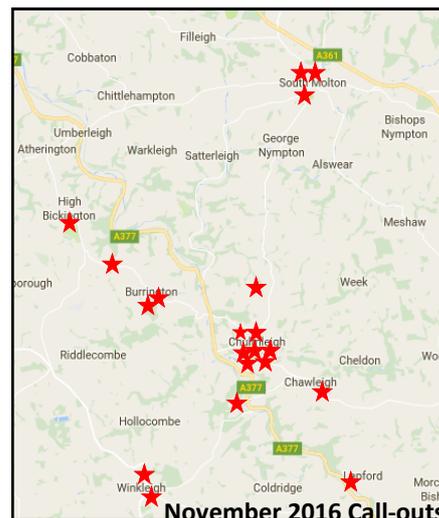




# DART Newsletter No 1 A Busy Start !



## Progress to date

Since the launch on the 1st of July the Chulmleigh Co-responders have responded to approximately 30 calls. The calls attended were classified as 11 Amber, 15 Red & 4 Purple calls. The AED has been deployed 4 times. Following the recent change in the ambulance call categorisation regime the Chulmleigh Co-responders have been busier, and have responded to approximately 15 calls in November. Bill Williams DSFR's lead responder officer will be changing his post on 12 December, we thank him for his support and encouragement and wish him well in his new role. We look forward to working with Rowan Delasalle who will be taking over.

## Recruitment

Chulmleigh has 5 co-responders who have *each* provided over 1000 hours of cover to date. There is an on-going and urgent need for additional fire-fighters [and hopefully co-responders] to be recruited. Chulmleigh has a current active establishment of 8 with 5 of those co-responding. Anyone who is interested in becoming a fire fighter please let Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue know!

## Equipment

Following recent discussions with the DSFR's Chulmleigh Watch Manager Derry Clarke DART have agreed to supply the Chulmleigh Co-Responders with a screen cover to manage the frosting nights that we are now having, a set of snow socks for when the weather really gets severe, and a tow rope purely as a contingency measure. We have also agreed to find the funding for the purchase of an additional pager to avoid the necessity for the fire-fighters to have to continuously run around transferring the pagers.

## Fundraising

Fundraising has to carry on all the time to keep this service running.  
The next day for your diaries is:

**A Quiz & Curry Night  
at  
The Red Lion**  
on 28th December starting at 7:30pm  
£5 per person including the curry.  
Teams up to 6 people  
Quizmaster Steve [the Taxi].

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

**Phil French DART Chairman**