

# STOGURSEY NEWS



*Seasonal Fruits: Plums in a Stogursey Garden*

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## September 2020

Deadline for **OCTOBER** contributions:  
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## Editorial

This month's cover photo reminds us that the summer is coming to an end and fruits will soon be ripe for picking. As autumn arrives even in this strange year it seems likely that some normality will return. Youngsters will be returning to school, some services will be taking place again in the church and some events are planned to take place.

It is good to know that some of the initiatives that emerged during the lockdown have proved to be so worthwhile. The Stogursey Community Support Network intends to continue the Share-a-Meal scheme, and even plans to offer a Lunch Club as well.

The fact that the magazine is delivered to every household ensures that all members of the community can both inform and be informed. (Even cats have a say.)

Nicky Morgan has said in her Rectory Ramblings, "Lockdown and the Coronavirus have made us realise just how important everyday contacts are". We are so glad that we have Stogursey News that can play its part in keeping these contacts going.

Let's enjoy our socially distanced meetings and the late summer days.

**Editorial Team**

### Stogursey-Online.uk

This is the parish website. It hosts pages for events, societies, community links and Parish Council news.

You can post local upcoming events on the parish website [www.stogursey-online.uk](http://www.stogursey-online.uk)

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### Stogursey News

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### b) by hand:

- \* Write or type your contribution.
- \* Put it into the 'Stogursey News' box in the Post Office.

### A few points to remember:

- Submit your contribution by the deadline date.
- Keep within the 500-word limit.
- Provide your contact details so that we can get in touch if we need to edit.  
*(Stogursey News Team reserves the right to edit contributions for length and layout.)*
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# Rectory Ramblings

So we are no longer in Lockdown, but life is hardly back to the 'normal' that we knew this time last year. We have been fortunate to date in this part of the country, but there are other parts of the UK where life will have been far more difficult for people than that which we have experienced.

Nevertheless, things have changed and for some decisions have been precipitated by these months of Lockdown. As I write Jocelyn and Michael Beaton of Holford are preparing to leave their beautiful country cottage which has been home for many, many years, and to move into a care home closer to family in Wellington. We have enjoyed many years of hospitality at the Dye House in Holford, for the legendary Cream Teas each August and for PCC meetings in their warm and welcoming lounge. Michael has served as Churchwarden and on the PCC for as long as can be remembered and has gifted many beautiful objects to the church through his carpentry skills. Michael and Jocelyn have been faithful members of Holford congregation and have been committed attenders at all churches since the introduction of the Benefice Service. We have all valued Jocelyn's thoughtful prayers of intercession and the depth of their faith. We hold them in our thoughts with our prayers and love as they make this courageous and perhaps difficult step, which will take them closer to family and to receiving the care that they deserve and from which they will benefit.

Perhaps slightly more of a bolt out of the blue was the news that Janet and Nick Kroner of Stogursey are selling their beautiful house at Burton and moving to be closer to family. The house apparently sold within a day of being put on the market, and Janet and Nick are suddenly having to let go of years of memories and possessions as they prepare to move to a smaller property. Janet tells me that they have been in Stogursey for eighteen years. Arriving here eight years ago myself, it seemed then that Janet and Nick had been part of the village for ever. Janet and Nick have both been readers and intercessors, workers in the church, always willing to respond to calls for help. Janet was Philip Reilly's admin assistant and was initiated into the workings of the newly formed Quantock Coast Benefice. It was Janet who master-minded the wonderful Wreath Festival that was staged in Stogursey in 2018, and is a loyal member of the Craft Group and a regular worker at the Friday Coffee Morning. We hold Janet and Nick too in our thoughts and prayers with love and thanksgiving as they make this step, which is right for them.

It is hard to imagine church life without either Jocelyn and Michael or Janet and Nick. It is also sad that, with things being as they are, we cannot have the 'Thank You Farewells' that we would wish. In normal times life goes on day by day, we see people and know that they are there. Lockdown and the Coronavirus has made us realise just how important those everyday contacts are when we can no longer just be in touch, drop by and say hello.

Church is another thing that has changed and which we can now no longer take for granted. As I write today I am still unsure what the service schedule will look like for September. One thing that has become clear, however, is that some people are not yet ready to return to a service in church, and that for others, because of age and frailty this had already become impossible for them prior to Covid. The service via Zoom each Sunday has enabled these once again to reconnect with church and with friends. Having talked with others, it therefore seems to me that for the time being, we should be thinking of having three Sundays in church, and that on the fourth Sunday of the month the service should be held via Zoom in order that a larger number of people can share together in worship, see and talk to one another, and especially provide a service for those who, for whatever reason, are unable to physically come to a church building.

The option of Zooming quality services from church, as has been happening throughout August, is not a viable long term option at present. Most of the equipment that is used (and it is a lot) is kindly on loan and is set up and operated by someone who knows exactly what is needed to achieve a good result, and indeed who knows how to use the little technology that WQH church owns to feed into the bigger picture. We cannot expect John to do this for us on a weekly basis, as he has his own commitments. But he has kindly offered to help us out as and when, and should we decide to invest in equipment longer term is thinking about what we would need. We do very much thank John, and his wife Ros, for the time and expertise he has given to us.

These are changing times and, as we know well, change can be challenging. I would ask you to bear with me, and all work together as we forge a way forward that is acceptable, safe and inclusive for all.

With love and prayers

*Nicky*

# Treasure Hunts



## On Your Bikes!

Enjoy a cycle ride around the local lanes and byways, looking for answers to the Treasure Hunt clues. The trail starts at the Youth Club in Stogursey on **Sunday afternoon, 20<sup>th</sup> September**, and finishes back at the Youth Club with light refreshments.

### Details:

- For family groups or pairs
- Children (under 11) must be accompanied by an adult,
- Children (11 - 16) must have parents'/carers' permission.
- Register from 2.15pm on the day: Adults £2.50; Family £5.00; Unaccompanied children £1.00.
- Teams set off from 2.30pm (departures will be staggered)
- Hand in your completed trail sheet, and get your refreshments, when you return to the Youth Club.
- Prize-giving at 4.30pm!

### Some important points for all cyclists taking part:

- All bikes must be roadworthy;
- We strongly advise that you wear a cycle helmet and a hi-viz garment;
- Every cyclist takes part at his/her own risk and must 'cycle safely', paying particular attention at junctions.
- The route is not stewarded - but we don't want anyone to get lost, so you'll be given a contact number!

*If you have any questions about this event, please phone Teresa/Ian on 01278 733052*

## Not Got a Bike? . . . GO FOR A HIKE!

So how well do you know Stogursey? Why not enjoy a walk - with some steps - around the village looking for clues, counting a variety of animals, solving riddles etc. For a small fee (to include refreshments and the chance to win a prize or two) you can join our **WALKING TREASURE HUNT** on **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September** starting from the Youth Club Car Park at 2.30pm

### Details:

- Fun for individuals, couples, families
- Children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult
- Older children (11-16) must have parents'/carers' permission
- Register from 2.15pm on the day: Adults £2.50; Family £5.00; Unaccompanied children £1.00.
- Hand in your completed map when you return to the Youth Club and get your refreshments
- Prize-giving at 4.30pm!

*If you have any questions about this event, please phone Caroline on 01278 733162*

## Diary Events:

- 8<sup>th</sup> September: Parish Council Meeting
- 10<sup>th</sup> September: Mobile Library Visit
- 20<sup>th</sup> September: Treasure Hunts
- 11<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Quiz

## Pat on the back

Obviously the editors of Stogursey News are not going to give themselves a public pat on the back! They have carried on producing Stogursey News without a break, keeping us up to date and entertained.

A pat on the back too for those who have kept the Gravel blooming with summer flowers, a morale booster for passers-by.

Thank you all.

*Jane Taunton*



## Hello Film Goers,

We hope you are all keeping well during these extraordinary times.

We have been in constant contact with our film distributors over the last few months and have been taking the advice given by the government and Moviola, our film distributors, on the best way forward to secure the health and safety of our audience and ourselves.

With this in mind, we have decided to re-open in the new year in the hope that things will be back to some sort of normal by then. If for any reason this is not the case then we will keep you updated. We are leaning on the side of caution and feel it is better to be safe than sorry.

As to the film selection for next year then we will have to see what is available, but can assure you that the films chosen will be as varied and interesting as previously selected.

Looking forward to a year of great films and great company for 2021.

*The Soap Factory Team*

## In Defence of Cats

In response to the complainants (Stogursey News July and August), cats will be cats.

Most of us in Stogursey are fortunate in having gardens, often lovingly tended, where cats are able to follow their instincts, unaware of NIMBYism. Spare a thought for cats in increasingly paved suburban gardens, unable to do what is instinctive and cover their traces. Heaven forbid an influx of townie cats to our village!

Here are a few suggestions to mitigate the cat problem in Stogursey:

- If you have space, leave a patch for cats, nicely tilled to welcome them. You might want to do a Big Cat Count first, to determine how much space to leave. Remember that cats tend to practise social distancing and to restrict their bubble to one – themselves.
- Try sprinkling citrus peel around your plants to put cats off. I admit it will not add to the appeal of your flowerbed but . . .
- Dot your beds with curry plants – cats hate the smell and taste of curry.
- Cover your beds with twigs, preferably thorny ones, while your plants are establishing themselves.
- Try using Charles Dowding's no-dig method ('No Dig Organic Home and Garden' or YouTube) to avoid unpleasant discoveries.
- As for cats' killer instinct, it seems more pronounced in some than others. Some cats see anything live which moves as fair game. Owners who care about wildlife survival might consider putting bells on their cat's quick release collar, the more the merrier and the louder the better.

Remember that for some people their cat is as much a companion as the next person's partner or dog. So, like it or not, cats are here to stay UNLESS a global pandemic manages to wipe them out. That probably won't be COVID-19, which is having little impact on domestic felines, unlike us humans.

Mindful of the welfare of the neighbourhood cats, I shall try to remain anonymous.

## iPad and Computer Club - Holford Village Hall - re-starting Sept 7th

The use of technology in recent times has increased significantly. On-line video calls, medical consultations, quizzes, and committee/work meetings have all become the 'new normal'. This has encouraged some people to try to learn more about their PC or Tablet.

For the past 4 years Holford Village Hall has been the venue for a very informal Monday morning computer club. It is currently closed because of Covid-19 but plans to re-start on Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Anyone from across the Quantocks is welcome, from beginners to experienced users.

It is not a structured course. Classes are very informal. We investigate different types of App, talk about scams, the internet, and explore how best to use 'settings' etc. Users bring their issues to the class and solutions are found. It can be as simple as not knowing how to cut / copy & paste through to how to build a complex spreadsheet and store things 'on the cloud'.

Trying to explain how to do something on an Apple iPad often makes little sense to the user of a Samsung tablet or Windows PC! So, there are two user groups, each meeting in separate rooms. Peter Grandfield helps with those with Windows / Android machines. Alan Falkingham used his expertise with Apple products to help iPad / iPhone / Mac users. Most attendees have a Tablet: iPad or Android - but PC / Laptop users are very welcome.

Classes are organised by Alan Falkingham and will re-start on Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup> (10.00 am to 12.00 noon). Only £3 per person including tea/coffee and biscuits. The class will only go ahead if sufficient people are interested (min 12) and will be subject to any Covid-19 rules (e.g. social distancing / one-way system / masks).

Holford Village Hall and the organiser have each undertaken a thorough risk assessment and the Hall is "Covid-19 Secure".

**If you are interested, please email [alan.falkingham@gmail.com](mailto:alan.falkingham@gmail.com) or call 01278 741711 for a chat or to reserve a place.**

### **Solution to Quick Crossword No 3 (August 2020)**

#### **Clues Across:**

1. jackdaw, 5. sepia, 8. plimsolls, 9. PVC, 10. newer, 12. episode, 13. cruiserweight, 15. redpoll, 17. ranch, 19. coo.  
20. apiarists, 22. setts, 23. hamlet

#### **Clues Down:**

1. Japan, 2. chi, 3. deserts, 4. Walter Raleigh, 5. sushi, 6. pipe organ, 7. ancient, 11. woundwort, 13. Caracas,  
14. eardrum, 16. opals, 18. husks, 21. sue

## EXMOOR MACULAR SOCIETY SUPPORT GROUP, DULVERTON

This month we were supposed to celebrate our 3rd anniversary. Unfortunately, we are still not allowed to meet as a group, but we are in frequent contact with each other either via personal telephone calls or our twice-monthly telephone conferences which the Macular Society very kindly installed for us.

Here is a little reminder how to keep Macular Degeneration at bay:

- Eat fresh food, particular green vegetables like spinach, kale and broccoli which contain natural Lutein
- Don't smoke
- Not too much alcohol.
- Wear sunglasses when you go outside. Sunlight can do damage to your eyesight at any age.
- Go slow and hold on to a banister
- Go to the ophthalmology department of your hospital at the first sign of seeing wavy lines, which were straight before (i.e. door or window frames) or if you

suddenly have black spots in your vision, or your up-to-date reading glasses don't help you enough to read, particularly if there seem to be black spots on the paper.

- But most of all: Enjoy life, do all the things you can still do. You might need help, but who doesn't.

If you, the reader, are interested in having Macular Degeneration explained to you by an expert, have a look at Mr Peter Simcock's - Consultant Ophthalmologist at Exeter and the West of England Hospital - lecture on YOU TUBE in the TOP DOCTORS series, followed by an explanation of the Charles Bonnet Syndrome, the hallucinations I explained last month.

We are very happy to cautiously emerge from the lock-down and to be able to do a little shopping or to have visits from our families. Just be patient with us if we are out and about, a little slow in keeping a distance (difficult for us to judge), getting out of the way on the pavements and choosing our items in the shop.

With best wishes to all.

Marion and Royce

Tel: 01398 371 450



## QUICK CROSSWORD No. 4

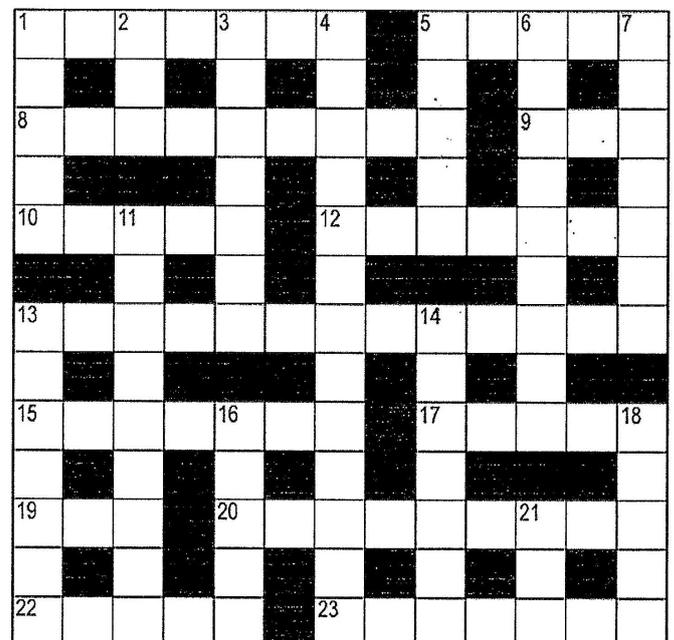
compiled by Helen Cuttall

### CLUES ACROSS

1. Argues in a formal way (7)
5. Short story conveying a moral (5)
8. Brightly coloured nectar feeding insect (9)
9. Short for Dorothy (3)
10. Unit of weight equal to 1000kg (5)
12. Small insect that lives in colonies (7)
13. Very large Tropical insect (7,6)
15. Device that produces a small flame (7)
17. Computer that selects Premium Bond winners (5)
19. Cathedral city in Cambridgeshire (3)
20. Yeoman of the Guard (9)
22. Female goat (5)
23. Person thought to be guilty of an offence (7)

### CLUES DOWN

1. First performance in public (5)
2. Wooden implement used to hit a ball (3)
3. Mother - - - - - Catholic nun and Saint (7)
4. Belts to secure a person working at high level (6,7)
5. Entrance hall of a building (5)
6. Game with rackets (9)



7. The highest degree (7)
11. 17<sup>th</sup>C English actress who sold oranges (4,5)
13. Old Spanish sailing ship (7)
14. Solitaire card game (7)
16. Domestic striped cat (7)
18. White heron (5)
21. Stand to support a golf ball (3)



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## SCSN News September 2020

The Stogursey Community Support Network is still very active and busy. Here are some of the things we are doing, have done and plan to do!

Currently, we are:

Continuing to provide and develop the **Stogursey Share-a-Meal scheme**. This involves some of our wonderful volunteers providing a weekly home-cooked meal to a 'diner' who may be unable to cook for themselves on a regular basis. Meals are one dinner portion cooked at home by the volunteer. This, along with a cooked pudding, is delivered in suitable containers to the diner's own home. We have had some lovely feedback from our happy diners!

As promised in last month's update, we have now applied for funding to extend this scheme. If successful, this would allow us to provide a subsidy to our volunteer cooks in the future, in order to help cover the cost of the extra ingredients. We hope this may encourage more of our local residents to get involved, in the short term. If our plans are successful, this will be replaced by...

**Big News!** The funding we have applied for is also to provide a weekly **Lunch Club** for anyone who would like to come along. This will run alongside the home-delivered meals. The Club would provide a meal at a very reasonable cost (just to cover our expenses, although we will subsidise even this cost in the first 6 months), as soon as Covid regulations allow this to happen. We hope to recruit a team of volunteers for cooking, transporting diners, general front of house meeting and greeting, set up and clear up. This would involve the volunteers on a monthly rota only, so the commitment is no more than one day/month.

**If you are interested in getting involved in the new S-a-M Lunch Club, please contact us!**

Continuing to take the village's donations to the **Quantock Foodbank** and bringing back parcels for some residents, which, at the moment, are still delivered to their doors.

So far, this parish has been amazing in its response to the need for Foodbank donations. Please keep them coming! Rev'd Nicky's garage remains the repository for donations. Thank you.

Continuing to deliver **medical prescriptions**, but only to those patients who cannot get to their Medical Centre or the Post Office to collect their own medications (determined by the Surgery). At the time of writing, this service is only for prescriptions from Quantock Surgery. A rota of volunteers will collect these medications on a **Friday** after 11.00 and deliver them immediately. If the patient is not at home, the Surgery will attempt to call the relevant patient, if they cannot be reached the prescription must be returned to the Surgery.

There are plans to extend this service to the Cannington Surgery, but these cannot be confirmed at present. Cannington Surgery patients to whom this service would be offered will be contacted by the Surgery in due course.

*And finally . . . (see next page)*

# SCSN News September 2020

The SCSN-run **Family Festival** took place on the Victory Hall Playing Field on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August. The event was funded by Sport England, via SASP (Somerset Activity & Sports Partnership) and the various activities were mostly provided by the fabulous **South West Athletics Academy**. What an enthusiastic bunch!

Our own SCSN volunteers provided other activities such as Splat the Rat and Funky Masks, plus some lovely village teenagers came to help and joined in. Thanks everyone! Although the rain did unfortunately 'stop play' around 3pm (instead of the planned 4pm finish), it was a fantastic day, with a great range of activities on offer. Those families who came along had a wonderful time, as you can see!



## Stogursey Arts Trust

### "Be willing to get fired for a good idea."

Spike Jones

Last month we introduced the format for this year's Arts Festival, which incorporates 'exhibitions' from your home. We asked the Arts Trust team to come up with their ideas for what they would like to do, providing a few examples to help start every one thinking about Stogursey's very own 'Outside Art Gallery'.

Here are some of their thoughts:

*"Our windows are back from the street and partly obscured by 2 conifers (of dubious beauty). I thought of possibly silhouette figures back-lit in an upstairs bedroom window perhaps?"*

*"I am going to create a Lowry-esque street scene, with 'matchstick men and matchstick cats and dogs'. It may even have the old factories from Stogursey's past, including the abattoir, the soap factory, the tan yard, the watermill and the lace mill. It promises to be the best display in Lime Street!"*

*"We are going to be 'traditional' and have a garden produce theme. Flowers and veg, including some grown from seeds from the Seed Swap."*

*"I'm going on a journey in space & time. Voyaging beyond known worlds to another dimension."*

*"The holiday that never was. As I dip into cookery recipes of food from exotic places, I dream of a holiday that never was. The sea, the palm trees, the pool and cocktails. So as we head for winter, still under the Corona Cloud, I'd like to cheer myself with a dream window that says 'holidays'."*

*"I am going to turn my window into a fish tank, complete with seashells, fish and lobsters. It may even have some shipwrecked treasure. It will be backlit so it lights up at night and gives a submerged watery feel to the display."*

Judy in the High Street has already made a start, and has done a great job converting her front window into a picture gallery, featuring the work of local artist Alison Jacobs. Judy will be adding to the list of artists she will be exhibiting, so let her know if you want to be part of her window project. We will be using Judy's window to provide more information on the Festival in the near future, so do take a look when you are passing.

**The 'Outside Art Gallery' will open for a week from the 26th October to 1st November.**

Even if circumstances change and restrictions are re-imposed we can all be relatively safe visiting it, as it is not inside.

If you have an idea of what you would like to do, that you want to share or need advice on, do get in contact, you won't be fired! Follow us on Stogursey Arts Festival Facebook. Additional information on future events will be posted at [www.stogurseyartsfestival.co.uk](http://www.stogurseyartsfestival.co.uk)

Don't forget to keep sending us your photos of life now following Lockdown, by posting us a message through our Facebook channel or emailing us the attachments at: [pictures@stogurseyartsfestival.co.uk](mailto:pictures@stogurseyartsfestival.co.uk)

Be creative, stay safe, stay alert and send feedback on how things are going with the planning of your window(s).

Mike Bradshaw for Stogursey Arts

### Stogursey Oil-buying Group

The Stogursey Oil Buying Group's next order will be in September. The scheme is open free of charge to all households within the Stogursey News distribution area except those whose oil delivery has to be made through the house. The minimum order is 500 litres. We usually get oil for 3 to 4 pence per litre less than the price quoted for individual orders.

The next order after this one will be in November.

If you have any questions about the oil buying group, I can be contacted on 732191.

Chris Ford

#### To place an order please:

Telephone (01278 732191) or  
Email [stogurseyford@gmail.com](mailto:stogurseyford@gmail.com)

**by Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> of September**

with the following information:-

- ◆ Name
- ◆ Address and Postcode
- ◆ Email (if available)
- ◆ Telephone Number
- ◆ Amount of oil required . . . litres

Note: Please specify an amount and not an unknown quantity such as top up.

- ◆ Special instructions

**To avoid unnecessary journeys during the Coronavirus restrictions, do not leave a form in the Post Office.**

**Delivery will be in the 10 day period commencing 14 September.**

# Points from the Parish Council

## August 2020

### Additional Defibrillator

We are hoping that a third defibrillator will be installed shortly at The Babbling Brook, Shurton, accessible for use 24-hours a day. It will supplement the two current units in Stolford and Stogursey. This has been made possible by a grant from the HPC Community Small Grant Programme provided by Somerset Community Foundation. Once installed it is hoped that some user training for residents can be provided locally subject to a Covid-safe venue being available.

### Adopt a Kiosk

The Parish Council debated the offer from BT for them to adopt the telephone kiosks on Vicarage Road, Stogursey and Forge Close in Burton, both of which have been identified for removal due to low usage. The Council, due to liability issues and likely costs of repair and maintenance being a drain on public funds, voted by a majority not to take up the offer. So it is highly likely that they will be removed later in the year.

### Himalayan Balsam

There was growing concern expressed over the lack of maintenance of water courses in many spots around the parish. We regularly remind riparian rights owners of their responsibilities, but we are now notifying the Environment Agency, SCC and Somerset Rivers Authority of the areas affected in order for them to take legal enforcement action.

Himalayan Balsam along with several other noxious weeds, like Japanese Knotweed, Giant Hogweed and Ragwort can cause real dangers not just to pedestrians and buildings, but can also affect flood relief channels. The following link provides information on reporting noxious weeds direct to Somerset County Council; <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/waste-planning-and-land/report-noxious-weeds/> .

### Footpaths are for the most vulnerable road users - PEDESTRIANS

The benefits of keeping fit and cycling to work are well known, but issues have been raised over the illegal use of footpaths by cyclists, especially in Shurton. Many take their daily exercise on foot and should be able to use the numerous footpaths in the parish without being confronted by some cyclists ignoring the rules of the road by cycling on the footpath. Walking through a narrow footpath with your cycle is allowed and the few seconds it takes to dismount to do so may save one of our

vulnerable residents from being injured. Stay safe and be kind to others.

### Hinkley B preparation for Decommissioning

An extraordinary meeting of the Hinkley B site stakeholders group was held to inform members that the station was about to apply to SCC, as Waste Authority, for permission to construct new buildings and facilities on site in order to begin decommissioning activities in 2023. There would be opportunities for public consultation regarding this in due course. The Parish Council has concerns about further construction traffic on the C182 during these proposed works during HPC peak build and trust that these will be addressed through a Traffic Management plan.

### THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020

The next Parish Council meeting is anticipated to be on the Zoom platform again. Members of the public are invited to attend and should contact the Clerk for details. The agenda will be displayed on the parish website 3 days before the meeting. I look forward to hearing from you on any issues you wish to discuss. My phone number is 01278 652534 or you can e-mail me at [stogurseyccclerk@gmail.com](mailto:stogurseyccclerk@gmail.com)

*Richard Wand*  
Clerk to Stogursey Parish Council

PS Asked to check that the Priory Hill grit bin was ready for the winter, this is the sight that greeted the Parish Council Chairman Chris Morgan:



**Please take your litter home . . .**

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Sue Goss (vice-Chair)

Judy Bastick, Rebecca Calvert, Eileen Chave, Chris Ford, Susan E Jones, Steve O'Driscoll, Jenny Ody, Helga Staddon

Clerk: Gillian Orchard 01278 653824

Meetings: monthly date & venue as published

7.15 - 7.30 Public Forum - for parishioners to attend & ask questions,

from 7.30 pm Councillors' meeting - parishioners may attend and listen. **Read Parish Council notes within for details of video-meeting for SEPTEMBER's meeting.**

### West Somerset & Ward Councillors:

Chris Morgan [cllr.c.morgan@somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.c.morgan@somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk)

### Site Stakeholders Group Representatives:

Sue Goss, Chris Morgan

### Somerset County Council

All services 0300 123 2224

### Parish Neighbourhood Welcome Pack

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Wick & Stolford: Susan E Jones 652287

Stogursey & Shurton: Chris Morgan 734887

### EdF Main Site Neighbourhood Forum

#### Representatives for the Hamlets:

##### Burton and Knighton

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### EdF Contacts:

#### Hinkley Point C Drop-Ins /Main Site Forums

Main Site forums currently being held on-line - see Immy's Update for details

#### HPC Hotline

for enquiries or complaints 0333 009 7070

### Community Venues

Victory Hall & Youth Club - Allan Searle 732820

Church Rooms - Belinda Crowther 734695

St. Peter's Church Stolford - Susan E Jones 652287

### Stogursey Community Support Network (SCSN)

Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/StogurseyCSN](https://www.facebook.com/StogurseyCSN)

Phone: 07485 350560 or 01278 732149.

### Health Centres

Cannington 01278 652335

Quantock (Nether Stowey) 01278 732696

Out-of-hours (for both centres) 111

The surgeries held in Stogursey at the Church Rooms and St Audries Centre are temporarily cancelled during the Covid-19 pandemic.

### ♥ Defibrillator

♥ is located on the wall between Stogursey Motors and The Corner Shop.

### Mobile Library: Route G

The library visits on Thursdays - every 4 weeks

#### Shurton

Babbling Brook 12.15 pm - 12.45 pm

#### Stogursey

Greyhound Inn 1.25 pm - 2.20 pm

Town Close (No 30) 2.25 pm - 3.00 pm

#### Next Visiting Dates:

10 September; 8 October

For more information, contact Libraries Direct by

Telephone 0300 123224, or

Email at [www.somerset.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.somerset.gov.uk/libraries)

### POLICE

**Non-Emergencies- Call 101      Emergencies - Call 999**

#### Community Policing & Speed Watch Volunteers

Jamie Munro PC 4376 Neighbourhood Beat Manager

Williton & Watchet (AW052). Mobile: 07889 659436

Email: [jamie.munro@avonandsomerset.police.uk](mailto:jamie.munro@avonandsomerset.police.uk)

#### Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) and Criminal Damage

If you see any ASB or criminal damage incidents, please **phone the Police on 101**. Give as much information, including names, as you possibly can. These are Police matters, and the Police need our help to stop them. The number of complaints made from an area are noted. The more complaints received, the more justification to allocate police time and manpower to deal with problems.

*Complainants' names are not released to the perpetrators.*

## Immy's Update

The Hinkley Point C Marine team have completed transportation of the next mega-machine, outfall Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM) named Emmeline, to her launch site. The largest component of the machine arrived via Combrich Wharf last year and, along with other parts, has been used to construct Emmeline. In order to reach the launch site she had to be carefully transported from one side of site to the other, a journey taking 3 hours.

There are three Tunnel Boring Machines in total; Mary, Emmeline and Beatrice, that will be building the offshore tunnels of the cooling water system for the new nuclear power station. Tradition states that each of the machines has to be officially named before they start work, and as the patron saint of miners and tunnellers is Saint Barbara, they are given female names.

Emmeline, who was named by Stogursey Church of England Primary School's year 5 pupils, was named after Lady Emmeline Pethick-Lawrence. Bristol born, she was a women's rights activist who fought tirelessly for the right to vote.

Emmeline is the largest of the three machines being used on the project. With a cutter head measuring 8 metres in diameter, she will form a 7 metre diameter tunnel which will be 1.8km in length. The Outfall Tunnel will sit 33 metres under the Bristol Channel and will act as the final stage of the cooling water system, returning water back into the Channel.

Mary, the first of the Intake Tunnel Boring Machines to be launched back in September last year, is well on her way to complete her 3.5km journey. She has already tunnelled over 1.6km from the foreshore and the team have recently installed the 1000th concrete ring. You may have seen the curved concrete segments, used to form the rings, travelling to site.

Beatrice is currently under construction at the HPC site and once complete she will be launched to create Intake Tunnel 2, mirroring the activity Mary has completed for Intake Tunnel 1, next year.

For more information on the tunnelling works or to get the latest information on the project, please visit our website [edfenergy.com/hpc](https://edfenergy.com/hpc).

Alternatively, if you have any questions, please do get in touch using the details below and we will be happy to help.

Take care,

Immy

*Emmeline the Tunnel Boring Machine*



## Get in touch

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# Hinkley Point C look ahead

## September 2020

We carefully manage our works at Hinkley Point C, ensuring our construction activity has minimal impact on our neighbours. However, you may still see and hear some aspects of the work. This is a summary of some of our current works:

Location		Description of works
1	Tunnelling	The second Tunnel Boring Machine, Emmeline, has now been transported to her launch site in the deep dig. She will begin tunnelling the Outfall tunnel in Autumn. Emmeline was named by Stogursey Primary School after Bristol born Emmeline Pethick-Lawrence who was a women's rights activist. Find out more about the tunnelling works on our <a href="#">website</a> .
2	Simulator Building	Works continue on the Simulator building. This facility, together with the National College for Nuclear in Cannington, will be an important part of training the future operators of the power station.
3	South Plaza	You may remember in Autumn last year we took delivery of large fuel tanks via Combwich Wharf. The empty Emergency Diesel Generator (EDG) fuel tanks will now be sanded down and painted ahead of their installation on Unit 1. This will be one of the first big activities carried out by the Mechanical, Electrical & HVAC (MEH) team.
4	Southern Infrastructure Project	Construction of the Emergency Access Road will continue. For more information please visit the FAQ section on our <a href="#">website</a> where a specific update is posted.
Off Site	Combwich Wharf	In early Autumn, demolition works will begin on the Abnormal Loads Quay. For more information on the refurbishment works, please visit the FAQ section on our <a href="#">website</a> where a specific update is posted.

**In other news...**  
 We recently undertook work to improve the underfoot conditions of the Ben Hole Lane footpath. During the Southern Infrastructure Project this footpath will be used to reach the South West Coast Path from Shurton.

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 E-mail us at: [hinkley-enquiries@edf-energy.com](mailto:hinkley-enquiries@edf-energy.com)  
 Call us on our 24/7 hotline: 0333 009 7070

The HPC Jobs Service is there to support people into jobs on the project. Visit [www.edfenergy.com/hpcjobs](http://www.edfenergy.com/hpcjobs) to register for the latest opportunities.

## Young HPC Resources

Did you know we have a specific programme which supports those aged 16-21 find their dream career? Young HPC is designed to give guidance and resources to help people find out what makes them tick and what careers may interest them.

The programme also helps explain all the various routes into employment, for instance the difference between a apprenticeship and an internship.

Whether it's support with a CV, preparing for interviews or understanding what behaviours employers are looking for... Young HPC has an online toolbox to help.

For more information or to sign up to the free Young HPC Programme please visit our [website](#).

## Consultation on non-material change

Our application for a non-material change to the Hinkley Point C Development Consent Order seeks approval for changes to the layout of some smaller buildings on the Hinkley Point C site.

The changes to the layout are as a result of reviewing learning from our other power stations, incorporating evolving safety practice and security measures and improving the design of the buildings.

Consultation will run from 28 July to 4 September (inclusive) and comments on the application should be sent directly to the Planning Inspectorate.

For more information, please visit our [website](#).

## Site Map

Match the locations in the table on the right hand side to the map.

