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## DRACULA SPOOKTACULAR!



Yes, the Modbury Christmas Show believe it or not, with that title! But what a lively and entertaining show it was! As usual there was a lot of music and singing but with a fair bit of script as well, and all three nights leading up to Christmas were very well attended at the Memorial Hall but not full. Those people who could have been in the empty seats really missed out!

Written by Andrea and Jeremy Hibbard, and presented by the Modbury Players, this was billed as a Family Show to drive you Bats, and it did! The theme was loosely set in a weird spooky old manor where two very different families met

for the first time at Christmas. In a cast of some 35, over sixty percent were enthusiastic lively children who were obviously thoroughly enjoying themselves. Very much a Musical, but with a story line running through it, the show gave the cast many opportunities to sing loudly and with great gusto, and dress up in the weirdest costumes. The adult leads were Liz Edwards as *Aunt Petunia*, Joely Hibbard as her daughter *Sally*, Rob West as *Uncle Donald*, Sarah Wyatt as *Decomposia* (Sarah also directed the show), Peter Lowe as *Mort*, Cerys Owen as *Ann-Thrax*, Dave Farden as *Uncle Grimm*, and Phil Ainsley as *Count Dracula*. Wonderful names for the children followed – *Rabies* and *Scabies*, *Measles*, *Mumps*, *Rubella* and *Shingles*, *X-ma*, *Yellow Fever* & *Zika*, and so on, with *Triffids*, *Bats*, *Trick or Treaters* and more. There were *Zombies* dancing madly, *policemen*, *prison inmates*, a *goose*, *gardener*, *cook* and a *flower seller* to complete the cast.

Highlights were many and it's difficult to pick any one out but young Nathaniel Gamblin playing *Bunion*, the butler's apprentice to Nigel Guild's butler *Gout* was brilliant, and arguably they stole the show (and the audience's hearts!). The dancing was beautifully choreographed with amazing costumes and all the children were so enthusiastic and professional with their dancing, speaking parts and singing.

The band led by Jo Highley very tunefully opened the first and second halves, and played throughout, and the singing was tremendous and plentiful - *Food*, *Glorious Food*, *Always look on the bright side*, *Monster Mash*, and many more with *Mr Blue Sky* and *Merry Christmas* with the audience joining in, ending the show on a very high note. Make a note now not to miss next year's Christmas Show in the hall!



John Bower



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## Modbury Parish Council News

There were no issues raised at the public forum so the formal meeting started at 7.00pm. Remember that any member of the public who would like to discuss issues with the Parish Council may do so at the Public Forum at the start of the monthly council meetings.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Barnes, Berry and Ward and District Councillor Huntley

County Councillor Gilbert has just returned from holiday so had little to report but congratulated the Maintenance Committee on the pavement by Palm Cross as it shows how the council is proactive. The Chairman is to walk the Parish with Adam Keay to identify problems with highways especially where flooding is being caused by landowners and BT not clearing blocked leats and ditches and ducts.

The 3 planning submissions were all approved or there were no objections.

The council approved unanimously the Precept required for 2018. This being £30,900.

The purchase of a replacement swing seat and materials to repair another seat were approved and a plate compactor will be purchased to improve the quality and speed of repair to pot holes. P3 will contribute £50 towards the cost of £341.63. Thanks were given to the Chair for researching and obtaining free materials for use in pot hole filling.

The Draft Neighbourhood Plan was given the go ahead to go to consultation and the NPG were given £1250 towards the final funding. Ann Turner has met with the design team at SHDC to finalise maps and thanks were given to Charlotte Rathbone who has done many of the plans. At the JLP examination in public it will be helpful that it can now be said that the Neighbourhood Plan has now gone for consultation. For further details about the Neighbourhood Plan please see p13.

The Heads of Agreement for the Management of Champernowne Play Park is being drawn up.

Complaints have been received of nuisance and smell from New Mills Industrial site but it is understood that this problem is being resolved soon.

A wish list plan will be drawn up for the next HATOC meeting and forwarded to our County Councillor to show possible highway improvements.

*Nicky Shepley*

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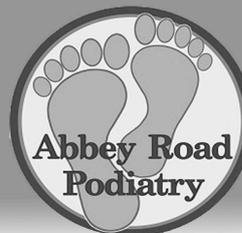
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Thursday 1st	9:15 am	Noah's Ark for children under 5
Sunday 4th	9:30 am	Service of Holy Communion
Sunday 11th	9:30 am	Lay-led Service
Thursday 15th	9:15 am	Noah's Ark for children under 5
Sunday 18th	9:30 am	Family Holy Communion Service with Sunday Club for the Youngsters
Sunday 25th	9:30 am	Sunday Worship

*Monday to Friday 9:00 am – Morning Prayers*

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**CONTACTS**

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**The Arts Society  
Kingsbridge Lecture**

Wednesday 21st February at 7pm for 7.30pm

Thursday 22nd February at 10pm for 10:30am

Methodist Church,

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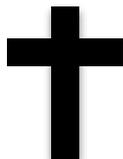
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## Gill Miller-Williams



Gill's family would like to thank you all for your kind support through her illness and for us all over the past weeks.

Your kindness and care, messages of sympathy and contributions to Jill's funeral have been greatly appreciated.

We have been blessed to have been part of this wonderful community through this time.

**Jenny Montgomery**

## Joan Ellis



Mark Lawrence and Rebecca Ellis and families would like to thank everyone for their kind words and memories of Joan, who was taken away too soon in December. Grandson Leo, aged 7, says that she is sitting on a beach, somewhere.

**Mark Lawrence**

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# Modbury May Fair 2018

## Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May

# Myths, Legends and Folklore

## CAN YOU HELP?



Now that you've put your Christmas decorations away and are committed to your New Year's resolutions no doubt you need a distraction.

Could you help with the Modbury May Fair?

Clare and Nick Owen have boldly stepped into Liz Edward's shoes but need some support. If you can help on the committee, on the day or in any way, however small, please contact them on [clareowen1@googlemail.com](mailto:clareowen1@googlemail.com)

**Nick Owen**



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### THE OYSTER SHACK

#### NEW OWNERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

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Having already stepped back from my day-to-day role over the last two years, as my growing drinks business has demanded more commitment, I feel now is the right time to give a new restaurateur the opportunity to take the Shack into the next decade – and beyond. To this end, I have taken much time and care to select the right individual to take on this next chapter, to continue to develop its cherished ethos and legacy.

Kieron Vanstone and Dino Buonaguidi, the new leaders of the ship are thrilled to be taking over at The Oyster Shack. Kieron was born locally and worked in the restaurant as a teenager, as did most of his family, and he is very excited to be returning to his roots in Devon. Kieron has achieved great success as a producer of events and immersive theatre in London, as Director of London's premiere alternative arts venue The Vaults.

Dino is a London-based chef and restaurateur, who has worked all over the world and owns the renowned Yab Yum Resort in Goa, India, as well as running quirky London drinking-hole Vaulty Towers.

Both Kieron and Dino adore the restaurant and want to maintain it's delicious local menu, excellent sustainable ethos and all round fabulous shack'y dining experience and are excited to meet you at the Shack.

I am keen to reassure you that nothing is changing within the business: for the past year Ali, who I am sure you have all met, has been managing the ship brilliantly, along with our front of house team. The commitment of Head Chef Andy Richardson for the past four years and the rest of the team to their roles will ensure that your enjoyment of wonderful food and enjoyable ambience will continue as ever.

It's been a wonderful pleasure to get to know those of you that are "Shackers" - all of your continued support and loyalty has been incredible and I have many fond memories. Your love and passion for the Shack has been invaluable to its success over the past years.

In the meantime – the team hope to see you at The Shack to enjoy some glorious seafood and the many events and offers over the coming months. Please note that the restaurant will be closed from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January and will re-open on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February onwards.

If you would like to keep up to date with the journey of my drinks business ROCKTAILS, as we launch nationwide with the first botanical distilled, craft soft drink, please subscribe online at [www.rocktails.co.uk](http://www.rocktails.co.uk) If you would like to stay in touch here are my details: [chris@rocktails.co.uk](mailto:chris@rocktails.co.uk). So here's to the next chapter,

**Chris Yandell**



## Step into Spring at Pamflete...

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A new Modbury WI initiative for the new year is an SOS group, which is a Sunday lunch group to meet once a month in a local inn for members who find themselves alone on a Sunday whether single or not. The venture together with the book, craft and walking groups help reflect the interests and needs of members and enable friendships to flourish.

The next meeting will take place at 7.30pm on Friday, 2nd February, 2018 at the MARS Pavilion, Queen Elizabeth II Recreation Ground, Modbury, when our local author Mary McClarey will reveal how she turned three generations of her family's story into a book. Do come along as a guest and see if our WI is of interest to you.

**Rosemary Parker**

## Modbury Marigolds Day - April 14<sup>th</sup>

Thank you to all those people who have already been in touch with ideas for how we can smarten up our local environment. All ideas are welcome still. We forgot to mention areas where the locals are perhaps, for whatever reason, unable to do a job themselves, but where community volunteers could help by doing the job for them. Don't be afraid to ask.

Having started our list of **tasks and locations** we are now asking for **volunteers**: men and women, younger and older from across the community. We've already had some offers of help before we even asked, but if we are going to do a 'proper job' on Modbury we **need you to join in!** 'Many hands make light work' and the more help we get the better the results will be and the more fun and sociable the day will be. Just an hour or two will make a difference.

Remember we anticipate that we will only need to be active between 10.00am and 4.00pm on April 14<sup>th</sup>, followed by a celebration of our efforts and prize giving in the MARS Pavilion. So if you, your friends, neighbours, street or social group are able to offer help on Modbury Marigolds Day please contact us to suggest what needs doing and/or to volunteer using any of the methods below:

**Email:** nicola.shepley@hotmail.co.uk using the heading Marigolds Day and giving us your name and contact details or call 01548 830193.

**Facebook:** The Marigolds Day Group and linked page is now up and running. Contact Margaret Middleton (margaretm1059@gmail.com or via her own Facebook page) and she'll invite you to join us. We would love to have your thoughts, ideas and photos especially from the Facebook generation

**Parish Office:** Just a note with your name and contact details put through the door of the Parish Office will find us too.



### Modbury Short Mat Bowls Club

Modbury Short Mat Bowls Club meets on Tuesdays at 2pm in the Memorial Hall. A small friendly club for the over 50s.

Non-competitive and relaxed. Why not join us for a free taster session?

### Luppridge Singers/Stanborough Chorus

Luppridge Singers/ Stanborough Chorus are joining together in an exciting performance of Haydn's Creation on 10<sup>th</sup> March in St Georges Church There is to be a full orchestra and beautiful soloists. More details next month

## SOUTH HAMS MOBILE LIBRARY

**Saturday 17th February**  
Poundwell Square 09:30 to 12:30

**Tuesday 27th February**  
Poundwell Square 15:35 to 16:35  
Ayleston Park 14:45 to 15:30



## Modbury Local History Society

Our next meeting will take place on **14th FEBRUARY 2018 AT 7.30 PM IN MODBURY MEMORIAL HALL.**

We welcome back Nigel Grist, our local Modbury speaker, who will be giving a talk entitled **"MORE MEANDERING FROM DARTMOOR"**.

*David Mitchell (Modbury 830446)*

## walk&talk



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February walk dates:-

6th February  
13th February  
20th February  
27th February

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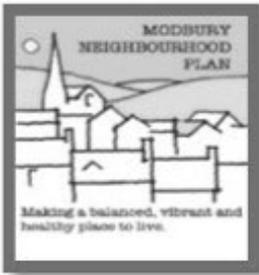
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## **BLOOR CONSULTATION:**

### **Land West of Palm Cross Green, Phase 2 (Site H)**

#### **Comments of the Modbury Parish Council and Neighbourhood Plan Group**

Further to the public exhibition by Bloor Homes of proposed outline plans for the above site, held in Modbury on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, the following comments of the Parish Council and Neighbourhood Plan Group are made in the context of a completed process of extensive consultation with the community. The data collated from a range of consultation methods is being used in preparation of the Modbury Neighbourhood Plan which will be going out to consultation early in 2018.

The key themes and policies in the emerging Neighbourhood Plan which relate to the site H proposal are as follows:

1. Any new development should consist of mixed housing, both in terms of size and affordability. As the Bloor proposal is a concept plan, it does not detail house sizes or room sizes and numbers. The Housing Development Policy in the emerging Neighbourhood Plan, based on community consultation, states that at least 75% of any new development should consist of 1, 2 and 3 bedroom homes to improve and maintain the balance of housing stock.
2. The percentage of affordable housing should be at least 33%. This would equate to 13 properties in a development of 40 houses, not the 12 proposed in the outline.
3. The proposal refers to a development of "approximately" 40 houses. What are the considerations which make this an approximate estimate and how will the final total be decided? A final figure significantly greater than 40 would be unacceptable as it would not meet the expressed wishes of the community for smaller discrete sites and render key principles of the Neighbourhood Plan – such as the importance of integration with the existing town - difficult or impossible to achieve. This has previously been an issue in development in Modbury and transparency about numbers will be crucial to engage goodwill and support from the community.
4. The idea of a Community Land Trust (CLT) has received strong support from the community and it is an aspiration of the Neighbourhood Plan to realise this. Points about the respective remuneration raised from a registered provider such as a Housing Association, and the expectation that a CLT would need to realise the same amount, have been noted. A theoretical appraisal of respective costs for 13 affordable dwellings and for a CLT has been carried out and would usefully be further explored in discussions with Bloor and SHDC.
5. Energy efficiency, both in terms of its environmental and economic impacts, is an important concern for the community, especially as "affordable homes" should be affordable in running costs as well as capital costs. The Neighbourhood Plan, as a document looking at longer term needs and development of Modbury, has incorporated standards about these issues into its policies. While the proposed development would meet required government standards, as indeed they must, these standards are unimpressive and fall short of our community's aspirations. There should be a commitment towards higher levels of energy efficiency, with a view towards net-zero homes. Contrary to what was said at the consultation by Bloor's planners, this need not have an impact on the aesthetics of the buildings.
6. Accessibility and increased traffic is a concern. Traffic from the new development will run through the development currently being constructed at Palm Cross, thus adding to the volume of traffic on the already congested A379.
7. A further infrastructure concern is the additional pressure on the sewerage system. From discussion at the exhibition, it was evident that the sewerage from phase 2 will feed into the same pumped system which is operational for Phase 1. These combined outfalls are connected into the existing public sewer serving Benedict Way and the Priory which was installed in the 1970's. It was never envisaged that it would have to cope with another 133 homes (maybe more) plus an employment complex. There have already been problems with this network prior to the construction of Palm Cross Phase 1.

**Ann Turner**



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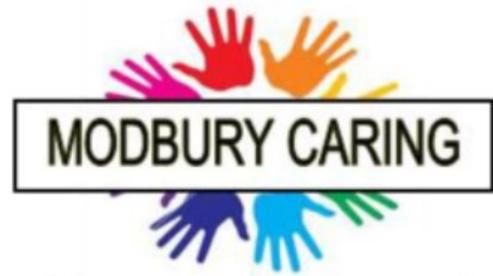
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