

## CONTACTS

### Church of England at St Mary's, Church Services:

1st Sunday	11.00am	Cafe church in All Saints Hall
2nd Sunday	11.00am	CW Holy Communion
3rd Sunday	11.00am	Morning Praise
4th Sunday	11.00am	CW Holy Communion
2nd and 4th Wednesdays	9.00am	BCP Holy Communion

The Rector Rev. Nick Clarke. Tel 07842 192402,  
revnickclarke@gmail.com  
The Vicarage, 1 Castle Street TA14 6RE  
website: www.hamhillchurches.org

ALL SAINTS HALL BOOKING SECRETARY	Ann Davison 07709 609488
BOYS BRIGADE - Weekly - Thursday 6.00pm - 7.30pm (now at Martock Christian Fellowship)	Ian Rumbelow 01935 881712
BRIDGE CLUB - Weekly - Monday starting at 8.30pm (Working Mens Club)	
BROWNIES - Weekly - Every Tuesday during term time (Hamdon Youth & Family Centre)	Jackie Poole 01935 823606
CRIME & MYSTERY BOOK GROUP	Kathy Smith 07366979178
FLEXERISE FOR FUN - At Oak Tree House every Monday at 2.30pm	Di Ramsay 0845 6434702
FOOTBALL - SENIOR TEAMS - Training Tuesday evenings 6.30pm. Matches weekend	Steve Deane 07881 464280 email: stevekatherine@hotmail.co.uk
FOOTBALL - YOUTH TEAMS - Training weekday evenings. Matches Saturdays & Sundays Stoke Youth Football Club www.facebook.com/groups/184504791723630	Contact: Steve Arnold (Chairman), email: stokefcchair@gmail.com & John Elliot (Secretary) 0775 562122, email: stokefcsec@gmail.com
FOOTPATHS - problems and issues contact the Parish Clerk	Sarah Moore, Clerk 01935 822455
GARDENING CLUB - Monthly - Fourth Wednesday 7.30pm (Memorial Hall)	Secretary: sec.sshgardeningclub@gmail.com. Tel : 01935 823691
HAM HILL COUNTRY PARK - VOLUNTEER RANGERS - Weekly Weds 9.50am-3.30pm (Ranger's Office)	Paul McNeill 07973 887129
HAMDON MEDICAL CENTRE	01935 822236
HAMDON YOUTH & FAMILY CENTRE - West Street	Contact: www.hamdonyouthcentre.co.uk email: hamdonyouthcentre@gmail.com
HISTORY GROUP	Carol Parker 825393
LIGHTHOUSE CAFE - Monday 10.00am - 1.00pm	Sarah Russell 826355
MEDITATION GROUP - Tuesdays at 7.30pm at Priory Coffee	Emma Herrod 01935 829443
MEMORIAL HALL BOOKING SECRETARY	bookings.stokememorialhall@hotmail.com. Mary Steel 01935 508996
PARISH COUNCIL - Monthly First Wednesday 7.00pm, The Hamdon Youth & Family Centre Website: stokesubhamdoncouncil.com	Lyn Foley, Chairman 01935 83051 or 07714 005265 Sarah Moore, Clerk 01935 822455
POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICER	Abby Linaker email: abby.linaker@avonandsomerset.police.uk
POST OFFICE COUNTER (INSIDE STOKE COMMUNITY SHOP) OPENING TIMES Monday & Friday 9.00am to 12 noon, Thursday 1.00pm to 4.00pm (excluding Bank Holidays)	
STOKE AND DISTRICT ANGLING ASSOCIATION	Derek Goad 01935 824337
STOKE BABY & TODDLER GROUP - Memorial Hall. Thurs.9.30am to 11.30am in term time	carolyn_lefley@hotmail.com Facebook: @StokeBabyAndToddlerGroup
STOKE COMMUNITY SHOP OPENING HOURS - Monday to Friday 8am - 4.30pm; Saturday 8am - 4pm; Sunday 8.30am - 12.30pm	01935 509100
STOKE LUNCH CLUB FOR OLDER PEOPLE. Lighthouse Café last Wednesday of the month.	Lyn Foley 01935 823051/07714 005265
STOKE SUB HAMDON BAND - Monday & Thursday 8.00pm - 10.00pm Castle School Training Section Mondays 7:00-7:45pm at Castle School	Gill Robins 01935 329904 Jane Herbert 01460 419317
STOKE SUB HAMDON SPORTS & RECREATION TRUST - www.stoke-rec-trust.co.uk email info@stoke-rec-trust.co.uk, Secretary - Peter Hulett 01935 824784, Fundraising Co-Ordinator - Denise Burton 01935 827793	Contacts: Chairman - John Allen, Denise Burton 01935 827793
STOKE PERFORMING ARTS GROUP	Contact Jeannie 01935 579592 or info@stokeperformingartsgroup.co.uk
STOKE WALKING GROUP, every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month	Penny on 822208 or Mark 07496 148756
TAEKWONDO & LITTLE DRAGONS - Mondays 5.00pm - 5.30pm Little Dragons; 5.30pm - 6.15pm Taekwondo beginners; 6.15pm - 7.00pm Taekwondo Adults (Stanchester)	Jennie Clark 07921 393425
TINY TURRETS (Castle Primary School) - Foundation Stage Unit for children aged 2 - 4 years Two daily sessions 9.00am - 12 noon and 12 noon - 3pm. Extended provision available from 7.45am - 5.30pm ages 3+	Castle Primary School Office 01935 822342
TRIANGLE TRUST - Raising funds for Hamdon Medical Centre	Jennie Harris 01935 881718
VILLAGE AGENT - Cluster SS2 Cath Holloway	cath@somersetccc.org.uk Tel: 07968 521746
VILLAGE ARTIST GROUP - Tuesdays 7.45pm-9.45pm & Friday 10.00am - 12 Noon (Memorial Hall) (during school term times only)	Ali Dunford 01935 823394
WORKING MENS CLUB - Daily - Lunch times & evenings	secretary@stoke.club and www.facebook.com/stokeworkingmensclub Mark Greaves 01935 823297
YOUTH CLUB - Weekly - Monday 7.00pm at Hamdon Youth & Family Centre	Youth Worker Lou on 07402 987921 or email lou.chant@cyp.me.uk

PARISH COUNCIL CLERK: MRS. SARAH MOORE, 24 HIGH STREET, STOKE SUB HAMDON TA14 6PS  
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## Stoke sub Hamdon Parish Council

# NEWSLETTER

October 2022

## PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

It has been a very sad month seeing the passing of our Sovereign Queen Elizabeth II. Our books of condolence were available in St Mary's Church and the Memorial Hall. The closed books are kept with the Parish records in accordance with national protocol. We welcome in our new King, King Charles III.

In our September meeting we saw the resignation of Mr. Hugh Donovan from the Parish Council. We have thanked him for his work for the Parish Council and the Community.

We also appointed three new Councillors: Mr Michael Phillips, Mr Richard Hodder and Mrs Helen Essex. We look forward to working with them to help develop our community.

The work of the Parish Council continues, however due to the recent events this has somewhat slowed. We will gather momentum again soon.

Thank you to those of you who completed the survey on the transport issues we have on our roads. We now have working groups looking at the issues that were raised at the Parish meeting. Please don't ignore any questionnaires that may come through your door from the Parish Council as it is a good way to inform the decision making.

*Lyn Foley*

*Chair of Stoke sub Hamdon Parish Council*



Articles for the Newsletter, or to advertise forthcoming events: please email or post to Sarah Moore by 16<sup>th</sup> of previous month. Contact information is on the bottom of the back page of this newsletter.

## ROAD CLOSURE

The A303 Southfields roundabout to Crewkerne (A356) will be closed overnight for road resurfacing works. The work will start on the evening of Monday 10th October and finish on the morning of Friday 21st October and will take place overnight between the hours of 8pm and 6am.

The work is currently programmed as follows:

- Monday 10th October to Friday 21st October - overnight closure of the westbound carriageway including A356 Prophets Lane entry and exit slips. Weeknights for 9 nights from 8pm until 6am the following morning.
- Tuesday 18th October to Friday 21st October - overnight closure of the eastbound and westbound carriageway including A356 Prophets Lane entry and exit slips. Weeknights for 3 nights from 8pm until 6am the following morning.



There will be a fully signed diversion route in place during the full overnight closures, but please allow extra time for your journey. National Highways make every effort to ensure the impact on the local

community and travelling public is kept to a minimum. National Highways always aim to work to the programme, however unforeseen circumstances or adverse weather conditions may mean changes. Please monitor [www.trafficengland.com](http://www.trafficengland.com) to keep updated.

If you would like further information about this work, please contact National Highways Customer Contact Centre on 0300 123 5000 open 24/7, who will direct your enquiry to the most appropriate person, or email: [info@nationalhighways.co.uk](mailto:info@nationalhighways.co.uk). For information on all our works in the Southwest please follow us on Twitter @HighwaysSWEST

## CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

Yet again, this year I hope to offer a Christmas Day lunch for those of you who are alone or not with your family. In an effort to work out where I should hold this, I would like some idea of numbers who may like to take part in this Lunch, this includes anyone who wants to volunteer to help. Please feel free to contact me either at home on 01935 823051, or you can leave your name and contact details with the Community Shop 01935 509100 who will pass on your details to me.

## LITTER AND FLY TIPPING

Are you a tradesman or a DIYer? Please can we ask you to be more careful and you make sure you clear up any scraps of metal, screws and nails that you may have dropped on the village's roads. These items have become an increasing problem littering our roads causing punctures to vehicle tyres.

There is also an increase in fly-tipping. Please can we ask everyone to dispose of their waste at the appropriate recycling centre. If you see any fly-tipping, you can report it by either going on the Parish Council's website and following the link under the 'Report It' section or contacting South Somerset District Council.

## LOCAL, FRIENDLY AND OPEN TO ALL

Do you have some free time in your day? You are invited to 'live, laugh, learn' making the most of your time with interesting meetings, outings and groups to continue learning, try something new, share your interests and make new friends.

You can enjoy all this with Martock & District u3a. We have a monthly meeting with a wide range of speakers and chat over tea and cake, group outings to venues and events, a variety of learning, interest and hobby groups including music, languages, hobbies, arts and sciences with new groups suggested to cover all members interests.

Next meeting, Wednesday 12th October 2.15pm at The Parish Hall. Martock: Service Dogs UK - the work in training assistance dogs to work alongside military and blue light veterans suffering with PTSD. How the rescue dogs are sourced and assessed to placement and by using rescue dogs they aim to rescue two lives at a time. More information about Martock & District u3a: email [martocku3amembership@gmail.com](mailto:martocku3amembership@gmail.com), telephone 01460 240788. website [www.u3a.org.uk](http://www.u3a.org.uk)

## CHARITY SHOP

On Saturday, 15th October, the Charity Shop will be running a jumble sale between 1pm and 3pm at Stoke Working Men's Club. Come along for bargains on clothing, bric-a-brac, toys, books, DVD's and more. There will be a cake stall and raffle too. Entry is 50p.

Don't forget all money raised goes back to your community. If you would like to help before, after or during the sale please contact Jane on 07770 984283.

## STOKE COMMUNITY SHOP: YOUR VILLAGE - YOUR SHOP

**Autumn into winter:** We're adding new products to our shelves - from home-baking essentials ideal for winter desserts to festive goodies and all your cold weather favourites. Pop in and **find out what we have in store.**



**Halloween fun:** We've lots of individual mix-up sweetie bags that are ideal for Halloween treats. And you can also buy your ticket from the shop for this year's Spooky Walk, which is being held on Sunday 30 October. You're guaranteed a spine-tingling experience!

**Newspaper and bread saves:** The Community Shop offers an order and save service for newspapers, magazines and bread. Please help us to keep our costs down by letting us know if you can't pick up your orders on the day. We can return newspapers for a refund only within a short period, but this isn't the case for bread where we need to sell anything we order.

**AGM:** We're holding our second AGM in the Memorial Hall on Friday 11 November at 6pm. It's open to all Members of SSHCS Ltd, who will receive notification of the event by post or email.

For more information about the shop and how you can get involved, visit [stokeshop.co.uk](http://stokeshop.co.uk) or [www.facebook.com/stokecommunityshop](https://www.facebook.com/stokecommunityshop)

## STOKE SUB HAMDON VILLAGE ARTIST GROUP AND SOMERSET OIL PAINTERS

### Autumn Art Exhibition

We are pleased to announce that Stokes sub Hamdon Village Artist Group and Somerset Oil Painters are working together to bring you an exhibition of their members' work.

Come and be amazed at the artistic talent in your very midst on view on Saturday 8th October 2022, in the Memorial Hall, Stoke sub Hamdon. Some of the art will be for sale and refreshments will be available from 11.00am -16.00 hrs. **TEA-CAKE-ART**

*Malcolm Uhlhorn, 01935 829513*

## VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Parish Council is looking for a volunteer to deliver the newsletter to residents in Morley Road. If you are happy to help once a month, please contact our Parish Clerk, Sarah Moore. Contact details are on the back of this newsletter.

## STOKE WALKING GROUP

October Walk Dates: 10th and 24th October. Walks start at the Lighthouse Cafe at 10am and last about an hour and a half and finish in time for a tea and a chat at the café. Come and discover more paths around Stoke. New walkers always welcome. Dress for the weather, stout footwear is recommended. Well behaved dogs on leads are also welcome.

The Stoke Walking Group is affiliated with the National Health Walk programme. The guided walks are led by trained walk leaders.

We have enjoyed some longer walks in the summer on additional Mondays, but these will be paused over the winter. Watch this space for when they will start again.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### OCTOBER

8th Village Artist Group & Somerset Oil Painters Autumn Exhibition

10th Stoke Walking Group

15th Charity Shop Jumble Sale

24th Stoke Walking Group

### NOVEMBER

11th Stoke Community Shop AGM