Pearce Construction to carry out the work as soon as possible. The Parish Council is in full agreement with this action.

**On-going Matters**

Footpath 45 Cllr Sue Button reported that over sixty completed questionnaires have been sent to Devon County Council for them to consider.

Telephone Kiosk A notice will be placed in Marwood Matters asking the public to suggest the future use of the telephone kiosk at Guineaford Bridge and for volunteers to assist with the changes and future involvement. The Parish Council will arrange for the kiosk to be painted and to make any alterations depending on the proposed use.

Cllr Mrs Davis said funds are available to carry out some of the work.

**Reports from Councillors**

Highways/Transport Councillors reported that the drains in the repaired section of the highway at Blakewell Fisheries have been wrongly installed and surface water continues to run down the road and not into the drains. The Clerk will contact DCC Highways.

Cllr Spear asked if the painted road signs in Guineaford and Prieford could be re-painted when DCC Highways carry out the enhancement work in Prieford. The Clerk will ask.

Members commented on the serious traffic jams which occur at the new roundabout by the District Hospital by traffic trying to get into the hospital parking areas. Long delays are caused for through traffic. Cllr Davis said the hospital is responsible for providing additional parking spaces.

**MARWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Report of the COUNCIL MEETING 10 January 2019**  
Marwood Methodist Church Hall, Guineaford

**Members Present:** Cllrs. C Latham, C Spear, R Berry, C Wallis, S Button, D Chugg,

**Apologies:** Cllr A Skentelbery, Mrs S Darling,

**In Attendance:** Cllr F Tucker. (*arrived at 19.55*) M J Measures (Clerk to the Council)

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 13 December 2018** Minutes were agreed and signed as a true record

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**MARWOOD CHURCH**

**Priest in Charge:** Revd Steve Painting  
**Churchwarden:** Margaret Greenslade 01271 372065

**SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 2019**

- 3 10.30am All Age Worship
- 10 9.30am Holy Communion
- 17 10am United MCC Service at Methodist Church
- 24 4pm Evensong

**Housegroup's words for February:** 'I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.' Psalm 121:1

**Churchyard Tidy Up on Saturday February 9<sup>th</sup> from 10am. All welcome for tidying, a coffee and chat!**

Donations of £130 from Christmas Greetings and wrapped gifts were given to the Salvation Army to support their work in Barnstaple.

The sale of CHSW Christmas cards raised £280. Many thanks.

**There is a box at the back of the church for donations to the Freedom Centre of Food (tins/packets), Clothes, Toiletries, Towels, Books etc.**

**There is also a box for used postage stamps which are given to CHSW.**

*The church is open every day*

**MUDDIFORD UNITED REFORMED CHURCH**

**Services: 10am unless otherwise stated**

**SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 2019**

- 3 Led by members of the congregation
- 10 Mr John Symons
- 17 United MCC Service at Methodist Church
- 24 Revd John Robinson

**MARWOOD METHODIST CHURCH**

**Minister:** Revd Jonathon Frogatt  
**Services: 11am unless otherwise stated.**

**SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY 2019**

- 3 Mr G Byham
- 10 Mr Malcolm Measures
- 17 Revd Jonathan MCC Service at 10am
- 24 Revd Martin Reardon

**Our next Get-together will be Thursday 14th February**

**11—12noon** We welcome our minister, Revd Jonathan Frogatt, as our speaker.

***John Chugg has passed away peacefully at home with his family around him. We send our love to Vivien and family and remember them in our prayers.***



**Music Successes  
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Piano Playing**

**Grade 1 Edward Evans (Distinction)  
Grace Thubron (Merit)**

**Pupils of Maureen Chugg**



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**Police Report**

The Clerk sent Members a copy of the Police Report which showed three crimes have been reported in the Marwood area: two criminal damage, one common assault.

**Reports from County and District Councillors**

Cllr Tucker reported that new Animal Welfare Laws came into operation in October 2018.

**Finance**

Invoices agreed for payment: North Devon Council £457.30; Admin £61.96 (Nov/Dec); C F Wallis £127.50 (P3 Scheme; Marwood Methodist Church £250.00 (annual Hall Hire); Marwood Methodist Church £280.00 (cemetery maintenance) Marwood PCC £281.00 (cemetery maintenance). Balance at 10 January £5610.86. Members confirmed the precept request of £7400.00. The Clerk informed Members that the NDC grant for 2019/2020 will be £411.

*Cllr Chugg left the meeting at 19.55*

**Planning Matters**

65967 – Blakewell Cottage Muddiford. Demolition of side extension, erection of extensions to dwelling together with erection of garage and creation of new entrance.

**Recommend: Approval**

65974 – Land adj. Burland House Bittadon. Variation of condition for erection of pole barn and cattle shed to allow change of materials and extended removal date.

**Recommend: Approval**

65970 - Hewish Barton Muddiford. Addition of bespoke timber and double-glazed garden room. **Recommend:**

**Approval**

**Traffic Calming Scheme, Prieford**

The Council confirmed that DCC has been informed to get on with the work as soon as possible.

**On-going Matters**

Footpath 45 Cllr Sue Button reported that questionnaires are now with Devon County Council for them to consider.

Telephone Kiosk Cllr Sue Button will take a photo of the kiosk. An item will be placed in Marwood Matters asking for comments on how the kiosk might be used for different public purposes such as 'book lending'. Voluntary help will also be needed.

**Reports from Councillors**

Parish Footpaths Motorcyclists are riding along bridleway 28. The Clerk will report this to DCC Rights of Way. Any information please contact the police and/or the Clerk.

Highways/Transport Members of the public are reminded to report pot-holes to Devon County Council by using the direct website link.

*Meeting closed at 20.17*

*M J Measures*



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Anyone is welcome to join us; please phone or email any member for the date of next meeting.

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