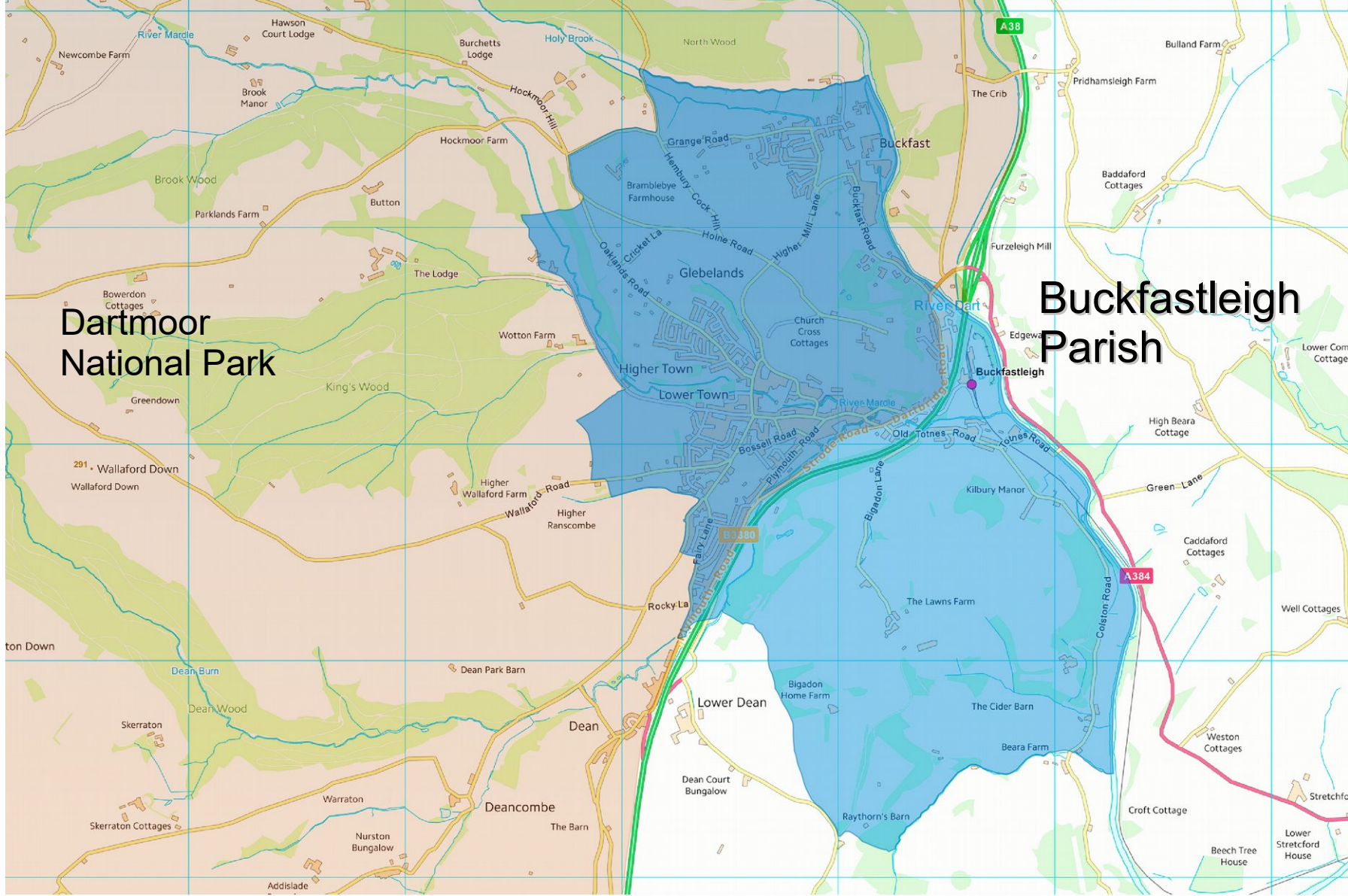


BUCKFASTLEIGH PARISH

(which, don't forget, includes Buckfast village!)

... and where it fits in the scheme of things...



Dartmoor
National Park

Buckfastleigh
Parish

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Local Authorities Powers & Duties

**Town/Parish councils can also issue fixed penalty fines for things like...*

- litter
- graffiti
- fly posting
- dog poo

National Government

Devon County Council (since 1889)

- education (not academies)
- economy & enterprise
- ?housing?
- transport...
- roads (except trunkroads & on-street parking)
- waste management
- environment
- fire & public safety
- planning decisions (transport, minerals & waste)
- trading standards
- libraries

Dartmoor National Park Authority (since 1997)

planning decisions (north)

...conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife & cultural heritage...
...promote public understanding & enjoyment of the park...
...foster economic & social well-being of local communities

Teignbridge District Council (since 1974)

- social care
- libraries
- social care
- litter bins?
- promote tourism
- public toilets
- rubbish/litter collection
- recycling
- ?parks & recreation?
- environmental health
- planning decisions (south)
- council tax & business rates collection
- elections
- ?housing?
- car parks/ off-street parking

Buckfastleigh* Town(Parish) Council (since 1974)

- play areas/play equipment
- community centres/village halls
- public clocks
- swimming pools
- allotments?
- recreation
- bus shelters
- grants to local organisations
- parks

Parish & Town Councils...

Duties & Powers

BUT
 this all changes
 after the 2011
 Localisation Act
 & the 'Power of
 Competence'

| Function | Powers and Duties | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| Annual tax to fund activities | Power to charge a tax or precept on its community and households in the parish | | Power to enter into agreement as to dedication and widening |
| Allotments | Powers to provide allotments, Duty to consider providing allotment gardens if demand unsatisfied, | | Power to provide roadside seats & shelters |
| Appointment of an internal auditor | Duty to appoint an independent and competent internal auditor | | Power to complain to district councils regarding protection of rights of way and roadside wastes |
| Baths & wash houses | Power to provide | | Power to provide traffic signs and other notices |
| Bio Diversity | Duty to consider in decision making | | Power to plant trees etc. and to maintain roadside verges |
| Burial grounds, cemeteries & crematoria | Power to acquire, provide and maintain shelters, Power to agree to maintain monuments & memorials, Power to contribute towards expenses of cemeteries, | Investments | Power to participate in schemes of collective investment |
| Bus shelters | Power to provide & maintain shelters, | Land | Power to acquire by agreement, to appropriate, to dispose of land Power to accept gifts of land |
| Bye laws | Powers to provide bye laws for: Pleasure grounds Cycle parks Baths & wash houses Open spaces & burial grounds | Litter | Provision of receptacles |
| Charities | Duties regarding parochial charities | Lotteries | Powers to promote |
| Christmas lights | Power to provide to attract visitors | Mortuaries & post mortem rooms | Powers to provide mortuaries and post mortem rooms |
| Citizens advice bureau | Power to support | Newsletters | Power to provide information relating to matters affecting local government |
| Clocks | Power to provide public clocks | Nuisances | Power to deal with offensive ditches |
| Closed churchyards | Powers to maintain | Open spaces | Power to acquire land & maintain |
| Commons & common pastures | Powers in relation to enclosure, regulation and management, providing common pasture. | Parish property & documents | Powers to direct as to their custody |
| Conference facilities | Power to provide and encourage use of facilities | Postal & telecommunications facilities | Power to pay public telecommunications operators any loss sustained providing post or telegraph office or telecommunication facilities |
| Community centres | Power to provide and equip community buildings Power to provide buildings for use of clubs having athletic, social or educational objectives | Public buildings & village hall | Power to provide buildings for offices and for public meetings and assemblies |
| Crime prevention | Powers to spend money on various crime prevention measures | Public conveniences | Power to provide |
| Drainage | Power to deal with ponds & ditches | Parks & pleasure grounds | Power to acquire land or to provide recreation grounds, public walks, pleasure grounds and open spaces and to manage and control them |
| Energy Saving | Power to promote in the community | Publish Information on a website | Duty on smaller authorities (Councils) to publish specified information on a website |
| Entertainment & the arts | Provision of entertainment and support of the arts including festivals and celebrations | Recreation | Power to provide a wide range of recreational facilities Provision of boating pools |
| Gifts | Power to accept | Town & Country planning | Right to be notified of planning applications |
| Highways | Power to repair and maintain public footpaths & bridle-ways Power to light roads & public places Power to provide parking places for vehicles, | Tourism | Power to contribute to organisations encouraging tourism |
| | | Traffic calming | Powers to contribute financially to traffic calming schemes |
| | | Transport | Powers to spend money on community transport schemes |
| | | Village signs | Power to use decorative signs to inform visitors |
| | | War memorials | Power to maintain, repairs, protect and adapt war memorials |
| | | Water supply | Power to use well spring or stream and to provide facilities for obtaining water therefrom |