STOGURSEY NEWS



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January 2025

Deadline for **FEBRUARY 2025** contributions: 10.00am Wednesday 15th January 2025

EDITORIAL

We hope that everyone has had an enjoyable and peaceful festive period.

Let's welcome 2025 and kick-off with the annual Wassail celebration on Saturday 4th to ward against the spirts in the orchards and allow a productive cider year, cheers!

The dark and cold days bring little warm comfort, but as the days slowly get longer you can catch up with various articles in this month's edition.

January is also an opportunity to top up your heating oil to keep you warm and cosy throughout the winter months so, do not forget to place your order at a better price.

So, warm your soul and celebrate Burns Night on the Saturday 25th in the Jubilee Rooms with typical fare and maybe a poem or two.

There was a major update at the Hinkley Point C site when the Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) was installed in Reactor Unit 1. This milestone is the next step to sustain the UK's electricity for at least 30 years.

We wish all our readers a happy and prosperous New Year for 2025!

The Stogursey News 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

Stogursey News is posted every month on the website - useful if the delivery of your paper copy is delayed.

Stogursey News

This is an independent voluntary initiative. It is printed free of charge as a contribution to the community by Hinkley Point B (EdF).

The News offers an extra page monthly for the use of Hinkley Point C (EdF) to keep local residents well-informed.

How to contribute to Stogursey News:

by email:

- * Prepare your contribution as a 'word' document, (not as a pdf).
- * Attach it to an email.
- * Send it to: stogurseyparishnews@gmail.com

A few points to remember:

- Submit your contribution by the deadline date.
- Please keep within the 500-word limit.
- Please provide your contact details so that we can get in touch if we need to.
- Stogursey News Team reserves the right to edit contributions for length and for space available.
- Your contribution will be published in our standardised font style, size and colour. (We do not print colour posters).
- Send your contribution for each and every month you would like it published.
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Regular E	Events		
Monday	*60+ Rehabilitation Fitness Class (weekly) *Spinal Mobility, Balance & Strength Class (weekly) Health Walks - Level One (weekly) Contact: https://www.sasp.co.uk/sedgemoor	Victory Hall Victory Hall Steart Marshes Car Park	9.30am - 10.40am 11.00am - 12 noon 2.00pm
Tuesday	*Core Stability - Pilates-based (weekly) Tai Chi Shibashi for over-50s (weekly) (Contact AgeUK 01823 345 624) Stogursey Lunches (weekly) Bingo (weekly) Parish Council Meeting (second Tuesday of month) Meditation (first & third Tuesday of month) Short Mat Bowls (weekly) Contact: Ron 01278 732688 Quantock Tennis Club (first Tuesday of month)	Victory Hall Victory Hall Jubilee Rooms St Audries Centre Victory Hall St Andrew's Church, Lilstock Victory Hall Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	9.00am - 10.00am 10.30am Doors Open 12 noon Eyes Down 2.00pm 7.00pm 7.15pm 7.30pm - 9.00pm 6.00pm - 10.00pm
Wednesday	Forget-Me-Not Café (alternate Wednesdays) Ukulele Sessions (alternate Wednesdays) Sea Shanty Singers (alternate Wednesdays)	Jubilee Rooms Greyhound Inn Greyhound Inn	10.30am - 12 noon 7.30pm - 9.30pm 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Thursday	Health Walks - Level Two (weekly) Contact - https://www.sasp.co.uk/health-walks Mobile Library visit (once every four weeks) Youth Club (weekly) Stogursey Arts Photographic Society- SAPS (second Thursday of month) Film Night (monthly)	Steart Marshes Car Park Shurton & Stogursey Youth Club Jubilee Rooms Jubilee Rooms	as per schedule 6.30pm - 8.30pm 7.00pm doors open 7.00pm
Friday	Friday Social Café (weekly) Quantock Tennis Club (weekly) Contact John Nicholson 01278 732711 or jfjnicholson@talktalk.net	Jubilee Rooms Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.00am - 12 noon 10.00am - 12 noon
Saturday			
Sunday	Quantock Tennis Club (weekly)	Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.00am - 12 noon

^{*} Contact siancocks@btinternet.com / 01278 652411

JANUARY	2025		
Saturday 4	Wassail (details within) postponed until 11th		
Thursday 9	Mobile Library visit	as per schedule	as per schedule
Saturday 11	Wassail (details within)	Shurton Mill Orchard	1.30pm
Wednesday 15	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
Wednesday 15	Strummers of Stogursey- Ukululele session	Greyhound Inn	7.30pm - 9.30pm
Thursday 16	Film Night: "The Critic"	Jubilee Rooms	Doors open 7.00pm
Saturday 25	Burns Night	Jubilee Rooms	Arrive 7.00pm
Wednesday 29	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
Wednesday 29	Strummers of Stogursey- Ukululele session	Greyhound Inn	7.30pm - 9.30pm
FEBRUARY			
Thursday 6	Mobile Library visit	as per schedule	as per schedule
Friday 7	Mother & Toddler Group	Victory Hall	9.30am - 11.30am
Wednesday 12	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
Wednesday 12	Strummers of Stogursey- Ukululele session	Greyhound Inn	7.30pm - 9.30pm

JANUARY SUNDAY SERVICE ROTA for Quantock Gate Parishes

CHURCH	5 th January	12 th January	19 th January	26 th January
Cannington St Mary	8.00 & 9.30am Holy Communion	8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Family Service	8.00 & 9.30am Holy Communion	8.00 & 9.30am Holy Communion
Combwich St Peter	11.15am Family Service	6.00pm Prayer & Praise	11.15am Holy Communion	
Fiddington St Martin	9.00am Holy Communion	9.00am Holy Communion	9.00am Family Service	9.00am Holy Communion
Stockland St Mary Madalene		11.15am Family Service		11.15am Holy Communion
Stogursey St Andrew	10.30am Holy Communion	10.30am Holy Communion	10.30am Rise and Shine All Age Worship	10.30am Holy Communion
	Gold/White	Gold/White	Gold/White	Gold/White

Regular Weekday Services

Tuesdays 6.00pm Holy Communion Cannington, St Mary the Virgin Church

Thursdays 9.00am Prayer Meeting Combwich, St Peter's Church

Fridays 9.00am Holy Communion Cannington, St Mary the Virgin Church

Babes and Tots Play Group

Tuesdays (termtime) 9.00-11.30am Cannington Village Hall

Coffee Mornings

Thursdays 10.00am Cannington Church

Fridays 10.30am Jubilee Rooms, Stogursey

Bellringing

Tuesdays 7.30pm Cannington Church

Wednesdays 7.00pm Stogursey Church (1st Wed) / Fiddington Church (2nd-5th Wed)

Fridays 7.00pm Combwich Church (1st and 3rd Fri)

Do be in touch if you would like to marry in one of the churches, or to arrange a baptism, or if there is anything else we can help with.

Revd Alison Waters, Rector & Revd Jan Church, Associate Priest 01278 652953 / cannington.benefice@gmail.com

Dear Editors,

I am writing to compliment MS Tree Services; two local young tree surgeons, who came to our rescue following the recent storm.

Some heavy branches were blown off our ancient Ash tree, blocking the path. They came to assess the chaos, and returned within 48 hours complete with ropes and chain saws, and dealt with the problem so professionally, including cutting back the rotten part at the very top of the tree. We were just left with two piles of logs!

Thank you so much, Sam and Max, for your swift response!

Barbara Oates

Victory Hall News

Recycling

Do you know there is a recycling clothes bank at the village hall in aid of Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance? All clothes welcome . Please put all clothes in the bin and please do not leave any on the floor.

Thank you very much for your support.

Mother and Toddler Group

every Friday 9.30am - 11.30am
Play and Crafts every week,
Tea / coffee for parents,
First Friday of the month get your child's weight and
height measured, and also your red book filled out.
The first one of the new year will be

Friday February 7th 2025

£3.00 per family or donation

Can you help?

Would you be interested in joining a group to help with technology: mobile phones, iPads, laptops and computers. Please contact Heather Ranson 07968799312 or email heatherranson124@btinternet.com

Victory Hall Lottery Winners

November Draw 2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE!

The Strummers of Stogursey

wish everyone a Happy New Year and look forward to strumming again on **Wednesday 15th January**, 7.30 pm at the Greyhound. Perhaps one of your resolutions for 2025 is to learn to play the ukulele, and if so we are ready to welcome you to our friendly group, lend you a ukulele and help you play your first easy chord.

Please note there will not be a session on 1st January, New Year's Day.

STOGURSEY FORGET-ME-NOT CAFÉ

JUBILEE ROOMS, CASTLE STREET, STOGURSEY

Happy New Year!

Fortnightly on Wednesdays 10.30 - 12.00

NEW YEAR Café Dates:

Wednesday 15th January 2025 – NEW YEAR! Our 6th Birthday!

Wednesday 29th January Wednesday 12th February Wednesday 26th February

FORGET-ME-NOT CAFÉS provide support,

companionship and a warm welcome to those who are recognising issues with their memory, as well as their carers, family, and friends. There are a variety of activities, some involving existing local groups, such as music, singing, arts, crafts, poetry, bingo, quizzes, or if preferred, just a quiet chat over a coffee. We are a voluntary group, financed by donations and fundraising events.

The Café runs fortnightly, planned so that the café is open the alternate week to Watchet Forget-me-Not Café. Many friendships have been made over the years. Please come along and see what we do, you will receive a warm welcome.

FORGET-ME-NOT NEWS

It's our 6th birthday this month! We will be celebrating on January 15th.

VOLUNTEERS

We always need extra help at the Forget-me-Not Café, why not pop in one Wednesday and meet everyone, and see if you'd like to volunteer.

People from all the neighbouring villages are welcome.

For more information please contact:

Helen: 01278 733451 <u>cuttellhelen@gmail.com</u>

Rose: 07507 374234 rosechalk@icloud.com



Stogursey Oil-buying Group

The Stogursey Oil-buying Group's next order will be in **January**. 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 a better price than that quoted for individual orders. The next order after this one will be in March. If you have any questions about the oil buying group I can be contacted on 0755 261 0692.

Chris Ford

To place an order please leave the form in the Post Office or telephone (01278 732191)
or email stogurseyford@gmail.com
by 10am Monday 13th January
with the following information:-

Stogursey Oil-buying Group - Order Form
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Amount of oil required litres NOTE: Please specify an amount and not an unknown quantity such as 'top up'.
Special instructions:
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Solution to Crossword No. 55

December 2024

ACROSS:

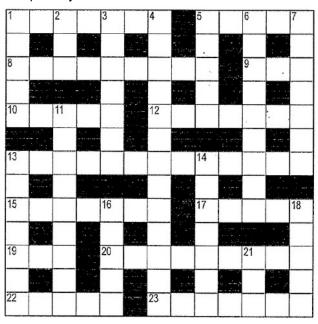
1.Drastic, 5.Lochs, 8.Actinidia, 9.TAU, 10.Noble, 12.Iceberg, 13.Christmas Tree, 15.Cobbler, 17.Aller, 19.DNA, 20.Mince Pies, 22.Sikas, 23.Elegant

DOWN:

1.Drain, 2.Ant, 3.Tandems, 4.Cadmium Orange, 5.Leave, 6.Cathedral, 7.Smuggle, 11.Barmbrack, 13.Cicadas, 14.Scalene, 16.Lambs, 18.Reset, 21.IPA

Crossword No.56

Compiled by Helen Cuttell



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Mass of greasy debris in a sewer (7)
- 5. Woven carpet or rug from the Middle East (5)
- 8. Active at night (9)
- 9. Modern (3)
- 10. A cooper's plane (5)
- 12. American punk rock band (7)
- 13. U.S Jazz pianist and composer (4,9)
- 15. Austrian physicist and astronomer (7)
- 17. Referring to the kidney (5)
- 19. Integrated Air Defence system (3)
- 20. City in the South Netherlands (9)
- 22. County in Eastern Ireland (5)
- 23. Heavy cotton waterproofed cloth (7)

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Small songbird with a stout bill adapted for crushing seeds (5)
- 2. Involuntary twitching of a muscle (3)
- 3. Two handled bowl for soup or porridge (7)
- 4. Dictator who ruled over Spain from 1939 to 1975 (7,6)
- 5. Arboreal Australian marsupial (5)
- 6. Sponge cake dipped in melted chocolate and grated coconut (9)
- 7. Cycle relay race for teams of two or more riders (7)
- 11. Free online encyclopaedia (9)
- 13. Anti-establishment art movement that developed in 1915 (7)
- 14. Small Arctic whale with a pointed spiral tusk (7)
- 16. Bloodsucking worm (5)
- 18. Cloth made of flax (5)
- 21. Southernmost village of Iceland (3)



As all the Christmas activities have now left us. and we are all experiencing cold, wet and windy conditions, why not come and join us in the Jubilee Rooms on

January 16th 2025 and

feast your eyes on a British master-piece thriller, "The Critic" with a spectacular cast including the Award nominee Ian McKellan.

Set in London, 1934, Jimmy Erskine (Ian McKellan) a powerful theatre critic lures a struggling actress (Gemma Anterton) into a blackmail scheme which results in somewhat deadly consequences.

All are very welcome. We also have a great array of refreshments available to purchase.

Doors open 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start, and tickets can be acquired from our local friendly Spar shop or on the door that night.

On a more personal note, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jean & Wayne for their invaluable assistance in helping run the cinema over these last couple of years.

A guick foot-note to confirm that Clare will be on her world-wide travels from February till April, so the next showing will be in May, unless there is anyone out there who wishes to take the reins covering that time.

See you there!

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Holford Gardeners' Group

present A Talk by Roy Cheek "Irresistible Plants for Butterflies"

Tuesday 21st January

7.30pm Holford Village Hall Raffle All Welcomed Members £1.00 Visitors £2.00



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"January is the quietest month in the garden. But just because it looks quiet doesn't mean that nothing is happening."

Rosalie Muller Wright



Stogursey C of E Primary and Pre-School



Headteacher: Mr G Tucker

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website: http://www.stogurseyprimaryschool.co.uk

This month's news from the school reflects how busy the pupils and staff were in the last few weeks in the lead-up to the Christmas break.

It has been wonderful to see the children preparing for our Nativity play at the church on Wednesday 18th December at 6pm. This year's is a little different as we wanted to include the pre-school children. Some of the songs are aimed at very young children but we do have some traditional carols mixed in as well.

Gary Tucker, Headteacher

Beacon

Beacon class have been showing off their knowledge and skills this week in the core subject areas and showing me how much they know in English and Maths. I have been so proud of their focus and resilience with the assessments, and with how much they know! A very happy teacher.

To lighten the load a bit, we have been immersed in the Battle of Watling Street with Boudicca's rebellion against the Roman army in AD61, and as a historian myself, have been blown away with the buy-in and enthusiasm for the subject. Some budding historians on my hands.

Mr Tucker donned his science lab coat and has been investigating soluble materials with Beacon class.

Lots of budding STEM* engineers too!



Alfoxton

We have been busy rehearsing all the songs for the school Nativity - we are very much looking forward to it.

In English, we finished our leaflets about water and began reading a wonderful book called 'The Rhythm of the Rain' by Grahame Baker-Smith. It made us think about how water is used over and over again as we followed the journey of a pool of water, transitioning through evaporation and condensation, falling as precipitation... over and over! It travelled the world until it finally returned to the pool of water it had started.

Also, we are going to try to squeeze in writing a short story (about Christmas of course), before we break up for the Christmas holidays!

Last week was so exciting as our last Maths lesson of the week was taken over by an unexpected, but VERY welcome visitor - Mel, the Hermann tortoise! She belongs to Miss Millar, who kindly popped her into class to say hello! We all enjoyed cuddling her (as much as one can cuddle a tortoise), and learning about her diet and lifestyle. Take a look at our lovely photos of Mel as she joined us for Maths (we were, and are, learning about measuring in centimetres, metres and millimetres).





*STEM: Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

Triscombe

This half term, we have been learning about Antarctica and the animals that live there. We have enjoyed playing with the Antarctic small world. In Science we classified animals, first into invertebrates, animals with no back bone; and vertebrates, animals with a back bone. We then classified vertebrates into mammals, amphibians, reptiles, fish, birds; and invertebrates into the insects classification. We were lucky to have a visit from a very friendly reptile called 'Mel' (Ashley's pet tortoise) and had a chance to touch his dry scaly skin and his hard shell.

Triscombe Class have been continuing to read the book 'Lost and Found'. The children enjoyed taking part in some hotseating, pretending to be the boy in the story. The other children then had to ask questions to the boy about how he found a penguin.





Preschool

This week we have been learning about the Arctic and the different animals which live there. We have had two different tough trays to investigate, with two different textures of snow to explore.

The first tray was full of different artic animals, and our second tray was a maths activity where the children had to help the penguins find their homes by matching the numbered penguins to their corresponding numbered igloos.

We have matched baby animals to their larger mothers, and role played with Arctic animal masks. We have read 'Swim polar bear, swim', 'Egg to penguin' and 'What on earth? Life in the Tundra' to find out more about life in the Artic, and we have practised our pen control by marking a route from the penguin to his igloo and the polar bear to his glacier.









DOG MESS

We would like to kindly request that all local dog owners pick up their dog's mess outside and opposite the school.

On a few occasions, children have stood in it and brought it into the school. Not only is this unpleasant, it is also a danger to health.

Thank you for your understanding.



Wassail

This is the chance to celebrate midwinter, and to encourage our orchards to be productive, so that we may enjoy the fruits - and the cider!

"Yet is there not any drink known to us generally palatable as cider: for you may make it sute almost with any humorous drinker: it may be made luscious by an addition of a quantity of sweet apples in the first operation, pleasant being made with *Pippins* or *Gennet-Moyles* only: racy, poignant, oyly, spicy with the *Redstreaks* and other sorts of fruits, even as the Operator pleases. And it satisfies thirst, if not too stale, more than any other usual drink whatsoever."

John Worlidge, Treatise on Cider 1678

11 January*

Come and celebrate with us on **Saturday 4 January 2025**We shall be meeting at the **Babbling Brook in Shurton at 1.00pm.** The procession, led by 'The Big Noise' street band will set off at 1.30pm.

At Shurton Mill Orchard** we shall dance, sing, toast the trees, crown the Wassail Queen and warm ourselves by the bonfire. Bring something to make a noise (and some cash!)

Refreshments, including mulled cider and apple juice will be available. To help save the planet, please bring your own drinking vessels.

- * amended date
- **There is no parking at Shurton Mill, but parking at the pub is available until 6pm

Don't miss the opportunity to join our

Burns Night Celebration

Saturday 25th January Jubilee Rooms, Stogursey

7.00pm Arrival - 7.30pm sit down

"Some hae meat and cannot eat. Some cannot eat that want it: But we hae meat and we can eat, Sae let the Lord be thankit."

✓ Three-course meal* - plus extras!✓ Dancing to live music

£18.50

Tickets are limited, and available only in advance from: at elenorkate2@gmail.com

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* Vegetarian haggis will be available, but please ask for this when booking your ticket.

Points from the Parish Council Meeting 10th December 2024

Riparian Owners Responsibilities

Concerns were raised that some watercourses across the parish are not being maintained to a suitable standard, due to many areas being overgrown, or with overhanging trees/shrubs, which may affect the efficiency of the watercourse. If you are unsure of your responsibilities, please check the guide on the parish website – www.stogursey-online.uk/guidance-for-riparian-owners

Hinkley Point Power Stations

The Council had raised the lack of maintenance and signage of the Operation Harold route (Hinkley Point emergency evacuation route) and transport officers would be looking into the matter.

The Parish Council has yet to be consulted on the proposed uplift (increase) of workers at Hinkley Point C that was due to finish this month.

Grants

The Parish Council agreed to award Citizens Advice West Somerset a grant of £1,050 to help fund their valuable service. Citizens Advice having helped over 20 residents of the parish in the last year.

They also awarded a grant of £3,000 to Stogursey Youth Club to help maintain the village's youth provision.

County Highways

At a recent Local Communities Network meeting regarding highways, it was explained that due to the financial situation of Somerset Council, there would be significant cuts to the staffing of their Highways Team. As a result they would now only be doing what they were statutorily required to do. So, where in the past they may have cleared ditches and gullies and other jobs for parishes, they would no longer be doing so in the future.

Budget

The Parish Council has set its annual budget for the financial year 2025-2026 at £41,600 an increase of £3,075 over the previous year.

Date of Next Meeting

The Parish Council is due to meet on the evening of **Tuesday 14th January**, which will commence at 19:00 in the Victory Hall. All are welcome to attend.

You can contact the Parish Clerk by email at: clerk@stogurseyparishcouncil.org.uk



Stogursey Lunches MENUS

Tuesday 7 January 2025

No lunches today

Tuesday 14 January 2025

(book by Fri 10 Jan - phone 01278 733451)

Beef casserole OR Vegetarian cottage pie both with vegetables

Cherry bakewell tart

Tuesday 21 January 2025

(book by Fri 17 Jan - phone 01278 733451)

Salmon fishcakes with leek & cauliflower cheese, OR
Vegetable pasta bake with winter coleslaw

Caramel apple pudding with icecream

Tuesday 28 January 2025

(book by Fri 24 Jan - phone 01278 733451)

Beef cobbler pie, OR Bean cobbler pie both with vegetables

Winter berry meringue crush

Tuesday 4 February 2025

No lunches today



Stogursey Community Network (SCN) JANUARY 2025 - Happy New Year!

The SCN is a group of volunteers who offer a wide range of services to our community.

Contact us: stogurseycommunitynetork@gmail.com, or Tel: 01278 732149

But to book Medical Transport or Stogursey Lunches, please use the numbers given below.

STOGURSEY LUNCHES - Tel: 01278 733451

Come along and enjoy our wonderful, Level 5 Food
Hygiene-certified, 2-course meals, cooked and served in the
Jubilee Rooms, Stogursey on Tuesdays (except the first
Tuesday of the month). Everyone is welcome to enjoy our lunches!
A vegetarian option is always available, and we can cater for special
diets / preferences on request when booking.

Payment is by anonymous cash donation.

<u>Please pay what you can afford and help us cover our costs.</u>

Advance booking please (in order to avoid waste and cater to your needs) phone 01278 733451 by 5pm on the preceding Friday. See our Menus on this page, on the bus-stop noticeboard, and outside the Jubilee Rooms.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT - Tel: 07485 350560

For residents in the Stogursey parish, our DBS-checked volunteer drivers can take you to a medical appointment, including doctor, dentist, optician, physiotherapy etc, if you are unable to get there any other way. Payment by cash donation.

Please note, we are all volunteers and sometimes we may not be able to fulfil your request, although we always do our very best.

We do require 48 hrs notice for all requests please.

Medical Transport - phone 07485 350560 (please leave a clear message)

PRESCRIPTION DELIVERY

In addition, SCN volunteers collect prescriptions from the two local Health Centres and deliver these to the **SPAR/POST OFFICE** for collection. If your Surgery has designated you a housebound or home delivery patient, we will deliver to you at home. (Please note: This is only for those patients who are unable to collect from the Surgery or from the SPAR/PO.)

Food Bank / Pantry Donations and Deliveries

The SCN is an official outpost of the Quantock Food Bank and Pantry. We are always grateful for donations to the Foodbank collection box in the Spar/Post Office. If you, or someone you know, needs food assistance please contact us or the **Village Agent** (for a Foodbank referral) and/or **Home Start** (for families with young children). Phone numbers on the 'Contacts and Parish Information' page in this magazine. The Mobile Pantry now comes weekly (Tuesday afternoons) to our village for Pantry clients.

Project Update

A round up of the latest news from Hinkley Point C January 2025



2 significant milestone achieved for the end of year

The Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) - the heart of our power station - was positioned at the bottom of the Reactor Pit in Unit 1. This followed a complex operation that capped off months of planning and preparation works. The moment marks an important step in delivering the UK's first new nuclear power station in over 30 years.





The Reactor Cavity Pool (RCP) was lifted into the Unit 2 Reactor Building, following months of assembly work, welding and concrete pours inside the West Pool Bunker.

Meet the Hinkley Point C Transport Team

Responsible for safely managing the transport of Hinkley Point C's most important components, this team is a specialised group of G4S personnel granted powers under the Police Reform Act 2002. It allows them to direct traffic specifically for the purpose of escorting large, often oversized equipment. This team of eight people is highly trained, with all members undergoing extensive theory and practical training with police officers.

"Each move is meticulously planned, following all regulations with minimal impact on the local community as our top priority"



Stogursey Update

A round up of the latest news from Hinkley Point C January 2025



The year 2024 in pictures



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Contacts and Parish Information

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Clerk: Steven Taylor:

clerk@stogurseyparishcouncil.org.uk

<u>Meetings</u>: held monthly in the Victory Hall, Stogursey 7.15 - 7.30pm Public Forum for parishioners to ask questions;

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Somerset Council: Watchet & Stogursey Division Councillors: Hugh Davies, Rosemary Woods

Site Stakeholders Group Representatives:

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Parish Neighbourhood Welcome Pack

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