Woodbury Parish Council Newsletter January 2026

Woodbury Parish Council would like to wish you and your family a happy New Year.

Extreme Weather

During the winter months, please take extra care on footpaths and roads across the Parish. Our website's **Emergency & General Information page** is a key resource. It offers links to numerous third-party services, along with practical tips and advice on staying safe and healthy at home or outdoors. You will also find guidance on what to do in an emergency, such as a flood or power cut.

https://woodburyparishcouncil.gov.uk/the-community/emergency-information

Highway users are advised to follow essential winter-driving guidance:

- Allow extra time for your journey and check the latest forecast before travelling.
- Reduce speed and increase stopping distances on all road types.
- Do not assume roads are ice-free, even if they look clear or form part of the gritting network.
- Be particularly cautious on rural, untreated, and high-level routes, where freezing temperatures and snow showers are more likely.
- Watch for icy pavements and cycle paths, with a heightened risk of slips and falls.

Across the parish there are several grit bins for use in public areas, also bins of sand to fill up sandbags (avialable from the office) in the event of a flood.

Grants Available

Woodbury Parish Council has three grants that you can apply for, closing date 19th January 2026. Please find the information and application form on our website.

Community Grant Solar Farm Grant Environment Grant

https://woodburyparishcouncil.gov.uk/council-services/community-grants

Opportunity for an Allotment Plot in Woodbury

A plot at the Woodbury allotment site will become available at the start of the New Year. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Council to express your interest.

We are also maintaining a waiting list for future vacancies at this site.

For the Woodbury Salterton site, while there are no immediate vacancies, plots do become available periodically. To be considered for the future, please contact us to add your name to their separate waiting list.

New bench in Woodbury

Have you noticed the change on Parsonage Way opposite Summerfield?
The weathered bench has been replaced with a brand-new one.



Road Name Ideas

Have you an idea for a road name for the proposed sites in Woodbury maybe it has historic link or is relevant to the village. If so, please contact the office.

Cricket Field – Dog Walking Area

For the safety of all dogs and users, please remember to shut the gates behind you when using the dog field. This is so it remains a secure environment even during the winter months when access to the cricket field is permitted. Keeping the gates closed prevents escapes and keeps our furry friends safe from the nearby road. Thank you for your cooperation and helping to maintain a safe environment for everyone.

Allotments
By the end of 2025, new fencing and gates had been installed at both allotment sites. Additionally, a separate entrance was created for the community plot at the Woodbury location.

A new noticeboard has been installed at Woodbury Salterton, with another to be installed at the Woodbury site in the coming weeks. These boards will be used to share information, advertise events, and provide a space for plot holders to exchange advice, tips, and updates related to allotment gardening and produce.

Woodbury Site




Woodbury Salterton Site




Woodbury – The Green
For your information, due to disease two trees have now been removed from the grass verge adjacent to The Green play area. These will be replaced in due course.

Exmouth Food Bank
Anyone in food crisis, who live in Exmouth and its surrounding area (Woodbury Parish) can receive emergency food and guidance to find appropriate, professional support & advice.

To get help – Call 07749 322 291 or Email: help@exmouthfoodbank.org.uk
Donations are Welcome – Take items directly to;
Salvation Army Hall, Sheppard's Row, Exmouth EX8 1PW

Parish Office (Staff update)
As we said goodbye to Emily at the close of 2025, we thanked her for her wonderful contributions to the Parish and wished her well on her exciting new chapter. We are now delighted to welcome Wendy, who joins us this January as our new Admin Assistant.

Normally the Parish Office is open to residents Monday to Thursday 9.30-12.30 to raise your ideas, concerns or seek advice or information.

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