



Two months have passed since the shop opening and the response has been tremendous - thank you so much to everyone for your support! We are currently making encouraging progress towards our projected sales target which is fantastic and we need to thank our Shop Manager, Emma Schramm, for keeping us on the straight and narrow ensuring everything runs as smoothly as possible. No small task with up to 40 volunteers to organise!

We try to regularly review the stock, thanks to Kirsten Day, and aim to introduce new lines when required. Needless to say we rely on your feedback to let us know what you would like to see on the shelves. (Or, indeed, what you think should not be on the shelves!).

A recent and very welcome addition to the shop has been a wide range of Ullacombe Farm cakes and tray bakes. We also now stock some delicious ready meals from Red Earth Kitchens - a small producer from Kingsbridge committed to using only locally sourced and free range products wherever possible. There have been several requests for fish - unfortunately the shelf life on fresh fish is too short for practicality so we will soon be stocking frozen fish, fish pie and fish cakes from a local fish monger.

If you have not had a chance to visit the shop recently - you may not know that we now have daily and weekend papers which have proved very popular.

Sue Norris has done a wonderful job coordinating the Volunteer Rota but more helpers are always most welcome - the more people available, even for the occasional shift, makes for a lighter work load all round. Volunteering is great fun so why not come along and join in? If you would like more information about volunteering - please e-mail -

[ilsingtonvillageshop@btconnect.com](mailto:ilsingtonvillageshop@btconnect.com) or telephone the shop on 01364-661788.

Do come along and support the Harvest Community Market on Saturday 22 September from 1 to 4pm at the Village Hall. There will be the usual selection of local produce and crafts plus the cafe serving bacon rolls and home-made cakes. We will be having an informal tasting session at the shop during the market - with samples of various products for you to try - so do pop in.

Thank you again to everyone for their continued support. Although it is early days and the learning curve is occasionally still in evidence the shop seems to be proving a very useful, vibrant and friendly addition to the community and infinitely worth the effort to get it here!

## WANTED

### SHOP TREASURER

Ilsington Village Shop needs a treasurer to help with financial management of the Ilsington Village Shop Association Limited. You will be involved in all financial aspects of the business including spreadsheets, VAT returns and payroll. Don't worry; you don't need to be an accountant, although a head for numbers would help!

This is great opportunity to get involved in your local community and be part of an interesting adventure. If you would like to know more please give Paul Hughes (current treasurer) a call on 01364 661582 or email paulandhelen10@btinternet.com

**You can still become a shareholder**

### Ilsington Village Shop - Shares Application Form

Name:	
Telephone:	
E-mail address:	
Postal Address:	
Shares Required @ £5 each	£
Donation:	£
Total Enclosed	£

Further enquiries to Alan Hobbs 01364 661576 or Sue Norris 01364 661128 or Please make cheques payable to "Ilsington Village Shop" and send together with this form to: - Sue Norris, Secretary, 17 Town Meadow, Ilsington, TQ13 9RY

