

Pillaton Village News

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CHERRY FEAST 2026



Sunday 5th July saw this year's Cherry Feast being held once again at Bush Farm and achieving more record breaking results in terms of profits, and possibly temperature, with the day being blessed by blazing sunshine.

For the full story of this year's Cherry Feast see pages 8 - 11.

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Phew! I'm not sure I'm particularly enjoying the current spate of hot weather. It must be an age thing, I never really used to worry about the heat, particularly having spent time in Malta and Gibraltar as a young boy. During the 1970's, I don't think I even possessed a pair of casual shorts. Jeans were almost compulsory regardless of the temperature outside. I spent a good part of summer 1976 on the roof of a large warehouse doing a painting job for a local builder's merchant and can't ever remember being phased by the heat. In fact, my abiding memory of summer 1976 were the apocalyptic scenes of parched countryside made worse by the ravages of Dutch elm disease which was then running rampant across Britain. I can recall a train journey from Bath to Weymouth that summer, and as the train slowly trundled across Somerset and Dorset, seeing nothing but mile upon mile of dead trees lining the hedgerows. During the 1970s it is estimated that 25 million elm trees succumbed to Dutch elm disease in the UK.

Phew again! England's quarter-final match against Norway in the World Cup was not a pretty affair. Played in great heat in Miami, it was equally draining at home. However, the team are through with Argentina to face in the semi-final, and I suspect by the time most people receive this Village News the result will be known. Hopefully, this time there will have been no divine interference, unlike Maradona's infamous 'Hand of God' incident in 1986.

Just one more, phew! Another Prime Minister on the way. We've been here before. And finally, a wow! What a wonderful result for this year's Cherry Feast with a record breaking profit of nearly £13,000. Congratulations to the organisers and all those volunteers who made it possible.

The next copy date is Monday 7 September - full details on page 23.

Robin Dwane, Editor



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PROCEEDINGS OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 2 JUNE 2026

PRESENT Councillor Warne (Vice Chair), Councillors: Bridgman, Bunkum, Floyd, and Moore. Also in attendance: Christopher Cook - Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer (RFO), Cornwall Cllr. Jim Gale.

APOLOGIES Cllr Dolley (Chairman) (convalescing). Cllr Johnson (holiday).

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

Cllr Warne (Vice Chair) welcomed Councillors to the Meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION Four members of the public were also present.

A clarification of the PA26/00792 planning application discussed at the 7 April meeting was given, stating the charging point is to be situated outside the garage.

Reference was also made to an anonymous objection comment made in person and recorded on the Planning Portal in connection with PA26/00792.

The Cornwall Cllr Jim Gale pointed out that residents were entitled to lodge anonymous comments, and that this was not an uncommon practice. The Clerk confirmed that the Council had carried out their duty of reviewing this Planning Application as a 'consultee,' wherein support was given to the development save for one condition which the applicant has since addressed direct with the Planning Officer.

MINUTES

The draft minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 5 May 2026 were approved.

MATTERS ARISING None.

REPORT BY CORNWALL COUNCILLOR JAMES GALE

Cornwall Cllr Gale reported on the following:

- Cornwall Council reviewing a cost-cutting exercise which may result in redundancies.
- Two motions brought in connection with urban transport for young adults and overcrowding on buses which included health and safety aspects, and an issue regarding the poor condition of road markings (give-way and double yellow lines), had both been unsuccessful. It was agreed that in respect to the road markings issue the budget for this work could increase from £40k to £225k annually.
- Points were addressed in connection with the Cornwall Environmental Policy team and carbon footprint situation. New Planning Regulations due for release in the Summer 2026 were under review and that specific softening of regulations regarding Housing developments seemed to be a priority level.
- Cllr Gale has a number of enforcement issues being addressed and is now a member of the Strategic Planning Committee that deals with enforcement matters, which include solar panel developments.

Editor's Note - These are abbreviated notes on the proceedings of Pillaton Parish Council meetings; full versions of the draft minutes from each meetings can be found on the village website.

FINANCE

The Council approved the following payments: Clerk's salary £150.00, Contractual Office Allowance £26.00, Bank charges £4.25, Zurich Municipal insurance premium £415.52, Gary Bridgman replacement seating post £240.00. Total £835.77.

PLANNING No new applications.

CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

Recreation Field Maintenance Cllr Warne (Vice Chair) advised that the annual RoSPA inspection play equipment report was due in June.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Defibrillator Cllr Warne (Vice Chair) advised that the regular check had been carried out on the equipment, and reports that all is in order.

Fly Tipping No significant fly-tipping to report.

Safeguarding No reports.

Neighbourhood Development Plan & Parish Plan Deferred until July 2026 review including the revised Neighbourhood Priority Statement which the Council is not obliged to complete.

CLERK'S ITEMS

The Clerk mentioned the Public Spaces Protection Order renewals which Cornwall Council are addressing in connection with dog related orders. A consultation period is open for Councils to comment on the following: Dog fouling, Dog Exclusion Order, Dogs on Leads, and Dogs on Leads by direction.

PROCEEDINGS OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7 JULY 2026

PRESENT Councillor Dolley (Chairman) Councillors: Bridgman, Floyd, Johnson, Moore & Warne (Vice Chair). Also in attendance: Christopher Cook - Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer (RFO).

APOLOGIES Cornwall Cllr. Jim Gale (conflicting meeting), Cllr Bunkum (apologies).

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS Cllr Dolley (Chair) welcomed Councillors to the Meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION Three members of the public were also present. A resident congratulated the Cornwall Councillor and Parish Council in achieving the repair work to the coping stones etc at Clapper Bridge, commenting that the repairs were very good as carried out by the structures team for Cornwall Council.

MINUTES

The draft minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 2 June 2026 were approved.

MATTERS ARISING None.

REPORT BY CORNWALL COUNCILLOR JAMES GALE No report this month.

FINANCE

The following payments were approved: Clerk's salary £150, Contractual Office Allowance £26, Bank charges £4.25, Playpark strimming £75; Total £255.25.

PLANNING

Planning Applications One new application received.

PA26/03454 Rowse Farm – Listed building consent for replacement of 3 defective casement windows. Councillors resolved to support this application.

Planning Application Decisions Two received.

PA26/00793 & 00792 Pillaton Barton Farm House - Listed building consent for installation of solar panels to 1980's to detached double garage, including storage batteries/inverter within the garage and external vehicle charging point. Both approved 25 June 2026.

CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

Cllr Dolley stated that the bench situated by the telephone box required a few remedial repairs to the wooden bars. The Chairman and Vice Chairman would investigate further.

COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Defibrillator Cllr Warne (Vice Chair) advised that the defibrillator was recently deployed following an incident in the village.

Fly Tipping No further incidents.

Playground equipment Cllr Johnson confirmed that new equipment had been ordered from Kompan with installation to take place end of July 2026 with

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<i>Friday 21st August</i>	<i>Monday 23rd November</i>
<i>Monday 21st September</i>	<i>Friday 11th December</i>

£16,672.84 being transferred from the Village Hall Committee to the Parish Council as a donation to settle the Kompan invoice and recover the VAT element £2,778.80 due 31 March 2027. The VAT amount, when recovered, would be ringfenced as further funds for play equipment and assets. The RoSPA inspection of play equipment will now take place during August after the new equipment has been installed.

Safeguarding Cllr Johnson had been advised of a safeguarding incident in the village, but it was NOT Parish Council related. No further information will be made available for confidentiality and legal reasons.

Neighbourhood Development Plan & Parish Plan Deferred until May 2027 review including the revised Neighbourhood Priority Statement which the Council is not obliged to complete, and Councillors considered further the relevance of a Neighbourhood Priority Statement in light of forthcoming Planning reforms.

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Date	Amount	Number	Winner
4 May 2026	£101	129	Louise Tate
1 June 2026	£102	71	Richard Bruton
6 July 2026	£102	48	Richard Harnett

NEXT DRAW 3 AUGUST 2026

PILLATON VILLAGE HALL CIO 200 CLUB

Are you aware/do you know of the Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club, which is drawn on the first Monday of each month and raises funds for the upkeep and maintenance of the Village Hall.

We have been running the Club since November 2020 and would very much like you to join us.

If you would like to participate by having a number(s) in the draw, it is £24 per annum for one number. £12 goes to the prize fund and £12 to the Village Hall.

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REMEMBER.... You have to be in it to win it!!!



CHERRY FEAST 2026



What an amazing day we had on Sunday 5th July. We had been a bit nervous about the forecast looking so sunny, as it often means people head to the beach instead, but maybe because the sun is less of a novelty this year after the recent heatwaves, it was a big draw on the day, There was a fantastic buzz, and we smashed more records again this year.

The Fun Dog Show brought in a lot of four-legged friends (and their owners) to vie for waggiest tail and prettiest eyes and was - as always - a good draw. The warm weather meant everyone was thirsty, so the (well stocked) bar ran dry (twice!) and had to be restocked. The Hot Strip Food Court and the Bush Farm Pizza van both sold out of everything (despite upping numbers from last year),



Spectators at the Fun Dog Show

and the ever-popular Tea Tent and Cherries did a massive trade in dispensing delicious delicacies to the hungry hordes.

We reorganised the musical entertainment this year, with The Callington Band performing two lovely sets on the Tea Tent side of the field. As there were 24 of them performing, and they have big instruments, they had the sole use of the main



Wasson Singers (folk/shanty singers)

Performance Tent for the day. Meanwhile the shanty-singing Wasson group and Bush Farm's very own "Bushfire" band drew the crowds to the "stage" (a well-placed sturdy trailer) between the Bar and the Hot Strip. Having the closing band was an excellent addition, as it kept the crowds lingering (and drinking!) well after the official close and made for a great atmosphere for those helping with the clearing and packing up.

Running an event means you always have to be prepared for the unexpected and last minute changes are an occupational hazard. Unfortunately, on the day, the planned piglets and goats were uncooperative, but we did have some gorgeous chocolate Alpacas standing in, and the Sheep Racing was as hilarious as always. Besides, the smaller visitors had plenty to keep them occupied – Emazdad gave his final magical performance (he's retiring this year, and will leave big shoes to fill); much fun was had on the Bouncy Castle; many faces were beautifully painted by Jo; and the School Tent provided lots of fun in the shape of Hook-a-Duck, Poo-in-the-Loo, Splat-the-Rat, Beat-the-Goalie and more. The bonus was Alison Prangley's delightful Field Mice Treasure Hunt, which brought the visitors to every stall in search of them.

There were also some fabulous items to buy and win too. The Plant Stall broke all records with a fabulous display of Kernock Park Plants' (winners of a coveted Silver Gilt at the Chelsea Flower Show) plants on offer. Old favourite Pretty Things (jewellery, bags and scarves) and the new Pretty Little Things (clothes) provided many lovely bargains for the fashionistas, while Lady Dawn's Corner of Chance was doing brisk trade with the Tombola, Lucky Dip, Wine Wheel and Bag-a-Bargain. Les's Tool Sale was very popular, and Debbie expanded many a library with her book sales. And of course, the ever-popular Cake stall provided a sumptuous selection of delicious homemade cakes.

What a fantastic day, which produced a truly amazing financial result with a profit of nearly £13,000, easily surpassing last years previous record breaking total by more than £3,000. Along with the proceeds of the significant efforts before the day itself (advertising revenues in the programme, raffle ticket sales at Carkeel and in the villages, and generous donations), the gross revenue (before any costs) for the Cherry Feast this year was over £17,000, which is a mind-boggling amount for a relatively small community. The full breakdown for this year is shown on the right.

Heartfelt thanks are due to many – to all the visitors, for turning up and spending your money (we hope you had a lovely time); to our sponsors, advertisers and donors, who bolstered the coffers considerably; to Stuart and Suzy for providing the great venue at Bush Farm and all their work behind the scenes; to the weather gods, for shining down on us; and to the many, many volunteers who worked so hard planning, building, baking, making, serving (and not forgetting clearing up!), not just on the day itself, but in the days, weeks and months leading up to the Cherry Feast to make the day such a success – we couldn't do it without you. Also, to Kirsty, Barry and the rest of the Committee for holding it all together and keeping the wheels turning smoothly. We're very privileged and proud to be part of a community that can come together to deliver something so special and amazing. Thank you all.

Beth Bailey

CHERRY FEAST 2026 RESULTS	
Revenues	
<i>Gross Sales on Day</i>	<i>£14,137.93</i>
<i>Pre Sales</i>	<i>£2,978.85</i>
<i>Post Donation</i>	<i>£50.00</i>
	£17,166.78
Costs	
<i>Total Stall Costs*</i>	<i>£2,731.43</i>
<i>Entertainment</i>	<i>£860.00</i>
<i>Marketing</i>	<i>£301.05</i>
<i>Raffle Prizes</i>	<i>£400.00</i>
<i>Quiz Prize</i>	<i>£9.95</i>
<i>* includes some general</i>	£4,302.43
NET PROFIT 2026	£12,864.35
2025 Net Profit	£9,700.83

Cherry Feast Sales on the day by activity (excludes all pre-day activity)	Total Sales	Costs	Net Total
<i>Entrance</i>	<i>£1,879.40</i>		<i>£1,879.40</i>
<i>Raffle</i>	<i>£1,204.00</i>		<i>£1,204.00</i>
<i>Pizzas</i>	<i>£500.00</i>		<i>£500.00</i>
<i>Hot Strip</i>	<i>£2,187.00</i>	<i>£982.10</i>	<i>£1,204.90</i>
<i>Bar</i>	<i>£1,844.00</i>	<i>£686.39</i>	<i>£1,157.61</i>
<i>Lady Dawn</i>	<i>£377.10</i>		<i>£377.10</i>
<i>Tools</i>	<i>£285.00</i>		<i>£285.00</i>
<i>Books</i>	<i>£104.00</i>		<i>£104.00</i>
<i>Pretty Little Things</i>	<i>£287.46</i>		<i>£287.46</i>
<i>Pretty Things</i>	<i>£210.50</i>		<i>£210.50</i>
<i>Plants</i>	<i>£800.80</i>		<i>£800.80</i>
<i>School</i>	<i>£216.35</i>		<i>£216.35</i>
<i>Face Painting</i>	<i>£75.50</i>		<i>£75.50</i>
<i>Bouncy Castle</i>	<i>£301.80</i>	<i>£200.76</i>	<i>£101.04</i>
<i>Cakes</i>	<i>£603.50</i>		<i>£603.50</i>
<i>Tea Team (incl cherries)</i>	<i>£2,899.52</i>	<i>£843.07</i>	<i>£2,056.45</i>
<i>Sheep and Goats</i>	<i>£136.00</i>		<i>£136.00</i>
<i>Dogs</i>	<i>£226.00</i>		<i>£226.00</i>
2026 Cherry Feast Totals	£14,137.93	£2,712.32	£11,425.61
<i>2025 Totals</i>	<i>£9,658.35</i>	<i>£1,651.10</i>	<i>£7,675.75</i>

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VISIT TO KERNOCK PARK PLANTS

A tour hosted by Bruce Harnett of Kernock Park Plants was given to the Pillaton Gardening Club in May.

Kernock Park Plants was started by Richard and Jan Harnett in the early 80's growing lettuce, tomatoes and Summer patio plants, then adding alpinines, herbs and fuchsias, it has grown from the first glasshouse in 1990 to around 6 acres where production, stock plants and despatching of wholesale trays and pots takes place. Today, Kernock is one of the best innovative young wholesale plant producers in the UK.

We started this year's tour in the plant trial area. Bruce and Bob, the production director, explained that it can take 3-4 years of rigorous trials in the tunnels and outdoor beds before plants can make it into their wholesale catalogue. We were able to look around the tunnel at both the unusual and recognisable plants and wandered through the outdoor trial area. After very welcome refreshments on a lovely warm and sunny afternoon, and a look around Richard and Jan's personal garden we continued on to the unique propagation area of one of the world's oldest and rarest plants. There was a short tour of the production area and the Insta Plant living displays, designed using computer technology, creating a picture or 3D model with carpet bedding. One of these displays can be seen at the entrance to their site.

It was another successful year at the Chelsea Flower Show as Kernock were awarded a silver-gilt medal and had 2 new plants of the year on the shortlist.

We were given the opportunity to purchase some of these new plants shown at Chelsea, the most popular being *Lewisia Sunset Glow*. The proceeds from the plant sales plus a donation from Kernock meant that £250 was donated to the Village Hall playground equipment fund.

A big thank you to Bruce, Bob and Richard for their time, patience and extensive knowledge of this fascinating business.

2026 is the 40th Anniversary of the Pillaton Gardening Club Summer Show where pretty much anything you have made in the last year can be entered as all kinds of arts, crafts and gardening classes are included. Let's get making and growing ready for September and make this a show to remember.

Tracy Kennedy and Carole Hoskin



*The display at the entrance
to Kernock Park Plants*

PILLATON PLAY – FUNDING SUCCESS

Great news! The Pillaton Playing Field Support Group has now raised sufficient funds for the purchase of the Kompan children's multi-purpose Four Towers Bridges activity centre to replace the old and condemned item, now removed. The item has been ordered, and it is hoped installation will be completed mid/end August. For a few days during installation, it will be necessary to fence off the playing field for safety reasons; we will try to keep this disruption to a minimum.

The cost of the centre is £16,673 including VAT. As well as individual donations (including GoFundMe) and money raised from events, the bulk of funding has been achieved by successful grant applications from:

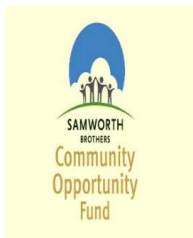
- Cornwall Community Foundation, Howton Solar Farm Fund and Playground Fund - £7,000
- Samworth Brothers Community Opportunity Fund - £3,602
- Norman Family Charitable Trust - £2,500

The Playing Field Support Group is extremely grateful indeed to these organisations for their generous financial support.

In addition, the Pillaton Village Hall CIO has generously donated £2,697.

We hope to have a formal Opening Ceremony once the new activity centre is installed.

*Peter R Johnson
Chairman, Pillaton Playing Field Support Group*



HERITAGE OPEN DAYS

Heritage Open Days are happening 11th to 20th September. This year's theme is "Everyday Histories". We're hoping to organise something in the church during this event, and Friends of St Odulph will be staging an exhibition of the plans for making the church a welcoming and useful space. Your views will be important, especially as many folk are new to the Village. No details yet, so please keep an eye on the village Facebook group and notice boards.

ST. MELLION WITH PILLATON ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING - 3 MAY 2026

Rev. Lesley Valiant welcomed those attending the APCM with an opening prayer.

Present: Rev. Lesley Valiant (Chair), PCC members, Ann Henderson, Pam Lowther, Vivienne Malsom, Terry Valiant, Kirsteen Mims and Jim Bennet, and 10 members of the congregation.

Apologies: Clare Page, Alison Downing, Annette Rickard, Francesca Woodman, Ian Edwards, Jennifer Woollins.

ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

Churchwarden: One nomination, Vivienne Malsom, had been received for the position of Churchwarden to serve the parish and operate in both St Mellion and Pillaton churches. As the only candidate, proposed by Jim Bennet, seconded by Ann Henderson, and unanimously approved, Vivienne Malsom was duly elected to serve as Churchwarden for the year 2026-27.

The meeting of Parishioners was then closed.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Rev. Lesley asked Ann Henderson to be take the minutes – agreed.

1. **Minutes** of the 2025 meeting were corrected to make it clear that Lesley Valiant is a priest with permission to officiate in the Parish and not a Lay Reader. They were then proposed a true record by Vivienne Malsom: seconded by Pam Lowther, agreed by all and signed by Rev. Lesley.
2. **Matters arising:** The partial Joint Councils, voted on at the 2025 APCM, are no longer happening.
3. **Presentation of reports:** The 2025 Annual Report had been previously displayed on the Benefice website, the link to the Report posted to the Pillaton and St. Mellion Pillaton Hub Facebook pages and emailed to individual members of the congregation. Printed copies were available to those attending the APCM.
4. **Safeguarding Policy:** The Benefice Safeguarding Policy has been reviewed prior to the Annual meeting and agreed “Fit for purpose” by the PCC. See minutes of PCC meeting 17 March 2026. All PCC members now have Level 1 training, and Churchwarden has enhanced training.
5. **Electoral roll:** The position of electoral roll officer is now held by Francesca Woodman. Following the pre APCM revision, there are 67 names on the electoral roll.
6. **Financial Report:** The post of Treasurer is now covered by a Finance Committee of Kirsteen Mims, Terry Valiant, Vivienne Malsom. and Jim Bennet. Terry Valiant highlighted some of the salient points; MMF has been paid in full at £8000. During questions, Helen Edwards asked if the timber from the recently felled beech tree may be sold. The response was that the contractors have taken most of the wood as part payment, but some has been kept to make a seat (or similar) as a memento, The adoption of the accounts was agreed at a vote at the

PCC meeting of 20 April. (see minutes), Independent auditor: Nigel Cummings is willing to continue as independent auditor of the church accounts.

7. **Deanery Synod:** The term of office for Deanery Synod runs for 3 years from 1 July 2026 to July 2029, there are vacancies for 3 representatives but only 1 nomination: Kirsteen Mims.

8. **Churchwarden's report:** Vivienne Malsom briefly highlighted points from her reports, including various emergency repairs completed and the new vestry floor at St. Melanus. The quinquennial inspections will be due in 2027. She also advised those present that the pattern of services across the parish has been maintained despite the incumbent's post being vacant, thanks particularly to Revd Lesley, Debbie Crocker, and Terry Valiant. (The post has not yet been advertised as there are ongoing discussions about the Deanery and the way forward.) Vivienne thanked the PCC, Friends of St Odulph and the Cherry Feast Committee for their support. She has noted comments from the Comments books in both churches from visitors who have appreciated finding the churches open and welcoming.

9. **Nominations and elections to the PCC:** all current members are willing to stand again. The PCC members for 2026-27 are therefore: Jim Bennet, Alison Downing, Pamela Lowther, Annette Rickard, Ann Henderson, Terry Valiant, Clare Page, Kirsteen Mims, Francesca Woodman and Churchwarden Vivienne Malsom.

10. **Sides persons and Chalice Assistants:** Revd Lesley asked everyone present to consider helping out at services either as sides persons to "Meet and Greet", hand out hymn books etc; or as Chalice Assistants at Communion services, for which some training is required. A list will be made available in each church for people to put down their names.

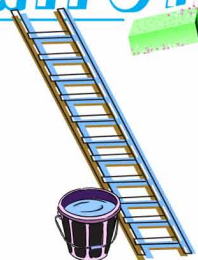
Revd Lesley thanked everyone for coming, and Terry proposed a vote of thanks to Vivienne for her leadership and commitment as Churchwarden, everyone warmly applauded. Before closing the APCM Revd Lesley finished with prayers.

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>SERVICE/EVENT</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>
12 Jul	Sunday	1000	Morning Praise	St Mellion
		1000	Holy Communion	St Dominic
19 Jul	Sunday	1000	Holy Communion	Pillaton
21 Jul	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Mellion
26 Jul	Sunday	1000	Holy Communion	St Mellion
		1000	Contemporary Celtic Worship	St Dominic
28 Jul	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Dominic
02 Aug	Sunday	1000	Morning Praise	Pillaton
		1800	Cornish Evening Prayer	Halton Quay
09 Aug	Sunday	1000	Holy Communion	St Dominic
		1000	Morning Praise	St Mellion
16 Aug	Sunday	1000	Holy Communion	Pillaton
23 Aug	Sunday	1000	Contemporary Celtic Worship	St Dominic
		1000	Holy Communion	St Mellion
30 Aug	Sunday	1000	United Benefice Service	South Hill
01 Sep	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	Pillaton
06 Sep	Sunday	1000	Morning Praise	Pillaton
		1800	Cornish Evening Prayer	Halton Quay
13 Sep	Sunday	1000	Holy Communion	St Dominic
		1000	Morning Praise	St Mellion
15 Sep	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Mellion
20 Sep	Sunday	1000	Holy Communion	Pillaton
22 Sep	Tuesday	0930	Holy Communion	St Dominic
27 Sep	Sunday	1000	Contemporary Celtic Worship	St Dominic
		1000	Holy Communion	St Mellion

BENEFICE CONTACT DETAILS

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For all matters concerning the church, timings of services, and enquiries regarding baptisms, weddings, and funerals, visit the Benefice website at:

www.sites.google.com/tamar7.org/tamar-valley-benefice

WASTE AND RECYCLING DATES

Wed 15 Jul	Food/Recycling	Wed 19 Aug	Food/Rubbish
Tue 21 Jul	Garden Waste	Wed 26 Aug	Food/Recycling
Wed 22 July	Food/Rubbish	Tue 01 Sep	Garden Waste
Wed 29 Jul	Food/Recycling	Wed 02 Sep	Food/Rubbish
Tue 4 Aug	Garden Waste	Wed 09 Sep	Food/Recycling
Wed 5 Aug	Food/Rubbish	Tue 15 Sep	Garden Waste
Wed 12 Aug	Food/Recycling	Wed 16 Sep	Food/Rubbish
Tue 18 Aug	Garden Waste	Wed 23 Sep	Food/Recycling

Pillaton Village Diary

Sun 2 Aug	Summer Barbecue, Rick Park Farm
Mon 3 Aug	Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw
Sat 8 Aug	Murder Mystery, 'Pushing Up The Daisies,' Pillaton Village Hall
Tue 1 Sep	Parish Council Meeting, Pillaton Village Hall
Sat 5 Sep	Pillaton Gardening Club Spring Show, Pillaton Village Hall
Mon 7 Sep	Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw
Sat 26 Sep	Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning, Pillaton Village Hall
Mon 5 Oct	Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw
Tue 6 Oct	Parish Council Meeting, Pillaton Village Hall
Sun 25 Oct	Pumpkin Festival, Pillaton Village Hall
Mon 2 Nov	Pillaton Village Hall 200 Club Draw
Tue 3 Nov	Parish Council Meeting, Pillaton Village Hall
Sat 5 Dec	Christmas Quiz Night, Weary Friar

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