

The Village Pump Nymet Rowland

September 2025

What's on...

St Bartholomew's Church
Friday 29th August

HARVEST



6:00pm: Thanksgiving Service in Church
followed by

BARBECUE

7:00pm in the Village Hall
Raffle and Musical Entertainment
All very welcome!

W.I.

At our next meeting on Wednesday, 10th September at 7.30 in Coldridge Village Hall, we will be hearing about Devon Air Ambulance.

Non-members are always welcome (£3).

See our programme for the year.

8 October: Hearing Dogs for the Deaf – Helen Burridge

12 November Christmas Craft – Andrea Mackown

10 December Festive Food – Sue Hosgood.

Non-members are always welcome (£3)

See also next page.

W.I. contact Liz Smith 83515

CUPPA & CHAT with a Book Swap

NYMET ROWLAND VILLAGE HALL

Tuesday 2 September - 2.30pm to 3.30pm



**Come and join us and meet friends
and neighbours for a cup of
tea/coffee and a catch-up**

Everyone welcome

Profits to Nymet Rowland Village Hall

Please contact 01363 83256 with any queries

NYMET WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on Monday September 15th at 10.30am

Meet in the Village Hall car park.

All welcome.

The 'Pump Year' is from July to June, so **subs are now due** if you would like to continue receiving a copy. Please put £3 in an envelope with your name and address, and post through the letterbox of 4, Pitt Court.

THIS IS THE FINAL REMINDER

Coldridge WI presents...

WHEN EVERY SECOND COUNTS...

Deep dive into the vital work of Devon Air Ambulance and discover the lifesaving difference we can make within our local community. This talk provides valuable insights into the DAA mission, showcasing inspiring stories of how our support directly impacts lives.



**Devon Air
Ambulance**

Learn about operations, but also see firsthand how our involvement can help ensure that they are always ready to respond when every second counts.

**COLDRIDGE
VILLAGE HALL**

Wednesday, 10th September at 7.30pm

Non-members are always welcome
(£3)



NYMET ROWLAND VILLAGE HALL

SATURDAY BRUNCH

**Saturday 4 October
11.30am - 1.00pm**

**Come and enjoy a bowl of soup, a bacon roll, a
slice of cake and a cup of tea or coffee**



**To include a Draw
All welcome!**

Proceeds towards Nymet Rowland Village Hall



Any questions please contact 01363 83256

Coldridge Gardening Club reconvenes in September when the club comes together once again to celebrate the Coldridge Harvest Festival Weekend on 13th and 14th September. This will be a collaborative celebration in partnership with Coldridge WI and St. Matthew's Church PCC. Save the date; this celebration is open to all to welcome the season of mellow fruitfulness to our village. Look out for details on the socials coming soon!

If you are not (yet!) a member of the Coldridge Gardening Club, and would like to see what it's all about, please drop us a line on coldridgegardeningclub@ecomail.uk for more details.

ANOTHER GET TOGETHER!

Following the success of the one we held last March, we are planning to organise another bring-your-own-booze/ snacks etc get-together in the village hall some time in October - date to be announced in the October Pump. We hope attendance will be as good if not better than the last one.

Those who came to that one will remember that the evening included a couple of sessions of entertainment provided by Jon Shapley, Liz Smith and the two of us. We would like to repeat this but would really like a few more contributors. No particular talent is required, just a willingness to stand up and sing, play an instrument, read funny poems, tell a few jokes, belly dance or anything else you might be willing to do or get others to join in with - striptease might be going a bit too far!

As last time, people will have to bring their own booze/drinks and glasses, as the hall doesn't have a drinks licence.

And again, we have been asked to emphasise that the hall doesn't have a music licence either, so that any songs or music performed shouldn't be something with an existing copyright - so self-penned material (including pastiches, i.e. rewritten songs to a recognised tune), folk songs and music and classical music are all acceptable.

We would like to keep the performers to residents of Nymet or nearby if possible, to maintain the strong community atmosphere we had last time.

So please give a thought to anything you might be able to contribute and let us know, along with any dates in October you couldn't manage. Contact us on our home phone (01363 83435), mobile 07867 513275 or email: francis.kirkham@gmail.com.

Looking forward to some new blood (well, not blood actually ...).

Francis and Angela Kirkham

NYMET ROWLAND VILLAGE HALL

At the recent Village Hall AGM the following Officers were appointed:

Chairman Angela Kirkham
Treasurer Marion Born
Secretary Alex Pike

The Committee would like to thank everyone for supporting their fund-raising events over the year and are pleased that the Cuppa & Chat with Book Swap had proved to be a success. As a result of this a walking group had been established which met monthly.

Future fund-raising events are planned for later in the year.

Angela Kirkham

The Pump asked that the accounts for the year be provided as this would be of interest to villagers. We were advised that they were presented at the meeting and adopted by all present. *RFS*

RECYCLING AND REFUSE

Monday 1st September

Blue Food Caddy
Brown Bin: Chargeable Waste
Black Wheelie Bin: Non - Recyclable Waste

Monday 8th September

Blue Food Caddy
Recycling

Monday 15th September

Blue Food Caddy
Brown Bin: Chargeable Waste

Monday 22nd September

Blue Food Caddy
Recycling
Black Wheelie Bin: Non - Recyclable Waste

Monday 29th September

Blue Food Caddy
Brown Bin: Chargeable Waste

Monday 6th October

Blue Food Caddy
Recycling

NYMET ROWLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the 201st Parish Council Meeting held in Village Hall on
Wednesday 13th August 2025 at 7:30 pm

Present:

Councillors: Anthony Odhams (AO), David Gruncell (DG), Jan Coeshall (JC), Viv O'Dell (VO), Babs Channing (BC), Elaine Little (EL) - Clerk, 3 MOPs

Apologies: S Keable

Parish Council Meeting

1. AO opened the meeting and welcomed the MOPs

2. Review of minutes of meetings held on 14 May & 5th June 25 approved and signed by Chair

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Potholes/Road Maintenance

- AO gave update that the drainage and resurfacing work on Barton Hill that was advised as budgeted and scheduled for FY '25 by Devon Highways, does not appear to be listed on the Devon County Council Annual Highway Programme website. AO committed to write to Mel Stride again, to ask Highways for clarification and a commitment on the plans & schedule.

- The very poor condition of the lane leading down to A377 and Lapford was commented on. The affected section of the lane is located outside NR Parish boundary and is the responsibility of Lapford Council. This will be raised with S Keable for action.

- It was reminded that anyone can report a pothole via the Devon County Website <https://www.devon.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/report-a-problem/report-a-pothole/>

- Advice is that including a photo is not recommended so that the site is visited for review rather than through an image.

3.2 Planning Applications

- As of the 13 August there was no updates provided through the MDDC for the Barton Farm

development or from the Planning Inspectorate for the Holiday Chalets Carter/Nymet Mill field planning appeal

- Chair & Clerk are monitoring for updates and will advise accordingly

3.3 Village Hall AGM

- AO thanked JC who attended the AGM on behalf of the PC.

- JC provided an update on the annual financial update

- MOP asked for clarification on what the village hall can be used for. AO said he will ask Angela Kirkham as Chair, for clarification of the constitution and any relevant usage constraints.

3.4 Church Grant

- JC gave an update on the finding of grant possibilities. These seem to be extremely limited if anything

- Church Quinquennial inspection is due soon. AO to discuss the needs and dates with Victoria Littlewood – Churchwarden.

- It was again emphasised that our village church is Grade I listed, and that its status in the village and nationally, is extremely important historically. As a community we have a duty to our village and

national heritage, to assist where possible, in the protection of the future of the Church building.

3.5 Phone Box & BT Phone/Defib

- The adoption of box by the PC is moving forward. Awaiting NTC notification of phone removal which is imminent.

- EL applied for grant for the paint for restoration of the phone box. This was granted

- EL advised that the defibrillator itself is fully operational and still in date. However the declining condition of the current cabinet means replacement is necessary. This can coincide with the rehousing of the defibrillator into the phone kiosk. Therefore, an approved safe cabinet needs to be purchased. Overall the move cost is estimated at approx £600.

- EL asked for a message out to the village for volunteers to help restore the phone box. Please contact EL at the clerk email address if you wish to participate.

4. Financial Report Update

- Clerk gave an update on spend and balances of PC funds

Current Account balance: as of 13 August 25:

£1413.51

Deposit Account balance as of 13 August 25:
£853.21

Expenditure between May25-Aug25 total of
£60.00 – CPRE membership

- AO & Clerk notified the PC of the precept budget setting plans and review of forecast in preparation for November deadline

- EL to review improved bank accounts for the PC

5. New/AOB

- Harvest Festival Celebrations will take place in the Church on 29th August 25 from 18:30. This will be followed by celebrations at the Village Hall where grilled food – burgers etc can be purchased. All villagers are encouraged and welcome to join the celebrations

- **Next Meeting is Scheduled** for 12th November 2025 Meeting closed at 20.35

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**ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH,
NYMET ROWLAND**

Services for August and September

Parish Harvest Thanksgiving Service

6:00 pm Friday 29th August

Followed at 7:00pm by:-

Barbecue at the Village Hall, run as usual by Peter Heal and family - top quality burgers and sausages, home-made cakes, tea and coffee. Meet your friends for a sociable evening. Any vegetarians please let Victoria know on 83534. Admission is free.

RAFFLE

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT by JOHN
SHAPLEY and LIZ SMITH

Any gifts of produce to decorate the church would be very welcome.

We look forward to seeing you.

Sunday 21st September

9:00am Holy Communion

Reverend David Robottom

Good news: Until a permanent priest has been appointed to the area, the Reverend Caroline Ralph has agreed to care for our group of Churches until next Easter. Caroline, who has newly retired to Crediton, has much experience of rural ministry as she spent 16 years as rector of a group of Exmoor churches.

We are delighted that she can join us to conduct our Harvest Service and she is looking forward to meeting everyone.

Arthur

ALLERBRIDGE CHAPEL

Sundays: 10:45am service only.

Remember that the

VILLAGE HALL...

**is available for use by
clubs and societies as well
as for private events.**

**The rates of hire are very
reasonable.**

**To make a booking please
contact Alex (83256) or
Marion (83482)**

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