

34, Fore Street,  
Otterton EX9 7HB.  
27<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Otterton Parish Council.

Re. 2022 Otter Valley Association Litter Pick.

Dear Council,

Each year I organise the Otter Estuary litter-pick on behalf of the Otter Valley Association. At the end of each event a local council representative presents two prizes to volunteers who have found the most unusual items. Historically, this was a representative of Budleigh Town Council.

Following discussion at the O.V.A. Executive Committee 3 years ago, it was agreed that as L.O.R.P. was imminent and most of the Otter estuary fell within Otterton and East Budleigh Parish boundaries we should invite those Chairs to make the presentation. This would enable the two parishes to have a higher profile.

I first asked Chairman John Hiles if he would like to make the first presentation but unfortunately he declined and did not put forward an alternative councillor. I saw no evidence that the request was ever brought to the attention of the Council. I then approached Derek Wensley, Chair of East Budleigh P. C. and he enthusiastically took up the offer and took part in the event as a volunteer.

This Springs pick will be held on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April commencing 14.00. Volunteers meet at Lime Kiln car park Budleigh. The event takes 2 hours and the presentation then takes place. Volunteers are provided with free parking. It would be very much appreciated if the Council could put forward a representative for this years event. Could you please let me know if no-one can attend so that I can re-contact East Budleigh. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Geoff. Porter.

O.V.A. Environment Committee member and Otterton rep.