

Successful AGM!

Thanks to everyone who joined us for our AGM in October. It was great to see so many people in the library hearing about the last year's activities and also enjoying a glass of wine!

Elections were held and Kerry Sherwin was elected Chairman for the next year, with Lynn Cavill becoming Vice-Chairman. Toby Sherwin, joined us as a new trustee and has now taken over as secretary and Wendy Morgan remains as our treasurer. Our other trustees are: Harry and Susan Moore, Roger Hunt, Rev Catherine Wagstaff and Jane Welsby. Jane is now the trustee heading up our Supporter's scheme.

We thank all our trustees for their commitment and hard work!

Invitation to our 'THANK YOU' morning!

On **Friday 7th December** all our supporters, organisational representatives, volunteers and trustees are invited to our annual thank you morning!

From 10am to 12 noon pop in for a hot drink and mince pie. We will be having a raffle and a few other surprises too...

At 11am we will be delighted to announce we will be joined by the Mayor of Dawlish, Cllr Lisa Mayne.

Please do come and join us if you can!

Advance Notice—Christmas Closure

We will be closed from 12 noon on Friday 21st December and reopen at 10am on Wednesday 2nd January 2019.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

**Drop in for free help and advice from these organisations over
the next few weeks:**

Assist Teignbridge (Benefits advice especially for the over 65s, volunteering, sitting service)	Tuesday 11th December
Crohns and Colitis UK	Tuesday 27th November
Dawlsh Museum	Thursdays 22nd November and 13th December
Devon Disability Network – Living Options	Wednesday 12th December
Police Officer/PCSO	Every Wednesday 11am to 12noon Operation demands permitting
Scott Richards Solicitors	Monday 3rd December
South West Water Advisor	Wednesday 5th December
Sunflower Bunch – Cancer Support Group	Thursday 6th and 20th December
Town Councillor	Wednesday 5th and 19th December
Chess morning	Friday 30th November and Friday 21st December

**Should you get
a Smart Meter?
What are the benefits?**



**FREE Information
session by *Devon
Communities
Together* at the **Open Daw**
(Foyer of Dawlish Methodist Church)**



**ON: Monday 26th Nov
AT: 10.00 - 12.00**

CEREBRAL PALSY

- Did you know it is the **most common** disability of childhood?
- Sometimes only **one limb** is affected?

An experienced Cerebral Palsy Careworker will be here at the OPEN DAW (foyer of Dawlish Methodist Church) to talk about this condition:

**ON: Friday 14th Dec
AT: 10.30 – 12 NOON**

Don't forget as YOUR local community information centre

we have lots of leaflets and programmes.

We also put event information onto the Love Dawlish website, Facebook and Twitter pages as well as onto the Co-op notice board and waterfowl notice boards.

We also update the electronic event screens across Teignmouth and Dawlish!

So if you know of a local event don't forget to email or give us a poster for lots of FREE publicity!

Did you know Open DAW works in an informal partnership with Assist Teignbridge, Dawlish Community Transport and the Strand Centre?

Recently we have had some joint fund raising events such as 'Call My Bluff' Antiques evening which was held at the Manor House which raised nearly £100 for each of the charities. We also held a joint 1970/80s disco at the Strand Centre and raised £85 for each of the charities.

In 2019 we will be holding some more joint events and have already been requested to hold a 1960s disco!! Thanks to everyone who helps us run these joint events.

GREAT NEWS—SUCCESSFUL GRANTS

Following a £100 grant from Teignbridge District Councillor Martin Wrigley we have been able to purchase some solar lighting for footpath 41 down into the town. Over the past three years we have been campaigning about the state of the footpath and have achieved:

- A grit bin from Devon County Council
- A rubbish bin from Teignbridge District Council
- Tarmac and a handrail for a section of the path - from Devon County Cllr John Clathworthy's Locality Fund.

This £100 grant allows us to buy motion sensor lighting and is being installed by local volunteers and with the agreement of local householders. It is the final part and we are really pleased about it. Look out for photos in our next newsletter!

We have also just been awarded up to £500 from the Incredible Fund to set up a bereavement support group in Teignmouth working with Rosie Dawson of Roots Community Engagement and the Alice Cross Centre. It will start in early 2019. We have also applied for a separate grant to hopefully set up a similar group in Dawlish.

We have also applied for a few other grants for other projects so please keep your fingers crossed that we will be successful!

Forthcoming Events supporting Open DAW!



CASH BINGO!

ALL IN AID OF LOCAL CHARITIES!

Wednesday 19th December
Langstone Cliff Hotel

Doors open 7.15pm, eyes down 8pm

**£10 for 6 games includes a cup of tea and cake
and loads of fun!!**

**Raffle will be in aid of Cockwood Primary School
and the proceeds from the bingo ticket sales go
into a pot to be shared amongst
12 local charities at Christmas!**

Wednesday evenings don't have to be boring!

**We are one of the 12 charities who benefit from the bingo
so if you can join us it will help us!**

**Next year how much is given out to each of the charities will depend on how
many people they can send to the bingo each month so if you can join us for just
one month let us know!**

Please ask Harry or Angie for more details or if you need transport!