South Hams District Council Report March 2023

We are now heading towards spring and longer days as the clocks have now moved to Summer time. The Council elections are not far away and those standing for council election need to submit and have their forms approved by Tuesday 4th April at 4 p.m.

Please note that those voting in person at their local polling station will need to take their I.D. with them. That is a passport, driving license with photo I.D.bus pass or any other form of I.D. which has your photo on it. It does not have to be in date as long as it is recognisable. The easiest way to vote without I.D. is by postal vote. Apply for this form of voting by 18/04. If anyone is not registered to vote and wishes to do so apply by 17/04.It is possible to get voter I.D. On line from S.H.D.C. offices .you will need your N.I. Number and date of birth.Tele.01803 861434 and apply before 25/04.

The brown bin collection of garden waste has been running since the 1st Monday in March. It is going very well with very few missed collections. I have not received 1 phone call as opposed to several all the time previously.

There is more help with the cost of living .Government funding is available to help support households without direct relations to an electric supplier. You can apply for a £400.00 lump sum. This would include Park homes residents, social and private landlords on a commercial supply. Farmhouses used wholly for domestic purposes. The money will be paid direct into the resident`s account. Apply via government helpline 08081753287. There is always help via The Citizens Advice South Hams .And help is available from them for assistance with budgeting, money, debt, energy advice ,the list is endless. Call Monday/ Friday 08082787948. Or [www.southhamscab.org.uk/get-advice](http://www.southhamscab.org.uk/get-advice).

Many of you will be making arrangements for the king`s Coronation, organising events both Parish and street parties/events etc...I am involved in organising the children`s tea party at the Scout Hut on the afternoon of Sunday 7th May. From 3/5p.m.for children from the village or attending the village school age 3 /11.

Take care and stay safe. Best wishes,

Rosemary.