

# Open Meeting 19.10.21

**Welcome and Thank you all for  
attending.**

Please feel free to comment or ask questions during the presentations.

- ❖ **Write down your thoughts on the Post It notes provided.**
- ❖ **Or use the chat if you are using Zoom.**
- ❖ **Or hold up your hand if you wish to speak.**
- ❖ **Use the hand facility on Zoom or just wave to me.**

# Dartmoor Line Survey Report



# Background to the Survey.

- ▶ Sampford Courtenay Parish Council, jointly with North Tawton Town Council and Bondleigh Parish Council have formed a working group to co-ordinate a response that understands the needs and wishes of the communities north & east of Okehampton and make representations and undertake negotiations with train companies regarding the feasibility of opening Sampford Courtenay Station alongside the future plans for the new Okehampton Parkway.
- ▶ In order to collate the views and interest from the residents a survey has been undertaken and this report gives an outline of the responses received.

# Why people currently use their cars..

- ▶ 66% of people indicated more than one reason for using their cars -
- ▶ over 60% indicated that they had no other options due to their rural location,
- ▶ 43% indicated it just wasn't practical to use public transport,
- ▶ 31% of which indicated that it was because currently public transport did not fit with their work times

# Would people use the train?

- ▶ 53% of people indicated that they were highly likely or potentially likely to use the Dartmoor train line to commute to work
- ▶ This increased to 61% if the station at Sampford Courtenay were to open
- ▶ Over 88% of people indicated that they were highly likely or potentially likely to use the train line for other journeys in the future
- ▶ This increased to 91% if the station at Sampford Courtenay were to open
- ▶ Almost 92% of people indicated a likelihood of using the train if an improved transport system were in place

# What factors would encourage people to use the train?

- ▶ The key themes for peoples reasons for using the trainline were grouped into -
- ▶ Cost,
- ▶ Convenience,
- ▶ Environmental
- ▶ and Other

# What next?

- ▶ This Report will be presented to Oke Rail Forum on 21<sup>st</sup> October.
- ▶ Be forwarded to NWR to inform their feasibility on the re-opening of Sampford Courtenay Station, and other local stations.
- ▶ Inform negotiations between DCC and GWR for better public transport links.



# Hot off the press!!!

- Services from Okehampton to Exeter start on Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 2021

Okehampton Exeter

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**Cheapest** Single fares from £8.00

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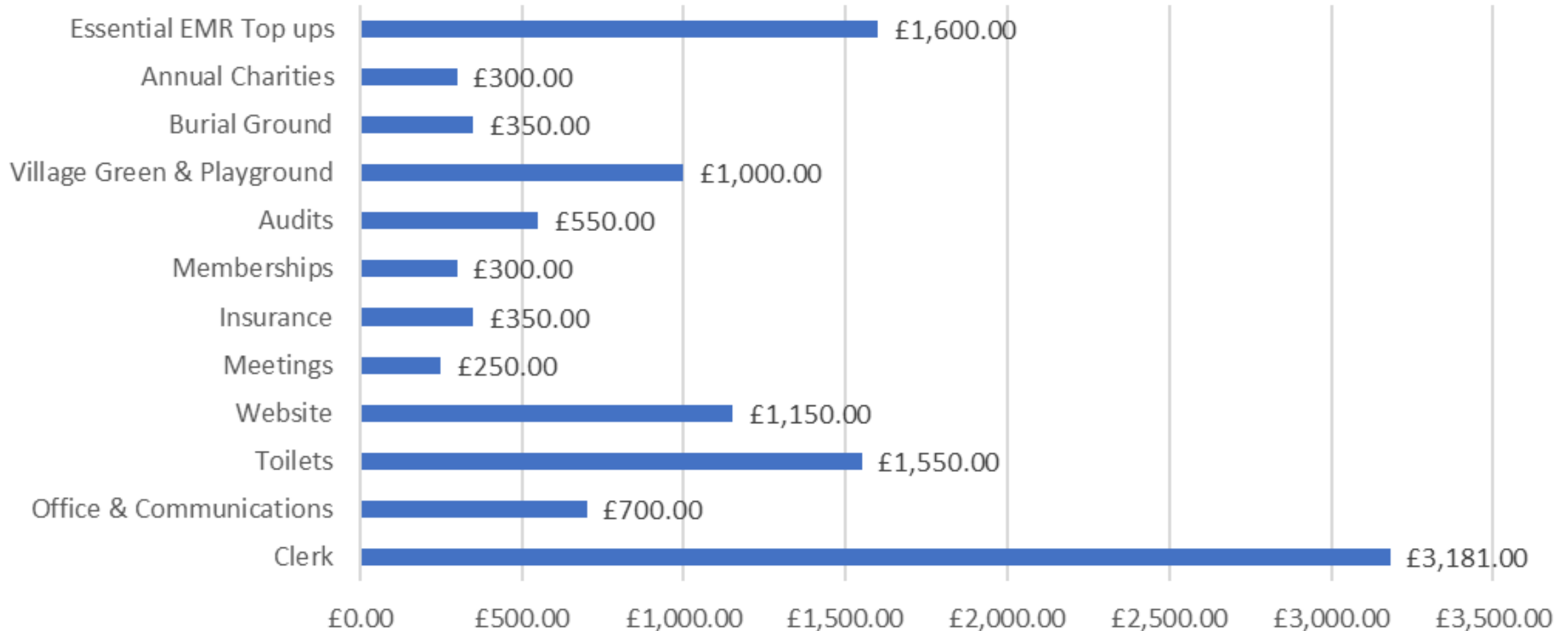
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# SCPC - Autumn Review - Cllr Michele Wilson

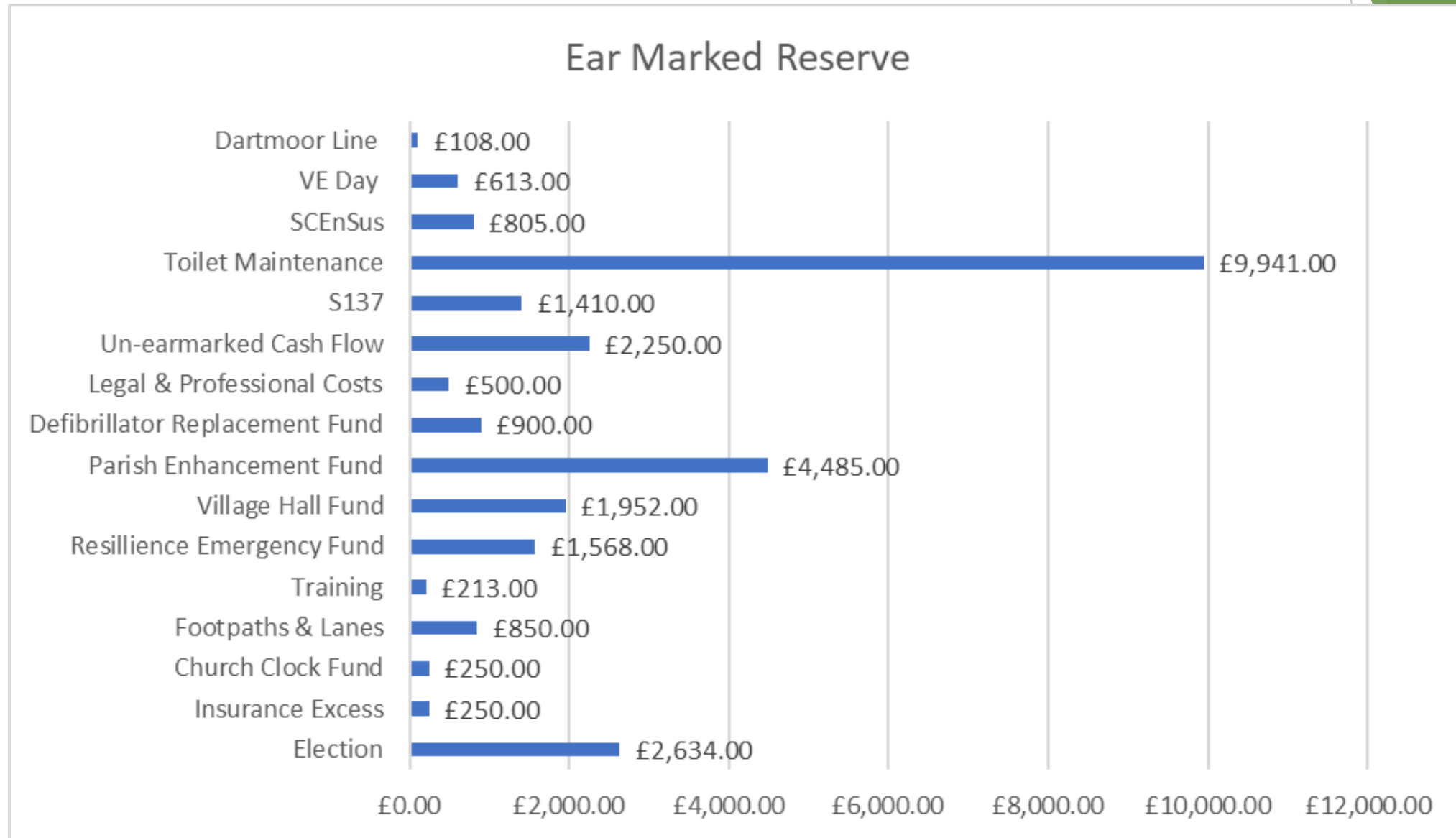


# What the Precept pays for....

## General Expenditure



# Ear marked Reserves for specific projects



# Parish Plan Priorities 2021 -22

- ▶ Improved Public Convenience facilities to include Equalities Act Compliance
- ▶ Acknowledging the Counties and Borough Environmental emergency plans
- ▶ Development of the Village Green to enhance social and ecological experiences for the community
- ▶ Work with Neighbouring Parishes to collaboratively achieve the environmental and economic benefits of opening Sampford Courtenay Station on the New Dartmoor Line
- ▶ Delivering improved telecom/ internet services for parishioners which are affordable and meet the needs of both individuals and businesses.
- ▶ Deliver safer roads within the Parish both for local people and visitors
- ▶ Work to support the Village Hall Trustees
- ▶ Install Defibrillator into the Telephone box in the Square



# Public Convenience - up-date



# SCEnSus - ideas to make the parish more sustainable - what we already do or have done

- ▶ SCPC meetings - almost paperless now with Projector and Screen.
- ▶ Zoom - allowing parishioners to attend meetings remotely.
- ▶ SCPC actively support and encourage Sustainable Planning Applications
- ▶ Bi Annual Litter Pick and Balsam Clearance
- ▶ Peat Free Compost initiative for Potato in a Bucket Challenge
- ▶ Community Garden - Bug Hotel , Wild Flower Garden and Bulb Planting
- ▶ Community Hub - newly signed Noticeboards at bus shelters
- ▶ Plant Stall - for Plant and Produce swops.

# General litter and Dog poo bin





# Some ideas we could try - what do you think?

- ▶ LED lighting for Public Toilets, Village Hall and Church rooms?
- ▶ Solar Electricity for Public Toilets?
- ▶ Plant a Tree for the Queen's Green Canopy - if so where? The only public space SCPC own is the Village Green - is there a local landowner who has somewhere to plant trees?
- ▶ Anyone willing to volunteer to become a Wildflower and Wildlife warden and perhaps organise a seasonal "Treasure Hunt" around the parish to identify our local flora and fauna?
- ▶ Anyone willing to hand weed the cobbles on the Village Green and the Square?

# Buy some benches to enhance the Village Green



**£415**



**£405**

# More ideas...

- ▶ Street Recycling Bins

This one is priced at £550 .

If you like the idea - how should SCPC Finance it?



Give us your ideas - now on a post it  
or later via a councillor or clerk



# Village Hall update Cllr Mike Carpenter



# Fund Raising for Roof-Us, so far...

Funding	Totals
Village Hall Reserves	£12,000
Gift Aid and Donations	£10,444
Events since Oct 2020	£7,891
Covid Grants	£19,003
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£47,635</b>

Since these figures were calculated we have also had one or two other events including the talk by John Volanthen about the Thai cave rescue, so the totals will be a bit higher.

Fabulous new windows in main hall – many thanks to Mike for all he did to organise the work and to Mark Hedges and his team for the great job.

Have you noticed the new Windows?



# Village Hall Constitution

- ▶ Our charitable status and the trustees' role are defined in our Constitution. One of the cornerstones of the Constitution is that trustees should maintain and improve the building for the benefit of the community.



# Currently planned for the rest of 2021 - 2022....

- ▶ **30 October: Pumpkin Trail**, with soup and cake – similar to last year
- ▶ **20 November: Come, buy and chat**, with a free **Domestic Energy Efficiency workshop** given by Devon Communities Together and Citizens' Advice Bureau
- ▶ **11 December: Christmas Cheer** – the third year for this extremely popular family event ... almost entirely down to the hard work put in by Marion and Michele (ably assisted by Bill and Andy)!
- ▶ We hope to have another **Big Breakfast** in the spring and continue with our bi-monthly **Come, buy and chats**. Also hopefully other regulars in the calendar such as **the dog show, curry night and open gardens**

# Would you like to help? ....

- ▶ Working group to organise events associated with the **Queen's jubilee**. Roger, Mel and Philip are kindly representing the Village Hall. Please speak to/contact them if you are interested in being involved
- ▶ **24 June 2022: Summer Ball**
- ▶ **2022 calendar** for sale (copies available tonight) for £7.50 – lovely photos taken locally by members of our community and judged for us by a professional photographer
- ▶ **Have you got any suggestions for future events or activities?**

# St Andrew's Church update - Malcolm Craig



# Up coming Church Events

- ▶ **Armistice Day in the Square Thursday November 11th at 10.45**
- ▶ **Remembrance Sunday Service - St Andrew's Church - Sunday November 14th at 9.30**
- ▶ **Candlelit Carol service Sunday St Andrew's Church Sunday 19th December at 6.30**
- ▶ **Christmas Bazaar Saturday 4th December - Church Rooms 2 - 4pm**

# Queen's Platinum Jubilee - Jun 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> 22

DAY	NATIONAL EVENTS	SAMPFORD COURTENAY
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Trooping the Colour &amp; Flypast</li><li>• Lighting of Beacons</li></ul>	
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thanksgiving Service - St Pauls</li></ul>	
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Visit to The Derby</li><li>• Party at the Palace</li></ul>	
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Big Jubilee Lunch</li><li>• Jubilee Pageant</li></ul>	

# What would you like to do?

- ▶ Would you like to volunteer to join a Working Party to help organise the parish celebrations?
- Variety Show and Meal at Village Hall ?
- Best Dressed House Competition?
- Street Party Lunch?
- Fancy Dress Parade from 1952 – 2022?
- Thanks Giving Church Service?
- Lighting of a Beacon?
- Piper and Town Crier?

SCPC have proposed buying a Jubilee bench with the EMR funds raised for VE Day

**£500 including  
Plaque**

**Would you  
support this  
proposal?**





# Broadband update - Cllr Michele Wilson





- ▶ Airband have been contracted by the Government to our Area
- ▶ BT - are undertaking the USO (Universal Service Obligation)
- ▶ Open Reach - are running their own commercial scheme in this area - this does not involve any government funding.
  
- ▶ All of these schemes are to provide Fibre to your premises - you can then choose which Provider to sign up with for your Broadband packages.

# Fibre to the Premises Parish Map's

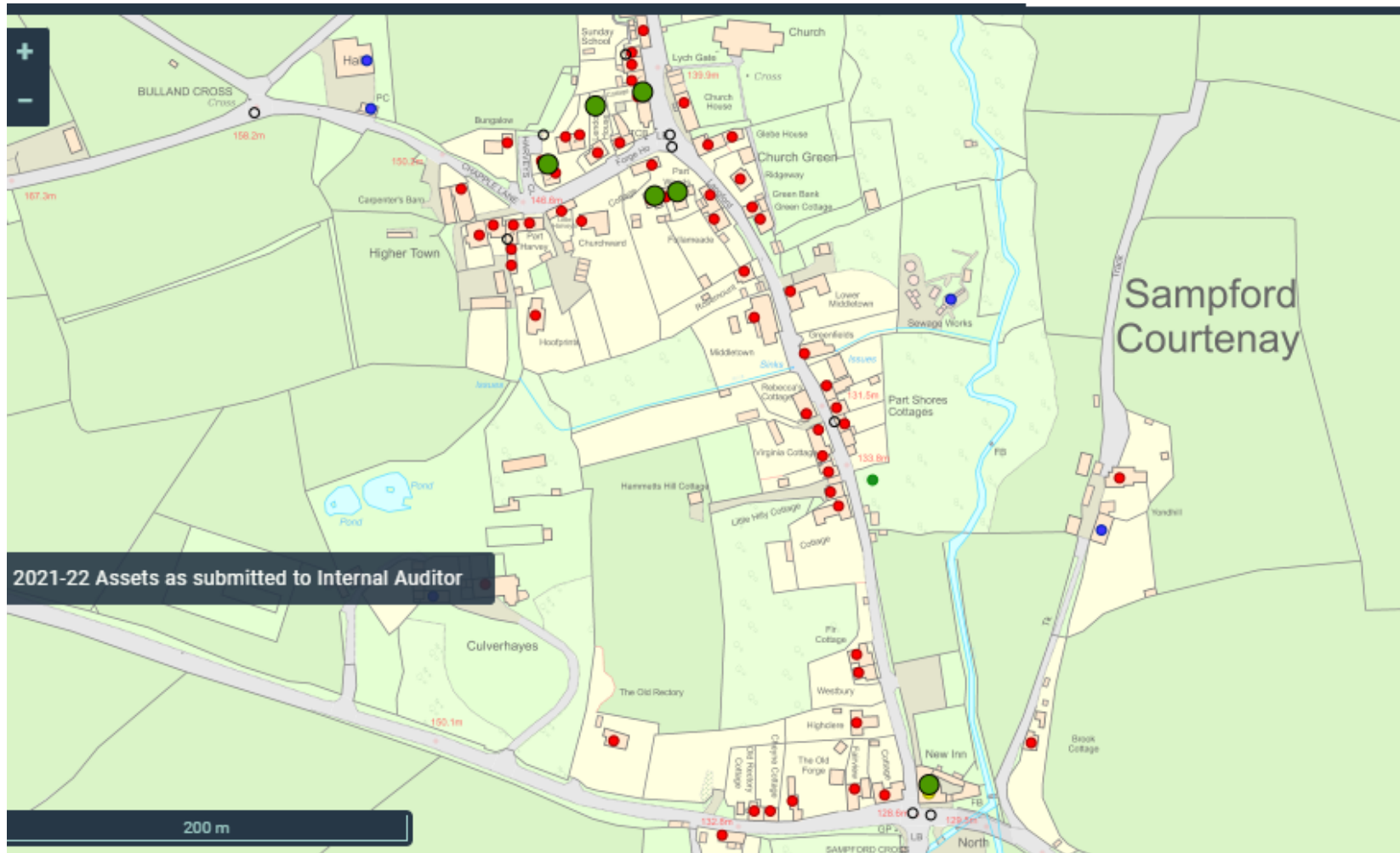
- ▶ In consultation with Airband and Gemma Bristow – Community Broadband Specialist, we have established that the following **49** properties marked “Green” on the following maps are “In Contract” for FTTP.
- ▶ They should automatically be contacted by Airband, when the connection is available.
- ▶ But we have been advised that, to be on the safe side, they should register their interest on the Airband Website here....



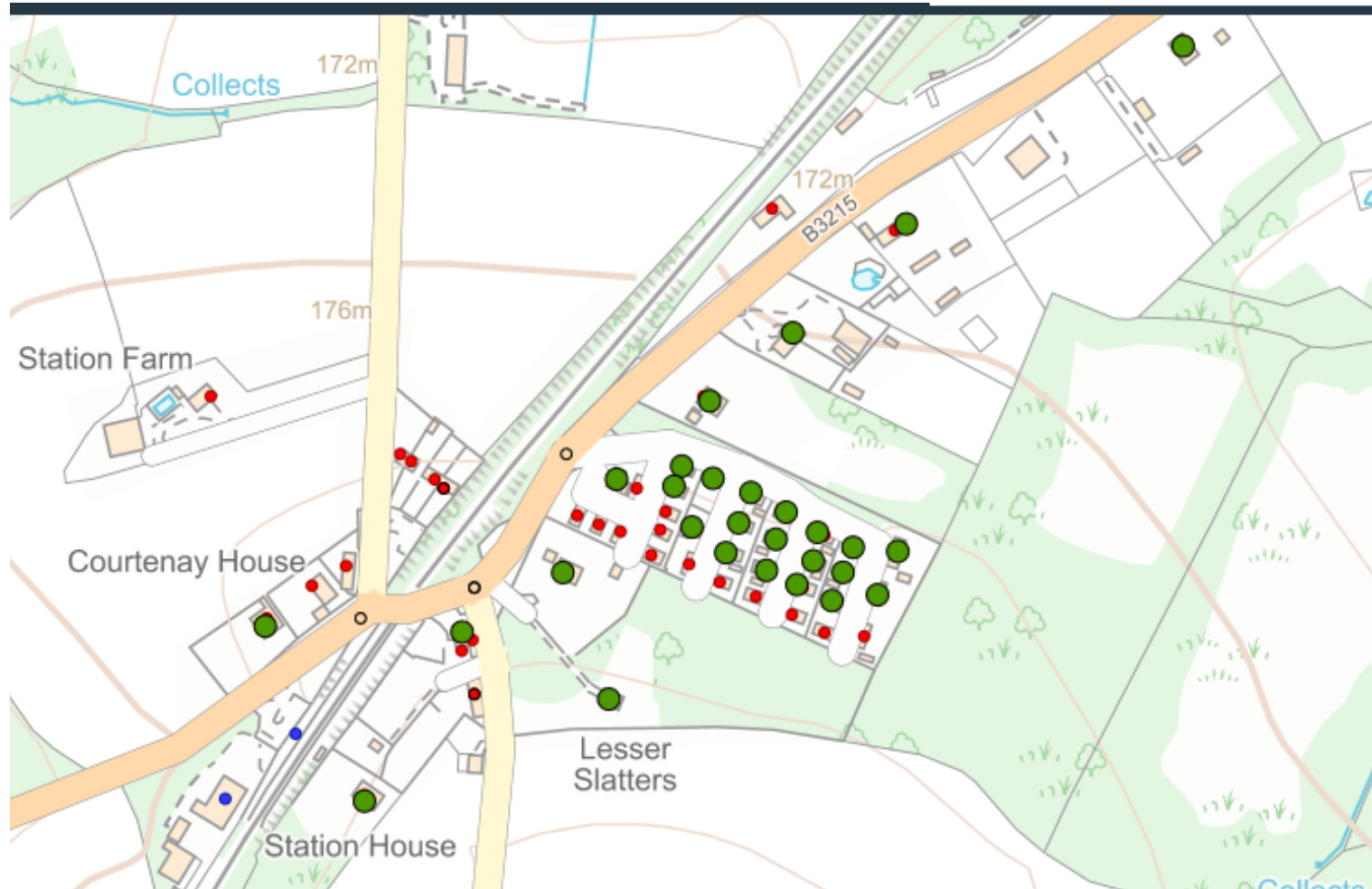
# Register your interest

**We are bringing fibre broadband to your area!**

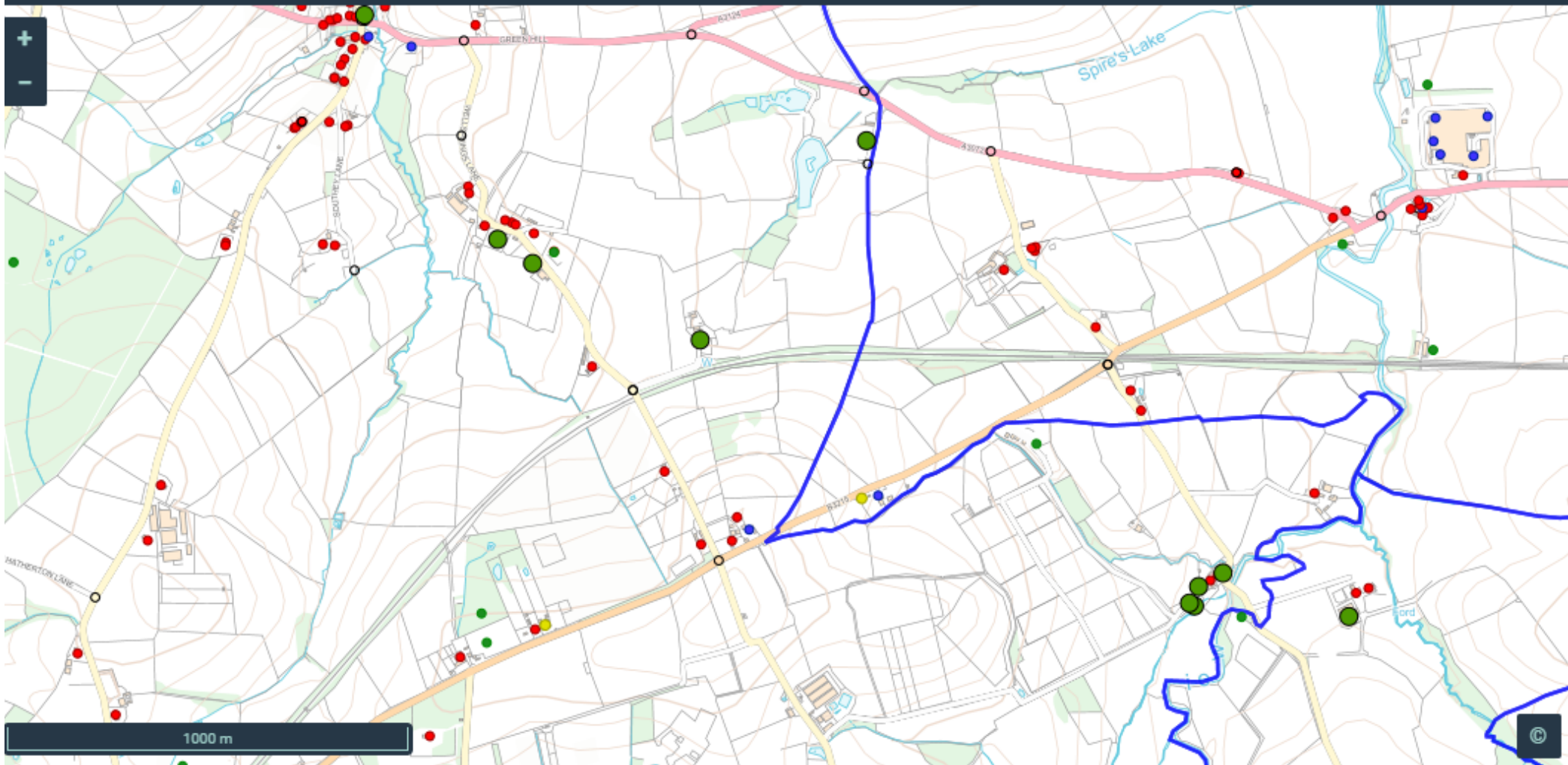
# Green Properties in the Village...



# Green properties at The Beeches and nearby area ...

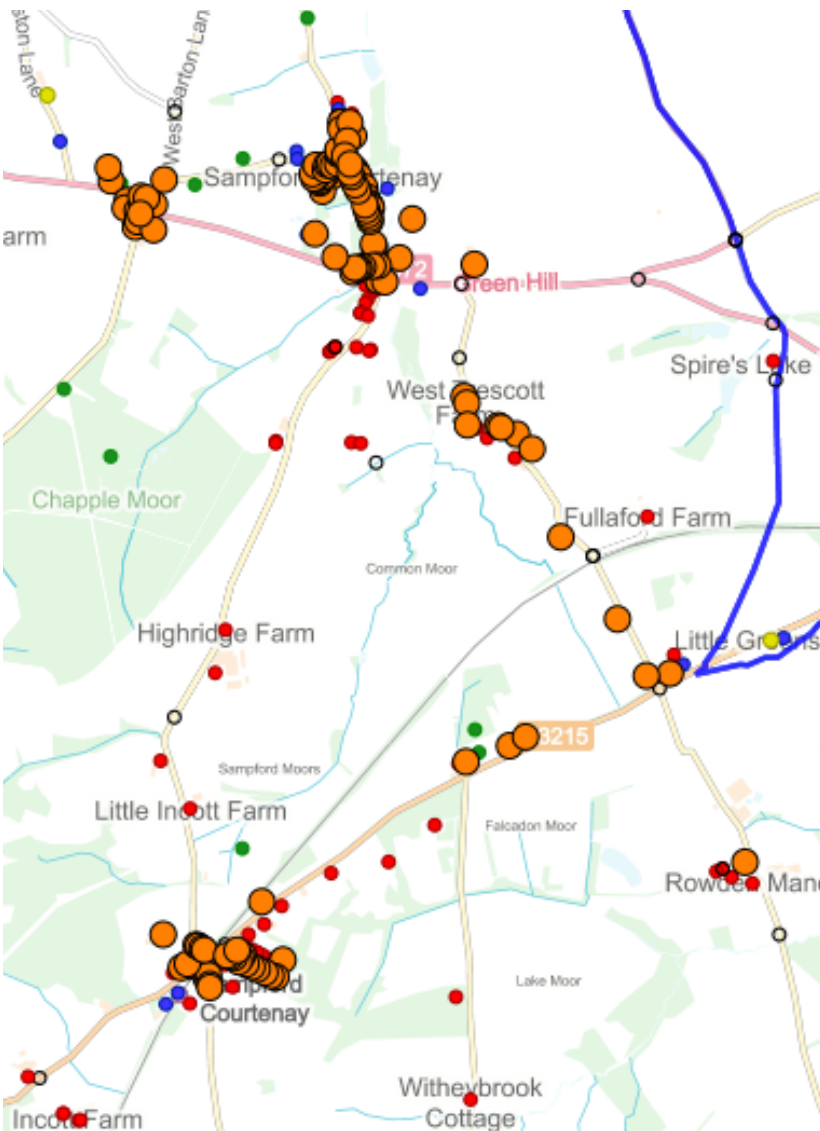


# Green properties on Wellsprings Lane, Rowden & Spier's Lake, North Wyke





If you are close to, or in between these properties, we have put you on an Amber list of 118 properties



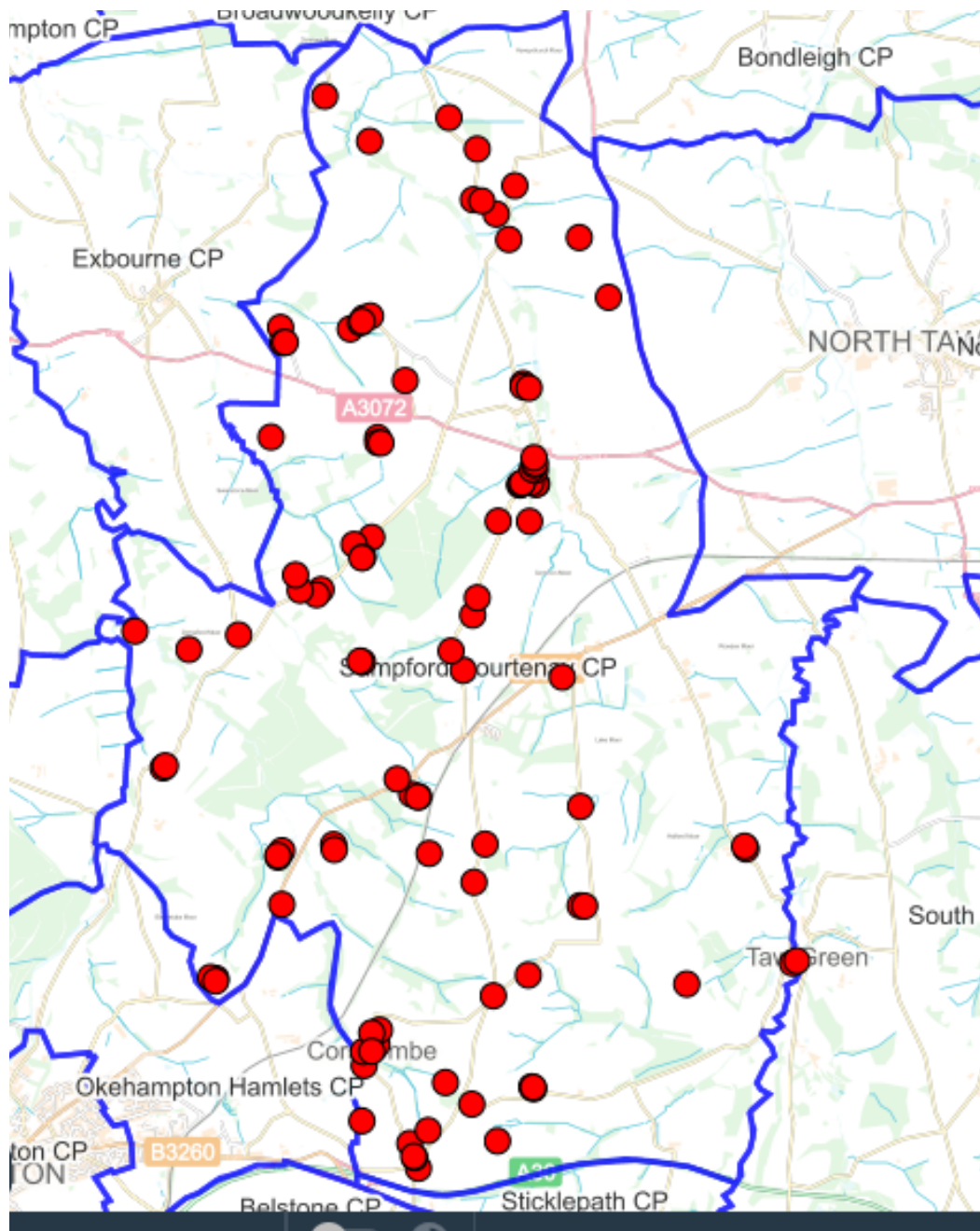
You need to CONTACT Airband, on this page to register your interest in FTTP.

The screenshot shows the Airband website homepage. The navigation menu at the top includes 'Residential', 'Business', 'Wholesale', 'News', 'Community projects', 'Support', 'About us', 'Careers', and 'Contact us'. The 'Contact us' link is circled in red. Below the navigation is a dark blue banner with the Airband logo and the text 'high speed internet'. Navigation links for 'Coverage', 'Packages', 'Technology', and 'Why Airband?' are present. A 'Check availability' section contains a text input field with the placeholder 'Enter postcode...' and a right-pointing arrow. The main headline reads 'Great news, you can get our superfast broadband!'. Below this, an example address is provided: 'Hillcrest, Sampford Courtenay, Okehampton, Devon, EX20 2TF', followed by the text 'This address can get superfast broadband. Check out available packages below.'



Other properties will be on a RED list - but don't despair - there is a possibility that if enough of your neighbours also want to get FTTP - SCPC and our Community Broadband Specialist will be able to work with you and the providers to come up with a viable solution!

SCPC Broadband Champions will be in touch with you all.



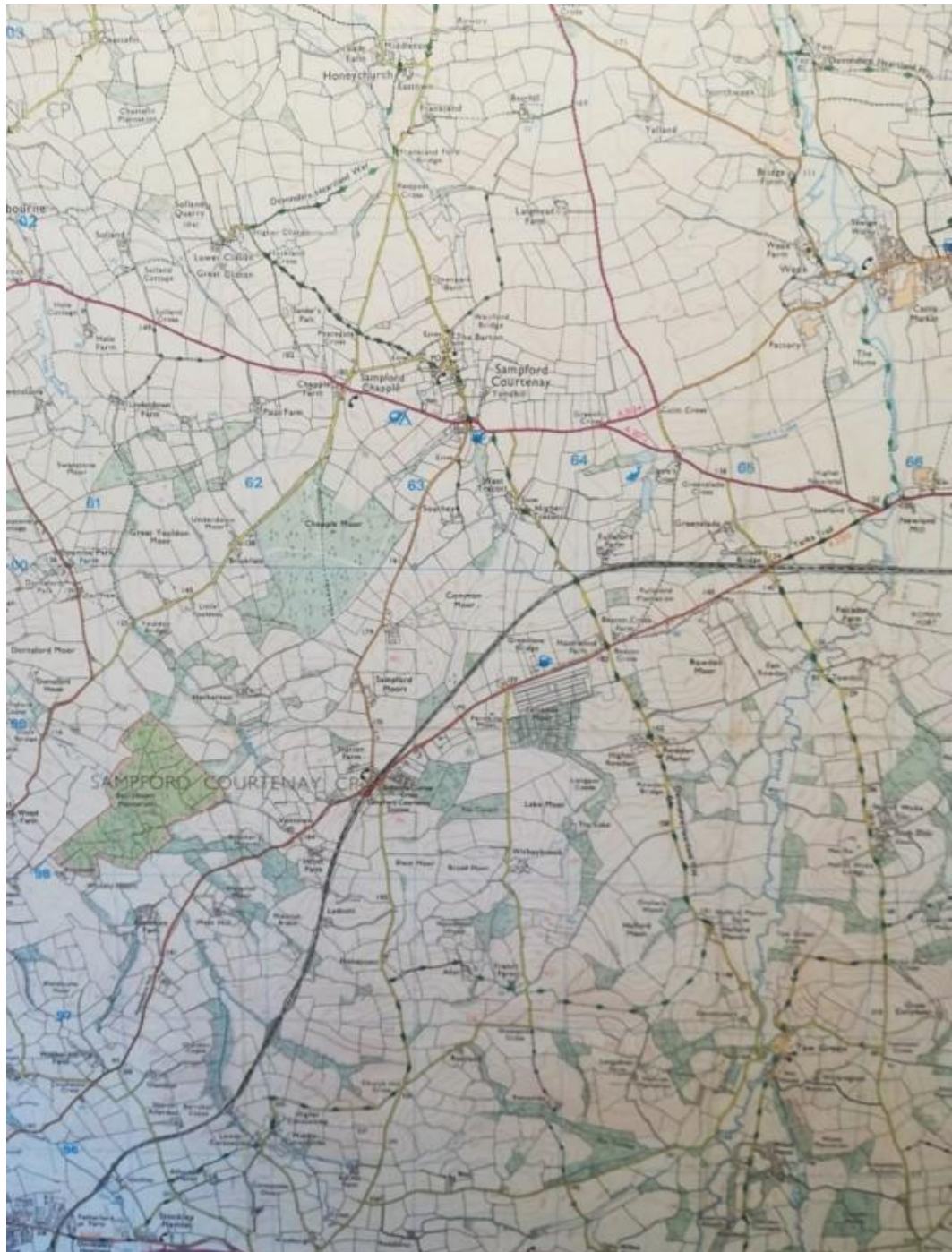
## In summary... what you should do now.

1. Go to the USO Website and see if you are eligible for this scheme.
2. Go to the BDUK Website and see if you are eligible for this scheme.
3. Go to the Airband site and register an Interest with them
4. Go to the BT site and register an interest with them.
5. LET THE CLERK KNOW WHO YOU HAVE REGISTERED WITH.
6. NB – If you run a business from your home, if you have a separate phone line for a business you may qualify for 2 vouchers for your property.
7. SCPC is compiling a Check list and summary of all this information, if you would like a copy please email the Clerk or download from the Website.

# Lost Footpaths Project - David Botting Page





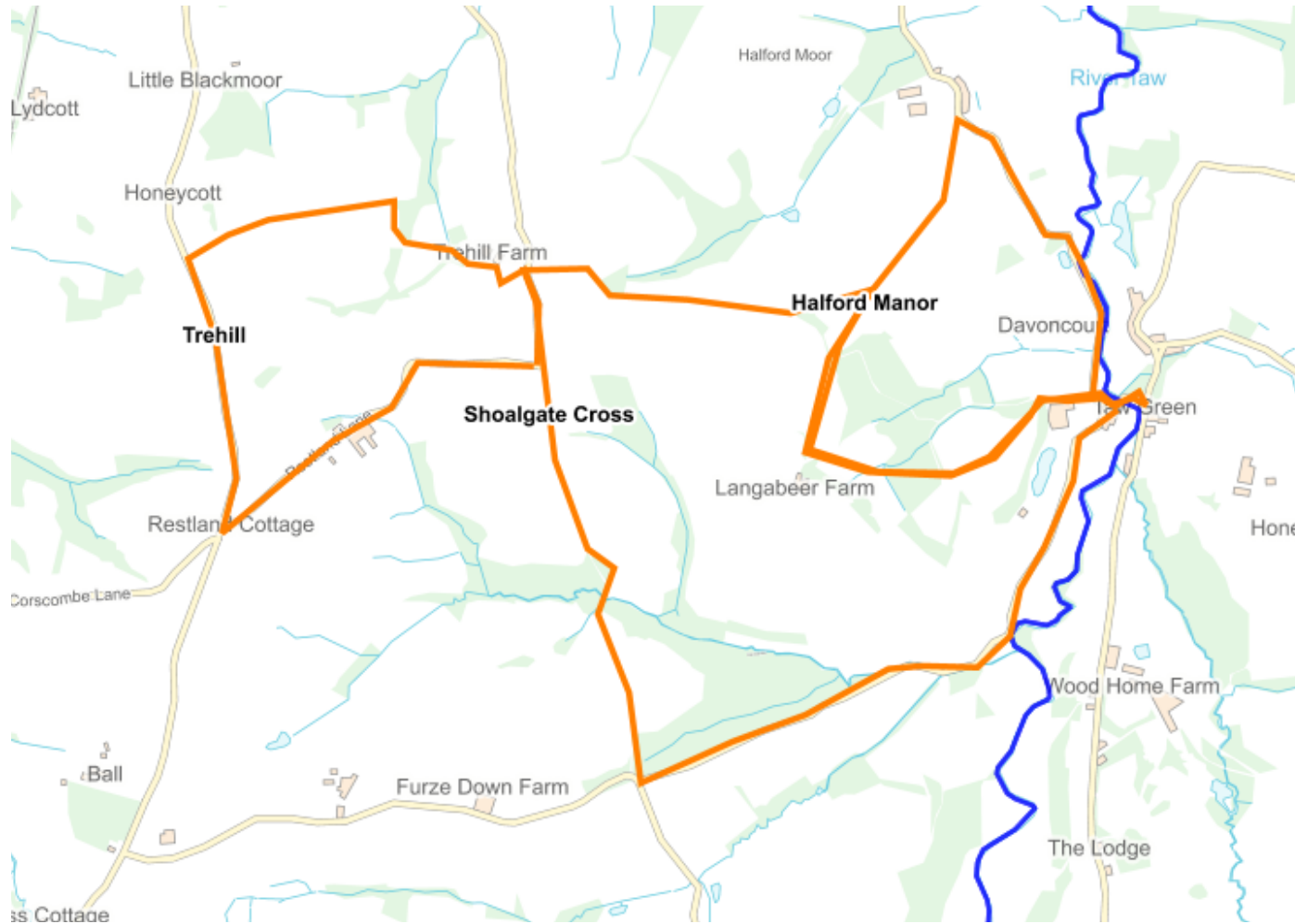


# Village Trail, and Walks 1 & 2



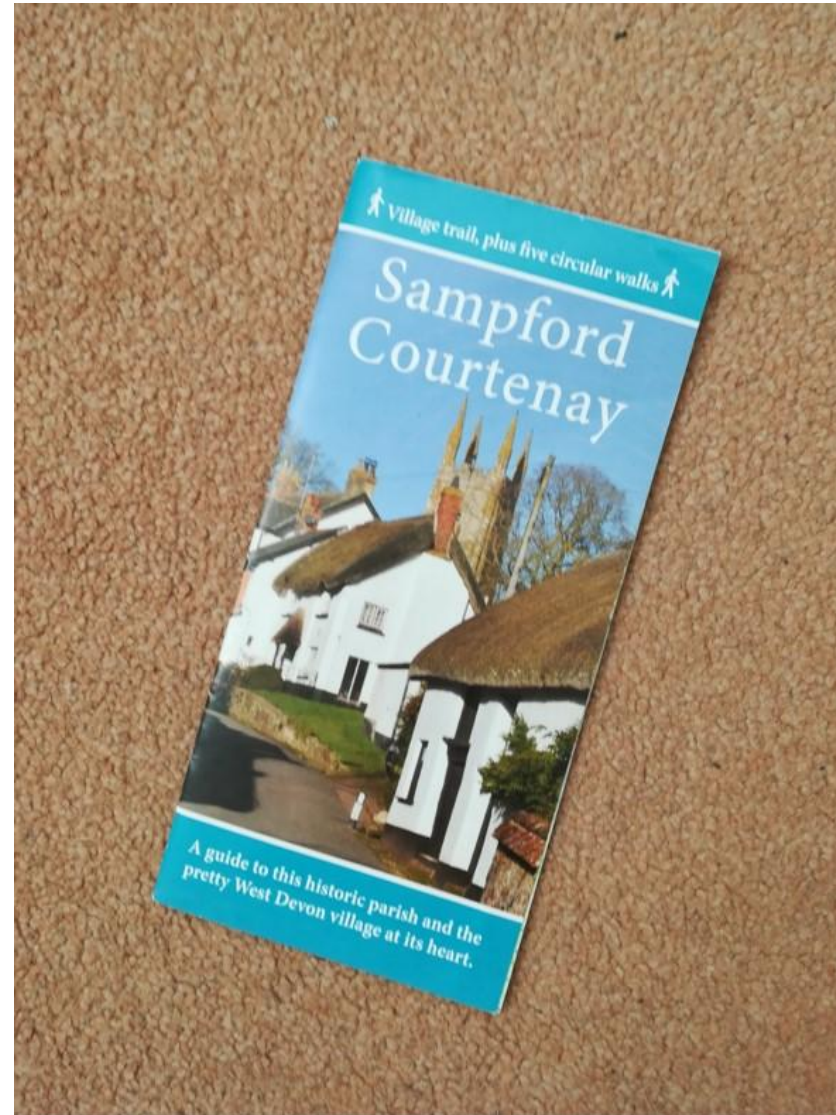


# Walks - 3, 4 & 5



Pick up a leaflet ....  
And join us on the  
Countryfile Children  
in Need Ramble on  
Sat Nov 13<sup>th</sup>.

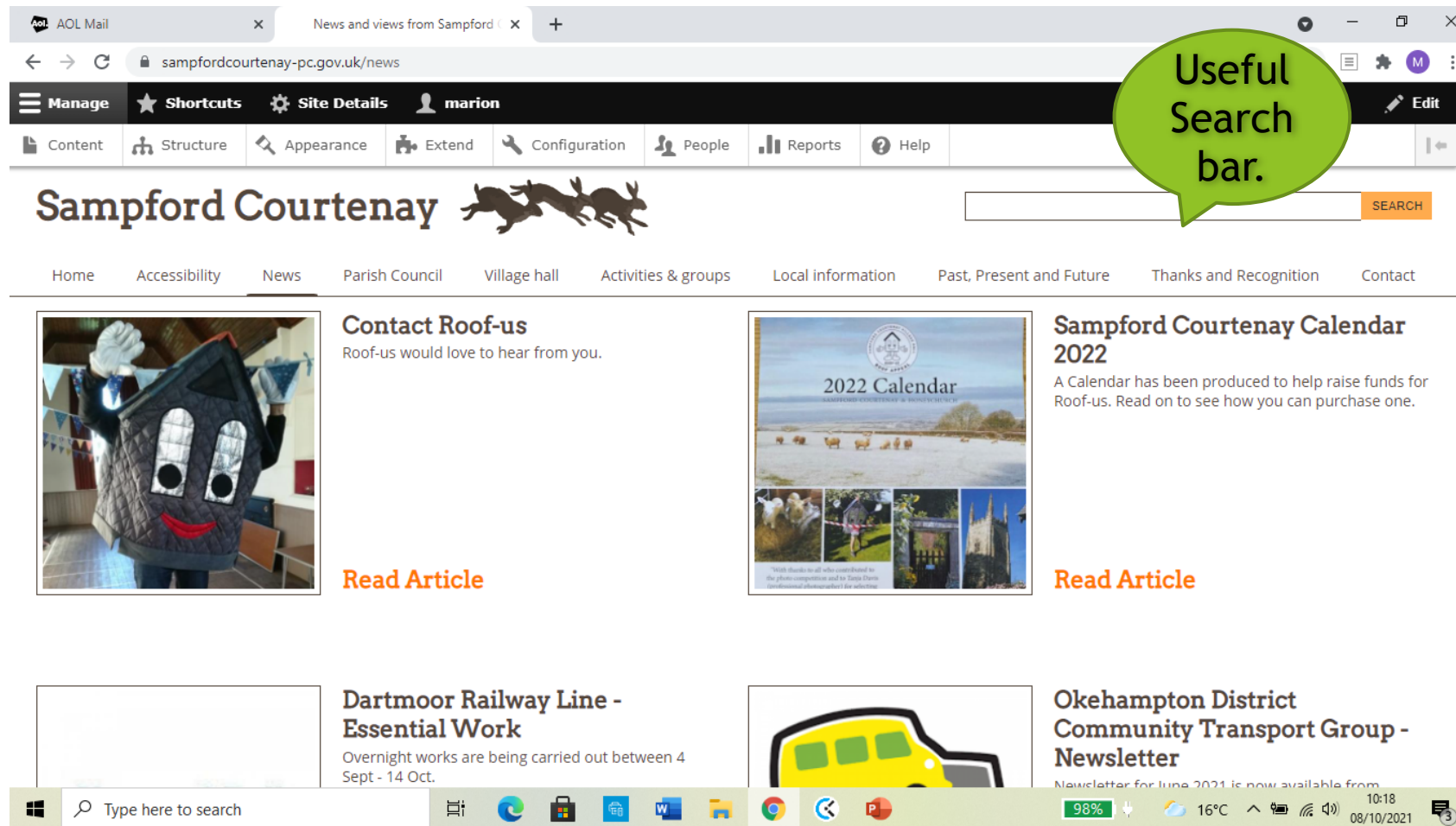
[Interactive Map](#)



Over to you.....

- ▶ How would you like to see SCPC, and other Parish Groups moving forward in the next few months or years?
- ▶ What are your immediate or longer term priorities?

# How to keep yourself and us informed...



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the website [www.sampfordcourtenay-pc.gov.uk/news](https://www.sampfordcourtenay-pc.gov.uk/news). The browser's address bar and tabs are visible at the top. The website's navigation menu includes links for Home, Accessibility, News, Parish Council, Village hall, Activities & groups, Local information, Past, Present and Future, Thanks and Recognition, and Contact. A green callout bubble with the text "Useful Search bar." points to a search input field on the right side of the page. Below the navigation menu, there are four article preview cards. The first card is titled "Contact Roof-us" and features an image of a person in a roof-shaped costume. The second card is titled "Sampford Courtenay Calendar 2022" and features an image of a calendar cover. The third card is titled "Dartmoor Railway Line - Essential Work" and features an image of a yellow train. The fourth card is titled "Okehampton District Community Transport Group - Newsletter" and features an image of a yellow bus. Each article preview includes a "Read Article" link. The Windows taskbar is visible at the bottom of the screenshot, showing the search bar, taskbar icons, and system tray.

<https://www.sampfordcourtenay-pc.gov.uk/>

Sign up at the bottom of any page on the Website to receive emails from Julie.

### What's Going on in Sampford Courtenay





# Try out our Face Book page ....

The screenshot displays a web browser window with the Facebook page for Sampford Courtenay Parish Council. The browser's address bar shows the URL [facebook.com/SampfordCourtenayParishCouncil](https://www.facebook.com/SampfordCourtenayParishCouncil). The page header includes the Facebook logo, a search bar, and navigation icons for home, notifications (9+), and messages (4). The left sidebar features a 'Manage Page' section with options for Business Suite, Inbox (21 new comments), Calendar, and Publishing Tools, along with buttons for Home and News Feed. The main content area shows a post from Sampford Courtenay, published by Marion Pratt on September 30 at 14:11. The post text reads: 'LAST DAY TO COMPLETE THIS SURVEY. THANK YOU EVERYONE.' Below the text is a photograph of a group of approximately 20 people, including several in high-visibility orange safety vests, standing on a gravel path. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the search bar, application icons, system tray with 98% battery, 16°C temperature, and the date 08/10/2021 at 10:27.

<https://www.facebook.com/SampfordCourtenayParishCouncil>



# Pop along and look at the Noticeboards



Or just Talk to your neighbours .....

Pre internet chat room using  
An old version of windows...



shared by silversurfers.com