

Deputy Clerks Report

DECEMBER 2021/JANUARY 2022

1. CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

The Foodbank received a generous donation to help families at Christmas time. The team purchased meat and vegetables for every family. Thanks also to Martins Field Farm for the donation of fresh organic veg for the hampers. The hampers were delivered by our amazing team of volunteers. A special thank you to all our volunteers who help us with the smooth running of Broadclyst Food Bank.

This year the food bank was approached by the YMCA and the Rediscover Church in Exeter to give out hampers for our food bank clients. The Church organised the large Ikea bags of dry/tin products and the Council van delivered all 50 bags!



2. VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

The maintenance team have been hard at work around the village. The hedges along the lane from New Buildings to the Pavilions has been trimmed back. A couple of top-heavy trees need to come out due to the risk of falling. Litter picks around the village.

After a report about concrete bollards not visible in the dark, the maintenance team has painted the bollards white. The streetlight has also been reported as faulty. Devon County Council came back to me to apologize for the delay in fixing the fault. The delay is due to staffing issues with their light contractor.

Unfortunately, there has been rude graffiti inside the wooden playhouse in Broadclyst park. The team have been on hand to clean off the graffiti and make it safe for the children.

Spring planning is happening in Broadclyst. The wildflower mixes will be brought soon to be sown in the usual wildflower areas. If you know of somewhere else that will benefit from wildflowers, please let the office know.

3. P3 FOOTPATH INSPECTIONS

It's that time of year again to pull your wellies and wet weather gear on and walk the footpaths of our parish. Before Christmas I sent out the Councillor sign up sheet to help walk the footpaths. Only TWO Cllrs have come forward and walked and reported about the footpaths. There is plenty still left to walk before the end of the month deadline. So please contact the office if you would like to help.

4. COMMUNITY DEFIB TRAINING

Westclyst community defib is now a year old! and with the Worldwide Pandemic, the community training session has not been able to go ahead as planned. Now, the training session can be delivered to the community safely. The date is Thursday 17th March 2022, held at Westclyst school 6pm – 8pm. This session is free to anyone wishing to be trained on the Automatic Defibs.

For more details, and to book a place, please contact the office.

This concludes my report to Council. Natasha Curwood,
Broadclyst Parish Deputy Clerk 19.01.2022