

Goodleigh Parish Council
County Councillors Report

July 2025

Summer Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme.

The Government-funded scheme provides activities and nutritional meals over the holidays for children aged five to 16 who receive benefits-related free school meals.

If your child is not eligible for benefits-related free school meals they still may be able to access activities under the ‘extended criteria.’

More information about the extended criteria on [information for parents and carers on our children, families and education](#) webpage.

It is now possible to [book activities](#) online. The new EEQU system displays all the holiday activities on offer, with links detailing where and when the activity is, how to get there and other important information. Once you’ve applied the booking system will carry out an instant assessment of their eligibility to attend. If eligible, you will receive a confirmation of the booking and you will be sent reminders ahead of the session.

If you need to cancel its easy to do and will free up the slot allowing those on the waiting list the chance to book.

There are over 100 holiday activity providers around Devon who provide a wide range of activities for children and young people.

From arts and crafts workshops to sports and outdoor activities, the programme is designed to keep children engaged, active, and well-nourished during the school break. All clubs will be operating for a minimum of four hours and will include a hot meal.

One of the venues available is the Calvert Trust which offers a range of activities and is a great opportunity to try something new.

North Devon Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC) Reuse Hub

Skilled technicians will thoroughly clean and refurbish a wide range of white goods such as refrigerators, freezers and washing machines which will then be distributed to reuse shops in our Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRCs) across the county for resale.

The refurbished items will be safety and function tested to ensure they meet safety and quality standards.

Depending on availability, the refurbished appliances are now being sold at Devon Reuse Shops in the following HWRCs: Bideford, Brunel Road in Newton Abbot, Marsh

Barton Exeter, Ivybridge, Knowle Hill in Exmouth, Pinbrook Road in Exeter, Sidmouth, and **Seven Brethren in Barnstaple**.

Each appliance will each have a 30-day money back guarantee.

Initially set up in September 2023 to safety test small electrical items such as radios, televisions, and electric lamps for resale, the hub then began refurbishing bikes.

The expansion of the reuse hub follows a major recycling milestone being reached. As of last autumn, more than 10,000 tonnes of discarded everyday items, such as bikes, televisions, and furniture, have been diverted for reuse since 2012 thanks to our recycling centres.

The DCC website is very useful for reporting highway problems and the reports go straight to the contractor. [Report a problem - Roads and transport](#)

Alternatively, the highway contact number is 0345 155 1004

If it's a river flooding the environment agency can be contacted on 0345 988 1188

Winter road updates; <https://www.devon.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/safe-travel/winter-travel/>

Travel Devon website; [home - Travel Devon](#)

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