

DEFIBRILLATOR NEWS

After careful consideration, the Parish Council chose Hopkins TAS Ltd to supply and support the new device. They have a strong track record in providing supported AEDs and already look after defibrillators in our area through their ongoing AED Aftercare service.

Offering training and support' to residents of Holmpton on Wednesday 25th June 1-3pm and Thursday 26th June 6-8pm at Holmpton Village Hall School Lane.

Please contact Amanda on 07515 369 796 for further details or if you would like to attend there are still one or two places left on Wednesday 25th June 2025. Places are limited and it is on a first come basis.

The event is to familiarise you with the new Defibrillator purchased as a result of a very kind and generous contribution from the **Darren Uscroft Memorial Fund**.

On behalf of the residents of Holmpton village the Parish Council would like to thank the Uscroft family, Kerri Dawson, and supporters of Darren Uscroft's Memorial Fund who have worked so hard in Darrens memory, since Darrens untimely death in his sleep, 10 years ago when he was only 27 years old. The aim of the Memorial Fund has been to save lives and, raise awareness of cardiac risk in the young.

So far they have been able to fund three heart screening events in Withernsea and contributed towards or purchased 4 defibrillators in the area. Details of how to support through a donation to Darren Uscroft Memorial Fund. Lloyds Bank. Sort Code 30-99-50. Account: 56727468. If anyone wishes to host an event please contact Kerri Dawson Telephone: 07732 656605/ email: kerridawson71@gmail.com.

The decision to purchase a new defibrillator came about after researching the cost for a new battery and pads which was needed for the 10 year old existing defibrillator which had stood us well.

The new AED offers several benefits by taking advantage of modern technology. It includes built-in infant and child therapies, making it suitable for all age groups. It also

comes with a lower cost of ownership for the Parish, which is important when planning.

As part of this upgrade, we're also offering two free defibrillator awareness and CPR training sessions at the village hall on 25 and 26 June. These sessions are open to all, and we encourage as many residents as possible to come along. Knowing how to use a defibrillator and perform CPR is shown to significantly improve survival after cardiac arrest (British Heart Foundation, 2023; Resuscitation Council UK, 2023).