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## Street lighting in Carnon Downs switched off

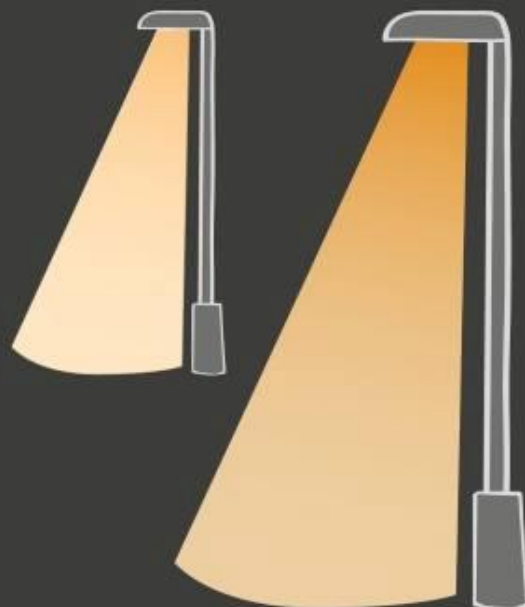
As part of the roll out across the County and that has already happened in Devoran, Cornwall Council will be switching off the street lights in Carnon Downs between midnight and 5am with effect from week commencing 4th August 2025.

As part of the roll out across the County and that has already happened in Devoran, Cornwall Council will be switching off the street lights across Cornwall to reduce light pollution and help meet the Council's ambition to become Carbon Neutral by 2030.

There has been a careful selection process, including liaison with local police, in choosing the most appropriate streetlights to switch off.

If you have any queries or concerns please contact the Parish Council who can pass on your query or you can contact Cornwall Councils street lighting team direct via email: [streetlighting@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:streetlighting@cornwall.gov.uk)

**Switching  
off/dimming  
street lights**



**[www.cornwall.gov.uk](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk)**

# Parish Community Emergency Plan



The Parish Council has started to put together a Parish Community Emergency Plan to be activated in events such as adverse weather, a lengthy power cut, trees down blocking road access etc. to provide help to residents before the Emergency Services are able to assist.

We are looking to develop the Emergency Plan with help from residents and have started building a list of volunteers who may have the skills to help in an emergency - for example you may be able to use a chainsaw to remove a fallen tree, have a 4x4 vehicle or you may be able to go and check on neighbours and collect supplies for them.

If you would be willing to volunteer please email or phone Debra Roberts, Parish Clerk on [clerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk) or 01872 863333 with your contact details and skills you can offer.

## Emergency Numbers

- Flooding, trees down, road closures, highways issues and road works: Cornwall Council Highways
- (CORMAC) 0300 1234 222
- Cornwall Council Adults & Children Safeguarding
- Out of hours Social Work Children, Young People & Families: 01208 251300
- Out of hours Social Work Adults: 0300 1234 131
- Children - Multi Agency Referral Unit - non urgent: 0300 123 1116
- In cases of immediate danger call the Police on 999
- Gas leaks: Gas Emergency Services 0800 111 999
- Via textphone (minicom) 0800 371 787
- Pollution of land or rivers: Environment Agency 0800 80 70 60
- Pollution of sea/beach: Coastguard 01326 317575
- For non-emergency pollution reports, you can contact the Marine Management Organisation (MMO)
- Pollution Response 0300 123 1032
- Power cuts: National Grid 0800 6783 105
- Water or sewage leak: South West Water 0344 346 2020

## Parish Councillor vacancies

**Are you passionate about our local area? Do you want to help shape the future of our parish?**

We currently have a vacancies for 5 Parish Councillors - 3 in Devoran ward and 2 in Feock ward. We're looking for people who want to make a positive impact in our community. This is a great opportunity to get involved, represent local residents, and help influence decisions that affect where we live and work. We do recommend attending a Parish Council meeting before applying to see the type of meetings you would be involved with and the issues that come up.

✅ No prior experience is needed – just enthusiasm, commitment, a desire to help your community and able to attend one Parish Council meeting a month (usually held on the second Monday of the month at 6pm in Devoran).

📅 **14** Deadline to apply: Wednesday before each Parish Council Meeting (to give time to circulate your application to Councillors)

📍 Interested? For more information on how to apply or what the role involves, please contact Debra Roberts, Parish Clerk at [clerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk) or telephone on 01872 863333 or visit our website [www.feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.feockparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Join us in making a difference – your voice matters! 🗣️



# "Your Parish Council Needs YOU"

## Enquiry and Support Lines (manned 9am to 12 noon weekdays)

**Parish Council Office: 01872 863333**

**Feock Parish Transport scheme: 07904 547822**

We receive general enquiries requesting information come from a wide range of residents seeking reassurance and advice from a 'human' often following attempts to gain facts from online and digital sources. 'Chart toppers' include overgrowth of hedges and trees where this is impeding safe walking or likely to cause damage to property, boundary disputes, access lanes, inadequate signage, footpaths and rights of way issues. Streetlights and problem with the defibrillator phone boxes, moorings queries, ongoing foreshore issues, and annual forms for proof of residency are also things we deal with.

Supporting drop-in and phone callers with reporting incidents such as fly tipping, graffiti and potholes with online reporting on behalf of non-digital residents.

The Feock Parish Transport scheme has made **145 journeys** in the last year around the parish with the most popular destination being Perranwell Wellbeing Club, followed by Carnon Downs and Devoran surgeries. We have 10 regular customers. The lifts requested are vital for health and wellbeing; all at difficult venues to coordinate appointments with a convenient bus service and occur within 3 miles of home address.

A huge thank you go to our wonderful volunteer drivers who carried out all these journeys.

## Celebrating our railway heritage

**Exploring our past, discovering the present and enjoying being outdoors** by Cllr Keith Hambly-Staite

Readers who watch commercial television will have seen the current GWR advertising campaign showing The Famous Five created by Enid Blyton rushing around the country in search of new adventures. A more local GWR sponsored campaign organised by Feock Parish Council will highlight the adventures that can be had by walking and cycling in the Carnon Valley and about Restrounguet Creek.

With the strapline 'Explore, Discover, Enjoy' the campaign will engage with young people at Devoran School and the wider community about the historic mining and railway artifacts to be discovered in the valley and focus on the delights of the flora and fauna of the area. There is much to discover, whether around Devoran, a village created by the mining and railway industries, or by exploring the paths around the valley bottom. Where once barges owned by the Redruth and Chacewater Railway moored up on Devoran Quay today people can be found sailing or swimming during the summer and Osprey watching in the spring and autumn.

The Bissoe Trail runs through the Carnon Valley and is part of a larger group of trails collectively known as the Cornwall Mineral Tramway Trails. You can walk or cycle from Point to Portreath. But many people, particularly visitors, do not find their way to this extraordinary place close to our doorstep. One of the first things we are doing is to signpost ways to the Carnon Valley and the surrounding area from the railway station at Perranwell and highlight the car parks which cover the part of the valley within our parish. During the Autumn there will be talks at Devoran School and groups of children will be stimulated to explore their area with the help of an I-Spy booklet where they will find some of the remains of the railway and the mining industry. We want to encourage our younger residents and their families to explore the area like The Famous Five, to discover new things, have adventures and enjoy the outside world.

**For more information on the project visit our website <https://www.feockparishcouncil.gov.uk/railway200>**



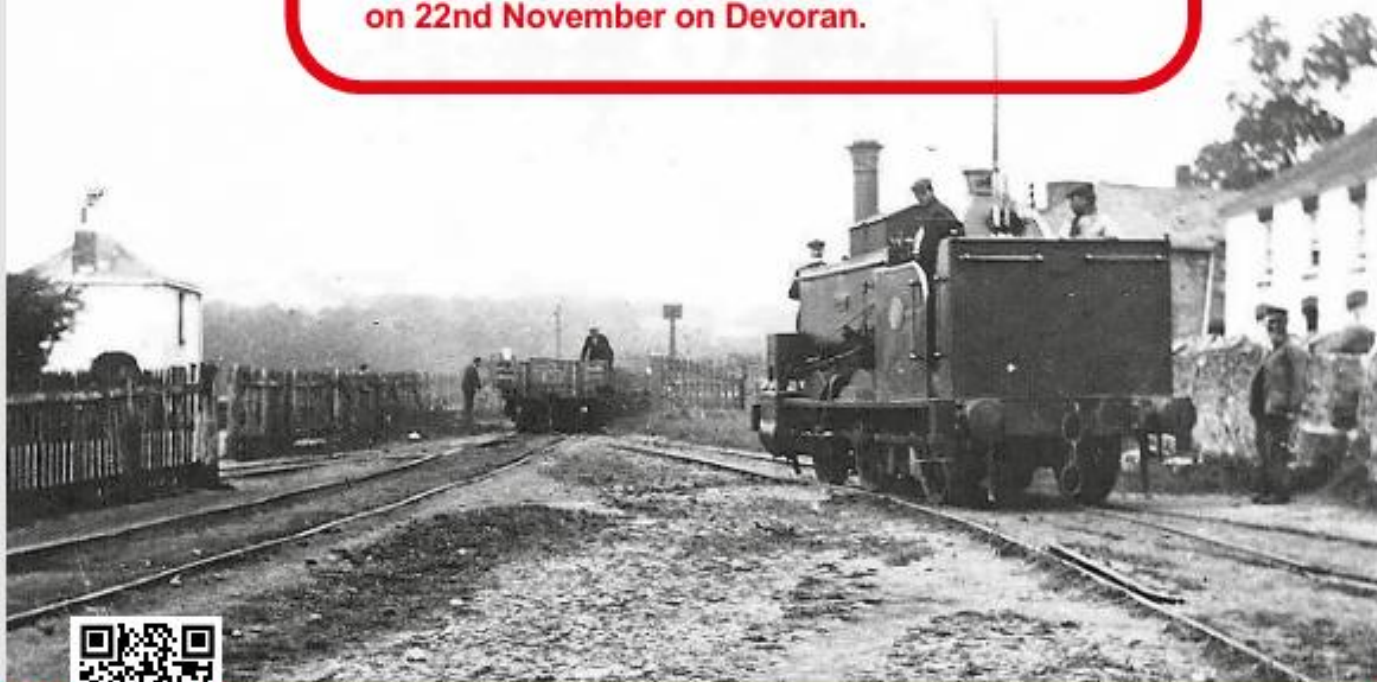
DISCOVER. EXPLORE. ENJOY.



# Celebrating our railway heritage

From the Redruth and Chasewater Railway to the Mid Cornwall Metro

During the year we will tell the story of our railway heritage, the growth of Devoran and transformation of the Carnon Valley from an industrial centre to a place to enjoy nature and leisure pursuits, **culminating with an exhibition on 22nd November on Devoran.**



Get involved and find out more at: [feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://feockparishcouncil.gov.uk)

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## Walk & Talk Guided Walks

The Walk & Talk group meet fortnightly on a Tuesday at 10am for a walk either in the Parish or nearby, usually following one of our Feock Trails walks or our new, shorter and less strenuous Feock Strolls walks. Our new walk leader volunteer, Jacqueline Davey has taken over from Mary and is doing a wonderful job.

The walks are free to attend and well behaved dogs on leads are welcome, the walk will go at the pace of the slowest walker so no one should feel rushed. It is a chance to get out and meet new people, get some exercise and explore our beautiful countryside. If you're interested in coming along please get in touch with Cathy Whitmore, our MyFeock Information & Wellbeing Adviser, weekday mornings on 01872 863333 or email [myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk)



# WALK & TALK

Improve your wellbeing with guided walks in Feock parish

Walks held every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 10am

Contact Cathy at the Parish Council on 01872 863333 or email [myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk) for details of meeting place

[www.feockparishcouncil.gov.uk/activefeock](http://www.feockparishcouncil.gov.uk/activefeock)

 Feock Parish Council / MyFeock Wellbeing

## Bootcamp sessions

Benefit Body & Mind are a local organisation who are running 'bootcamp' exercise classes across the Parish during the Summer in our parks and recreation areas. The sessions will be held in Pengelly Meadows (pictured below), Devoran Recreation Ground and Retallack Recreation Area in Feock. There's more detail in the poster later on in this newsletter on how to book and dates.





## Defibrillators in the Parish

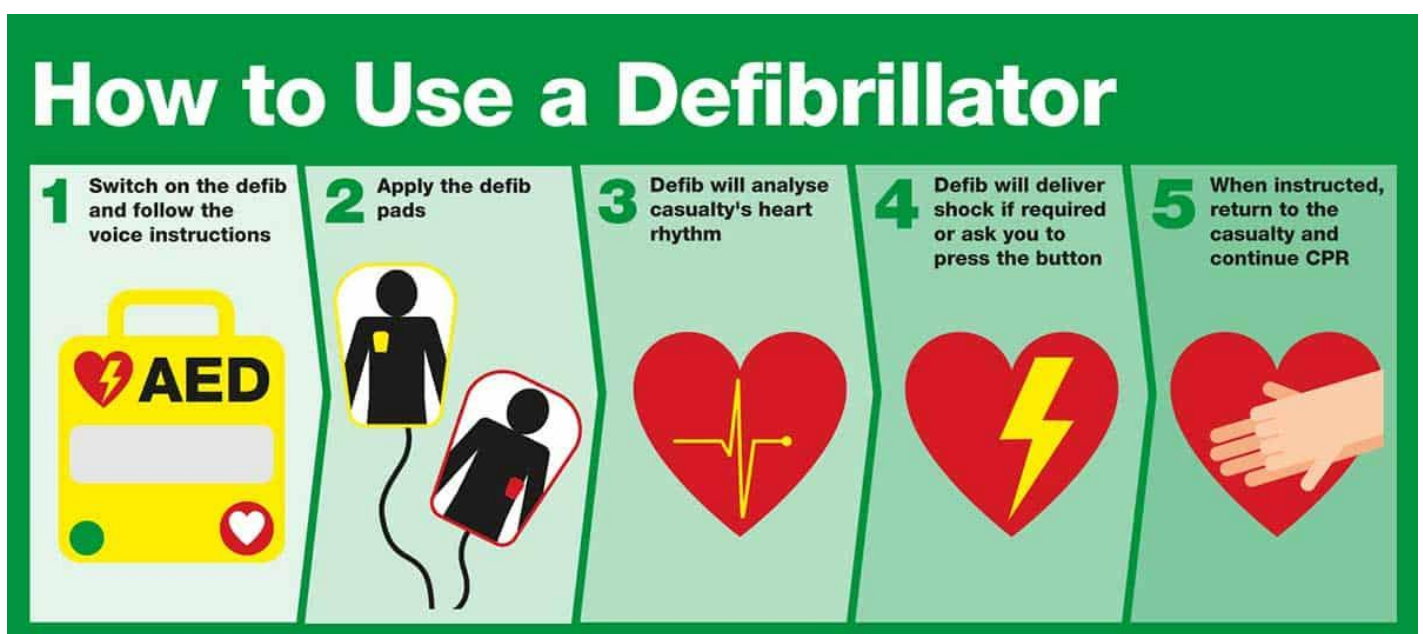
There are a number of public access defibrillators around the parish, most of which are maintained by the Parish Council, these are automated, anyone can use one, training is not necessary. The defibrillator will talk the user through how to use it and will not allow a shock to be given unless it detects that the heart is in a shockable rhythm. The defibrillators are located as below.

If you have cause to use/collect a defibrillator please return it to the phonebox you got it from or back to the Parish Council Office (open weekday mornings) so it can be checked and then put back into service and notify us that it is back. We automatically get notified by the online Circuit system when a caller to 999 has been directed to collect one of our defibs.

We understand that there will be times that someone may need to go and collect a defibrillator without being told to by 999 but if you do please can you tell us asap (by email to [clerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk) is best). This is so that we can mark the defibrillator as 'unavailable' on The Circuit system, otherwise if someone phoned 999 and were directed to collect a defibrillator and got there to find it missing then precious time could be wasted and lives put at risk.

- Phonebox on Market Street, Devoran
- Phonebox on Forth Coth, Carnon Downs (nr Dentist)
- Phonebox on Point Green
- Outside wall of reception building, Ferris Garage, Feock
- Loe Beach, Feock (not maintained by Parish Council)
- St Feock Church car park, Feock\* (not maintained by Parish Council)
- Outside wall of "Twitterings", Trolver Croft\*
- Outside wall of the Punchbowl and Ladle\*      \*phone 999 for the code to open the cabinet

The British Heart Foundation have an excellent video which tells you all about defibrillators and how to use them which you can watch using the link below. Our defibrillators actually talk you through how to use them if you need to use one in an emergency. <https://youtu.be/H4FjPn48aG0?feature=shared> but please note it is not essential to have watched this video: **the defibrillators are automatic and will tell you exactly what to do.**



## Parish Council Meetings



Agendas for all Council meetings are displayed on our website and also the noticeboards around the Parish. Details of items being discussed are listed on the agendas.

Members of the public are welcome to attend Parish Council and Committee meetings, if you wish to attend please let the Parish Clerk know via email or 01872 863333 to enable numbers to be accommodated. Questions can also be submitted to the Clerk to be asked on residents behalf if they are unable to attend the meeting but still wish a question to be asked. It is also helpful for the Council to have notice of questions to be asked prior to the meeting to enable a full answer to be given at the meeting, if notice is not given we cannot guarantee an answer on the evening but will answer in writing following the meeting.

The Parish Council Facebook page is regularly updated with local news and events, links to planning application links etc. [www.facebook.com/Feockparishcouncil/](https://www.facebook.com/Feockparishcouncil/)

A calendar of meeting dates for 2025 is on our website as well as below, Committee meetings such as Planning, Access & Amenities, Finance and General Purposes and Staffing dates are also added to our website when they have been arranged, again these are meetings open to the public with public participation sessions at the start of the meeting.

**The next meetings of the Full Parish Council for the rest of this year are as follows, all starting at 6pm in the Parish Council Office in Devoran.**

No meeting in August	Monday 15th September 2025	Monday 13th October 2025
Monday 10th November 2025	Monday 15th December 2025	

Don't forget we have a number of vacancies on the Council, why not come along and sit in on a meeting to see if you'd like to get involved and see the type of issues Councillors are currently dealing with?



## Road closures in the parish



### Road Closure - Feock - 29th to 31st July 2025

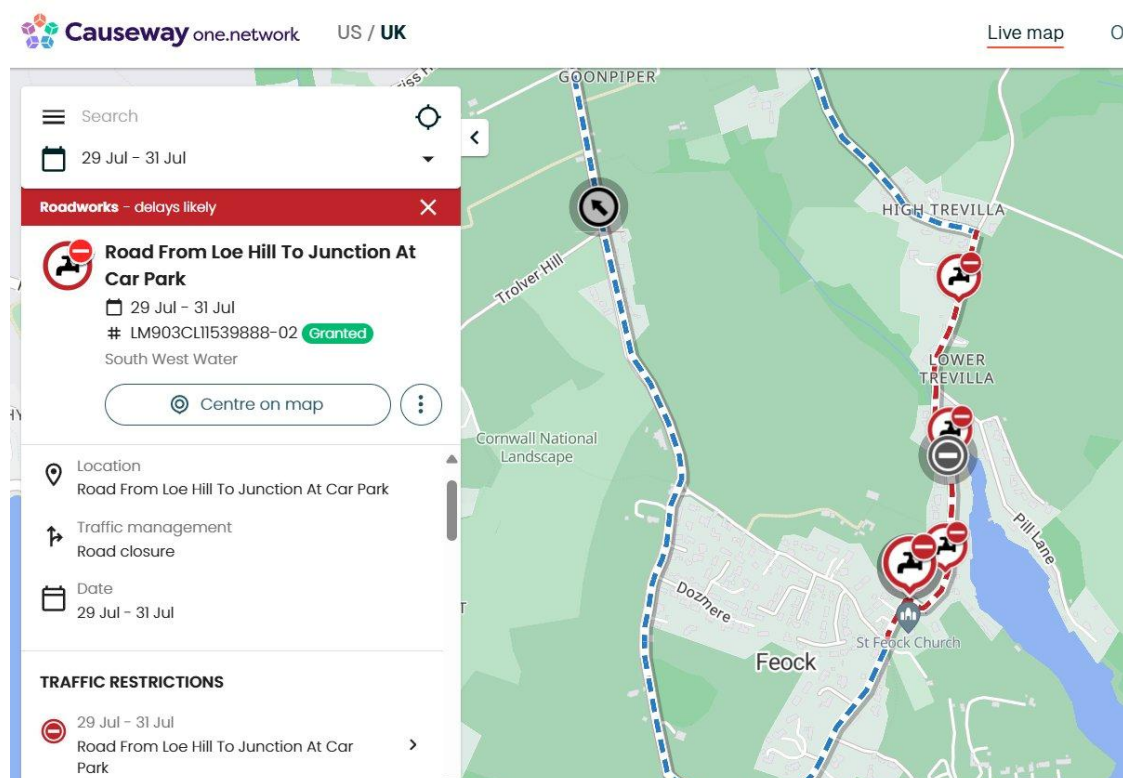
Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic

Location: Road From Loe Hill To Junction At Car Park, Churchtown, Feock, Road From Junction At Car Park To Creek House, Pill Creek, Feock, West Pill Road, Feock and Trevilla Hill, Feock

Timing: 29th July 2025 to 31st July 2025 (24 hours)

Contact: Kier on behalf of South West Water - Tel: 0344 346 2020

More details visit: <https://one.network/?tm=143204212>



## Never miss a planning application in your area

Did you know that you can find out about and keep updated on planning applications in your area with an email direct to your inbox? It's easy to do. Set up a website account for planning on Cornwall Council's website then go to the online planning register to set up your email alerts.

To track an application, once you've found the one you're interested in, just click the track button. Follow the instructions on Cornwall Council's online planning register web page to get set up.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning-applications/online-planning-register/>

The Parish Council also list all current applications in our parish on our website

<https://www.feockparishcouncil.gov.uk/current-planning-applications>

## Parish Council contact details

**Councillors contact details available online:** <https://www.feockparishcouncil.gov.uk/parishcouncillors>

Debra Roberts, Parish Clerk:

[clerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Debbie Searle, Assistant Clerk:

[deputyclerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:deputyclerk@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Cathy Whitmore, Information & Wellbeing Adviser: [myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Websites: [www.feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.feockparishcouncil.gov.uk)

& [www.myfeock.co.uk](http://www.myfeock.co.uk)

Social media:

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

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

[https://www.instagram.com/feock\\_parish\\_council](https://www.instagram.com/feock_parish_council)



Sign up to our monthly email Connect newsletter and What's On events guide via our website or email [myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk)





# REPAIR CAFE

**If you can carry it, we'll take a look!**

- ✓ Wooden items - bolting, tightening, gluing and creating new pieces and woodwork
- ✓ Clocks (not battery or electric)
- ✓ Electrical - plugs, fuses, basic wiring (sorry no PAT testing)
- ✓ Clothing & textiles - mending, zips, darning, repairs
- ✓ Soft toys, knitting and crochet
- ✓ Minor jewellery repairs
- ✓ Technology
- ✓ Vacuums (must be clean/empty, all attachments present and recharger/cord and plug present)
- ✓ South West Water and Community Energy Plus drop in help desks plus meet your Parish Councillor




**Pop into see us - last Tuesday of the month,  
10 to 11.30am @ The Hub - Carnon Community  
Methodist Church Hall, Carnon Downs**

**Items must be received by 11am to allow for repairs  
up to 11.30am**

Cash donations for refreshments & repairs gratefully received  
towards the cost of running the Repair Cafe

Contact: [myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:myfeock@feockparishcouncil.gov.uk)

[www.myfeock.co.uk](http://www.myfeock.co.uk)  MyFeock Wellbeing 01872 863333



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**BENEFIT  
BODY AND  
MIND**

21ST JULY - 30TH AUGUST

ROTATING ACROSS:  
**FEOCK- CARNON DOWNS- DEVORAN**

**MONDAYS 9-10AM  
TUESDAYS 6-7PM  
SATURDAYS 8-9AM**



Suitable for all fitness levels



Bring your friends or family



Expect to sweat, smile, and feel stronger



Come rain or shine – we'll be moving!

**DROP US A MESSAGE ON FACEBOOK / INSTAGRAM FOR  
THE SIGN UP LINK AND WHATSAPP GROUP**

ALTERNATIVELY CONTACT BILLIE ON 07969095597

***MESSAGE TO SECURE YOUR  
SPOT TODAY!***