



DART Newsletter No 3

Summer 2017

Chulmleigh Co-responders

First year of service

to our local communities

Progress to date

Since the launch on the 1st of July 2016 the Chulmleigh Co-responders responded to 99 calls in their first year. The AED has been deployed numerous times. Whilst the service is predominately used in Chulmleigh with 34 call outs; emergency calls have been handled from as far afield as High Bickington, Northcote Manor, Kings Nympton, South Molton, Witheridge, Lapford, & Winkleigh.

[See map on reverse.]

DART continues to be well supported by the community with events and donations. The most recent example is the Chulmleigh Academy Trust sponsored steps event which raised an outstanding £1458.565 for DART. This money was all put towards the equipment purchase mentioned below.

Recruitment

There remains an on-going and urgent need for additional fire-fighters [and hopefully co-responders] to be recruited. Chulmleigh currently has 5 co-responders. Anyone who is interested in becoming a fire fighter please let Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue know!

Equipment

The current equipment requirement is for a set of CPR and AED training aids. These are needed to support our co-responders to train the basic skills to save lives, not only their own staff but to our community groups. This equipment, which we have ordered and will delivered soon, cost us about £2250.

Fundraising

Fundraising carries on all the time to keep this service running, and more collection boxes are being distributed. To date these have raised over £650, so please keep putting those odd pennies in our boxes.

The next event supporting DART is a "Night Golf Challenge", at the Chulmleigh golf course on Friday September 29th starting at 8pm with tee off at 9pm. Groups of three or four @ £15 per head. Full details are available from Geoff at the Golf Club.

We are also planning our annual "Harvest Festival Auction" at The Old Court House in Chulmleigh for a October the date and time will hopefully be confirmed soon.

***Thank you all for your continued support.
Please don't stop helping to save lives.***

