



AGM

Our AGM takes place at the Village Hall on **MONDAY JULY 20th** starting at 7.30pm. The AGM is an ideal time and place to either renew your membership or to become a member for the first time. For non-members, the entrance fee is £5.

One of the advantages of membership is free entry to our talks. Once the business of the AGM is complete there will be a talk. On this occasion we are delighted to welcome back John Risdon. John's theme for the evening will be '**Tidal Dart – A Thousand Year Journey up the Dart Estuary.**' Living in South Devon the Dart forms a backdrop to our lives. It gives its name to one of the most famous upland areas in the country – the Dartmoor National Park covering 368 square miles. The River Dart starts on the moor as the East Dart and West Dart becoming a single river at Dartmeet. After leaving the moor at Buckfastleigh, it flows through Totnes opening up into a long ria (drowned river valley) before reaching the sea at Dartmouth. The Dart estuary is tidal up as far as the Totnes weir and for many years, especially given the state of the roads, the river was the main thoroughfare for business and commerce.



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Our membership fee pays for these talks as well as our strong online presence with our website, Facebook page, and Flickr archive. We must not forget though the importance of our physical archive which requires specialist storage boxes. Located behind the stage at the Village Hall we have Parish Records, Tithe Maps, Family Folders, School Logbooks, Old Magazines, and Miscellaneous Documents. Maintaining all of this in good condition is a great asset to the Village.

