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STAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

The latest meeting of the Parish Council took place on Thursday 18 July 2024 at 7.30pm. The meeting was held in the village hall.

We were pleased to welcome four members of the public who had several questions to ask the Parish Council. Parish Council meetings are open to the public and you are welcome to attend. The Parish Council meetings are very often attended by both our District Councillor, Richard van Dulken and County Councillor, Peter Schwier. If you would like to attend meeting dates for the remainder of 2024 are shown below. Agendas are available on the website or by contacting me (again details below).

Pavilion and Playingfield

A working party of parish councillors and a member of the public gave up their time to clean the gutters of the pavilion and install additional grass protection mesh

where vehicles can access the grass from the car park. This should help stop the area getting churned up on bonfire night. Thank you to everyone who helped with this. The trees on the playing field have been surveyed and some work will take place later in the year. The play equipment has had its annual inspection.

Full minutes and information are available on the village website – www.stambourne.com

Next meetings are:-

Thursday 19 September 2024

Thursday 21 November 2024

Both at 7.30pm in the village hall

Debbie Hilliard

Parish Clerk

Email: clerk@stambournepc.org.uk

Tel: 01440 785629

SAVE THE DATE

BONFIRE NIGHT 2024 - SATURDAY 9 NOVEMBER

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Contributions for the next newsletter (to cover events in October, November and December) to Karen Crago at kcrago@btinternet.com or the post box at Tagley Farm by Friday 27 September, please.

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ST. PETER & ST. THOMAS PARISH CHURCH

Work should start in September to the repair/replacement to parts of the Church tower. I am hoping that we can still use the Church for Sunday services but please look at the noticeboard for any updates.

I have received two suggestions, both relating to the Churchyard, and would appreciate your comments with regard to taking them further:

1. When the daffodils, that lead from the Church gate, flower in the Spring they are starting to look sparse in places and the suggestions were:
 - a) donations towards more bulbs (which could be in memory of a loved one)
 - b) help with planting them in the Autumn

2. Oscar Pickess does an excellent job of cutting the grass and strimming around the graves but there is a lot more work that could be done to keep our Churchyard looking tidy, for example the Cremation area, old graves that need tidying up, weeds on the path etc. Perhaps once or twice a year a “working party” could get together for this? Quite a few Churches do this now.

Please let me know if you are able to help with either of these suggestions or have other comments.

SERVICES AT STAMBOURNE FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS:

Date	Time	Service	
4 August		NO SERVICE – We will be attending Stambourne Chapel @ 10:45	
11 August	9:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev. Justin Tomkins
1 September	9:30 am	Morning Prayer	T.B.C.
8 September	9:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev. Justin Tomkins
		Tia Stickland will be Ordained today at Chelmsford Cathedral	
29 September	11:00 am	Benefice Service at St Peters Sible Hedingham - led by Rev. Justin Tomkins - ALL WELCOME	
6 October	9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Malcolm Buckland
13 October	9:30 am	Holy Communion & HARVEST FESTIVAL	Rev. Justin Tomkins

Offers to decorate and/or produce for the Church will be gratefully received on the Friday or Saturday for the Harvest Festival.

Val Kerrison, Churchwarden
Email: valeriekerrison@outlook.com
Tel: 01440 785752 or 07879816362



STAMBOURNE LADIES GROUP

A group of ladies and guests enjoyed a very interesting evening visit in June to see where Wendy metal detects and to look at her huge array of wonderful finds:



The group enjoyed a fish and chip supper at the Pavilion in July.



Wednesday 14 August

An impromptu Picnic at the park is being proposed

Wednesday 11 September – 7pm onwards

Talk: Hedgehogs; our prickly Woodland Friends

Stephanie Callister-Jarrold, who runs a British Owl and Bird for Prey Rescue Centre in Essex will give an illustrated talk.



Wednesday 9 October - 7 pm onwards

Oktoberfest: a hot supper with dessert to follow.

Please check www.stambourne.com for updated details and for further information on any of the events contact:

Lorna on 07980 922636 or Zoe on 07740 723057.

STAMBOURNE TRACTOR RUN



As most of you know we held a Tractor Run and Craft Fair in June. Thirty tractors took part, the sun shone and everyone had a wonderful time. We would like to thank everyone who helped, took part and supported the event. We made an amazing total of **£2,483.12** for Breast Cancer UK. Thankyou.



Report: Jenny James
Photos: Amy James



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VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Firstly we would like to say thank you once again to Lois Hunter for another lovely hanging basket at the village hall.

Dave and Doreen Murphy who were on the Village Hall Committee and lived next door to our hall have moved to fresh adventures and we wish them well.

You will notice that new “No Parking” signs have been put up at the village Hall. Parking is for hall users only and there is definitely no overnight parking allowed.

The committee have been looking for outside caterers. We have got one on the evening of Friday 2 August between 4 pm and 8 pm. They are Pizzeria Gusto! (Woodfired Pizza Oven). So don't forget to get your Pizza. If it proves popular we hope to have them again.

HALLOWEEN

A date for your diary. On 26 October there will be a Halloween Quiz plus a Grand Halloween Raffle. More details to follow. At the same event we will have a children's carved pumpkin competition in the afternoon.



The next Craft Market is also this day so plan to be around the village all day!

SILVER LINK

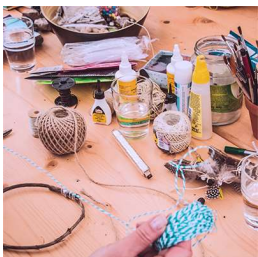
Silver Link meet at the Chapel between 2 pm and 4 pm on alternate Tuesdays. The next dates are:



13th August
27th August
10th September
24th September

8th October
22nd October

KNIT AND NATTER CLUB



At The Green Man, Toppesfield: Every Thursday — 5pm – 7pm

Everyone welcome! You don't need to be a member of the Stambourne Ladies Group, or be able to knit, to join us.

FREE ADMISSION — Just buy a drink from the pub. Contact Anna on 07944 696 527 for more details.



**Toppesfield + Gainsford End
Village Show**

**Sat 14th Sept
2.00pm**

Toppesfield Village Hall

Competitive Show

**Raffle Stalls Competitions
Refreshments**

A great afternoon for all the family

Further Info : Ann Read 01787 237464

