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Meetings

Please note meetings shaded pink are **NOT** open to the public

Meeting	DSO	Date	Time	Location
Licensing & Enforcement Sub Committee	CL	Tuesday 19 April	9.30am	CANCELLED
Licensing & Enforcement Sub Committee	CL	Tuesday 26 April	9.30am	Council Chamber
Executive Board	DV	Wednesday 27 April	5.30pm	CANCELLED
Housing Review Board	AT	Thursday 28 April	6.00pm	Council Chamber

LG Knowledge

> Talking about extreme weather: getting more value from fewer resources

The LG Group organised a workshop event in March to help councils improve communication on climate change. Access handy 'top tips' that will help councils engage their residents on the impacts of climate change and increase energy efficiency. Watch a short video report that captures the views of the workshop delegates. Find out what they thought were the crucial issues covered on the day.



> Managing local government employees' stress levels in an economic downturn

It goes without saying that job uncertainty leads to stress. Nowhere else in the public sector is the fear more acute than in local government. With the threat of job losses within local authorities on the increase, discover how councils such as Enfield, Devon, Cumbria and Burnley are leading the way in fostering their employees' mental wellbeing.

> Councillors hear the benefits of social entrepreneurs

If you're a councillor find out how you can encourage and support social entrepreneurs within your local communities. Access a series of podcasts that explain in more detail the roles councillors can play and how they can work with social entrepreneurs to address local needs and priorities.

Government Connect: final report on secure data sharing

Read the final report from the Government Connect programme – an initiative established in 2008 in response to the Government's Data Access Policy. The project's primary objective was to demonstrate how effective implementation of a secure IT channel to share sensitive data between councils and central government would make substantial improvement and efficiency savings.



New Events Guide

EDDC's Countryside Service has just published a new Events Guide for the year. There are tried and trusted events such as Birds for Beginners and Wet and Wild Weekends as well as the usual range of family Reptile Rambles, Pond Dipping and Insect Safaris. There are also new events this year, including low cost introductory Wildlife Training Days on various topics including dragonflies, insects, plants, drawing wildlife and habitat management. Take a look at the guide on our [website](#) (and don't forget you can access the Countryside Service's web-pages every week by clicking the [quick link](#) on the left.)

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Chairman's engagements

Saturday 9 April

Chairman and Mrs Liverton attended 'Let it Shine' by the dance group of Exmouth at Budleigh Salterton Town Hall

New documents in the Members' Area

Norman Lockyer Observatory Management Committee –

Agenda for meeting to be held on 28 June, Minutes of the meeting held on 1 March (Outside Bodies)

Mental Health Matters – newsletter from Devon Partnership NHS Trust

Update message from Insp Antonia Weeks

"As you are aware we are currently restructuring of how we deliver frontline services across Devon and Cornwall. Ultimately this will result in maximising the resources we have to be available to the public when they need us. It also looks at streamlining the processes we have to deal with crimes as well as continuing to provide policing at a local level.

As part of this restructure there are some changes to the management of the East and Mid Devon Policing area:

Inspector Matt Lawler will continue as the sector Inspector for Mid Devon and will also incorporate Honiton and Ottery St Mary neighbourhoods.

Inspector Tony Comerford will take on a new sector incorporating Exmouth, Sidmouth, Seaton and Axminster.

There is no change to the local neighbourhood sergeants who will continue to provide the first point of contact for all local and neighbourhood issues. There will also be new proactive local policing teams based at Sidmouth, Axminster and Exmouth made up of additional officers to the existing beat managers. These teams will focus on local policing priorities as well as providing resilience across the East Devon area at times of high demand on the service."

Insp Antonia Weeks - Rural East Devon Inspector (based at Exmouth Police Station) Devon and Cornwall Constabulary

Funding



If you want to find out more about opportunities for funding and grants in Devon by receiving a regular newsletter you can sign up to receive the Devon Funding News. This contains:

- News of the latest external funds relevant to Devon
- Advance notice of proposed changes to funds
- Contacts for further information

To sign up to receive the bulletin contact Kate Burton, External Funding Information Officer, Devon County Council, Great Moor House, Bittern Road, Sowton Ind. Estate, Exeter EX2 7NL. ☎ 01392 382076
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Bluebell Day

Holyford Woods Local Nature Reserve, Saturday 30 April

6.30am	Early Risers Birdy Walk and Bacon Butties
10am, 12noon, 2pm	Discover your Senses for Wildlife
10am, 2pm	A Walk in the Woods
12noon	Woodland Flowers with Mike Lock, AVDCS
3pm	Nut Detectives
7.30pm	Bats in the Woods

Craft Stalls - Refreshments - Self-guided walk

Free parking at Colyton Grammar School. Free shuttle bus to Bluebell Day HQ (9.30am – 4.30pm). (Note change of usual venue for parking!)

Booking essential for Early Risers Birdy Walk and Bats in the Woods.

Booking/enquiries: Countryside Service 01395 517557 or 07814 477 422

