

STOGURSEY NEWS



View across the Glebe land

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September 2019

Deadline for **OCTOBER** contributions: **10.00 am Saturday 14th September**

Editorial

Welcome to our September edition, as ever, full of news and things to do. Good job we can now find our way around thanks to our re-conditioned finger posts!

The Glebe Field planning application, a topical issue at the moment, is illustrated on our front cover this month. This year's Arts Festival or 'Protestival' is taking up the theme and supporting those who are voicing objections to the various new housing estates currently proposed for the village. You may well want to go along to the next Parish Council meeting (Wednesday 11th September in the Youth Club) to hear about the Stogursey Neighbourhood Development Plan, where you will also have a chance to express your feelings about future possible housing developments in the village.

It is good to read of the progress with the new Victory Hall and we are sure that many more fun community events will take place in the new surroundings.

School news is positive: congratulations to the school for achieving Academy status and joining the Quantock Education Trust, and well done to Freya – new Head Girl at Haygrove School!

You might consider supporting our village school as a governor. In fact, there are several other interesting and worthwhile volunteering roles advertised in these pages if you have some spare time.

Our village is quite a rare treasure, large enough to be a broad and caring community and small enough to be personal where we all know most of the people we meet. Long may this continue.

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

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:

a) by email:

- * Prepare your contribution as a 'word' document.
- * Attach it to an email.
- * Send it to stogurseynews@hotmail.co.uk

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.*)
- Send your contribution each and every month you would like it published.
- Your illustrations must be copyright free.
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We look forward to receiving your contributions.

Thank you

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Regular Events

Monday	Stogursey Surgery (Quantock Health Centre) Health Walking Group Short Mat Bowls	St Audries Centre Steart Marshes car park Victory Hall	from 11.00 am 2.00pm 7.30 - 9.30 pm
Tuesday	Tai Chi Health Walking Group Bingo Afternoon Parish Council Meeting (2 nd Tuesdays) Poetry Reading (monthly - ring Phil 733377) Quantock Musical Theatre Company	Victory Hall Quantock Medical Centre St Audries Centre Victory Hall Church Rooms Youth Club	10.30 am - 11.30 am 11.00 am 2.00 pm 7.15 pm 7.30 pm 7.30 pm
Wednesday	Singing Group (Nether Stowey) Community Employment Advice Hub (fortnightly) Forget-Me-Not Café (fortnightly) Movement to Music (Age Concern) Stogursey Craft Club (1 st Weds) Contact Cathy 734707 Tennis Club Stogursey Craft Club (3 rd Wednesdays) Women's Institute Meeting (2 nd Wednesdays)	Stable Loft Church Centre Greyhound Inn Church Rooms Victory Hall Church Rooms Multi-sport Court, V Hall Church Rooms St Audries Centre	10.00 am 9.30 am - 12.00 noon 10.30 am - 12 noon 11.30 am - 12.30 pm 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm 6.30 pm 7.00 - 9.00 pm 7.30 pm
Thursday	Stogursey Surgery (Cannington Health Centre) Bingo Evening Apple Blossom Sangha (contact Ralph 732690)	Church Rooms Victory Hall Shurton	from 3.00 pm 7.30 - 9.30 pm 7.30 pm
Friday	Stogursey Surgery (Quantock Health Centre) Coffee Shop EdF Monthly Drop-In Messi Club (1 st Fridays) St Andrew's Church Junior Youth Club (contact Nicky Morgan) Line Dancing	St Audries Centre Church Rooms see details below Church Rooms Church Rooms Victory Hall	from 11.00 am 10.00 am - 12 noon venue specific 4.15 - 6.00 pm 6.00 - 7.30 pm 7.30 - 9.30 pm
Saturday Sunday	Football - Men (for details contact Steve Dixon Football - Boys. 01278 733850)	September - April September - April	2.00 - 3.00 pm

DIARY 2019

September

2 nd Sept	'Protestival' meeting	Greyhound Inn	7.00 pm
4 th Sept	Forget-me-not Café	Church Rooms	10.30 am - 12 noon
4 th Sept	West Somerset Employment Hub	Greyhound Inn	9.30 am - 12 noon
5 th Sept	Abnormal Load Training (details within)	C182 Combwich - HPC	9.00 am - 4.30 pm
11 th Sept	Parish Council Meeting	Youth Club	6.30 pm
12 th Sept	Abnormal Load Training (details within)	C182 Combwich - HPC	9.00 am - 4.30 pm
18 th Sept	Forget-me-not Café	Church Rooms	10.30 am - 12 noon
18 th Sept	West Somerset Employment Hub	Greyhound Inn	9.30 am - 12 noon
21 st Sept	Safari Supper	meet Church Rooms	6.00 pm
26 th Sept	Soap Factory Cinema: 'The White Crow'	Church Rooms	doors open 7.00 pm
27 th Sept	Organ Concert	St Andrew's Church	evening
28 th Sept	Dew Barf Music Night	Holford Village Hall	Doors open 7.00 pm

October

1 st October	Macmillan Coffee Morning	St Audries Centre	from 10.00 am
2 nd October	Forget-me-not Café	Church Rooms	10.30 am - 12 noon
2 nd October	West Somerset Employment Hub	Greyhound Inn	9.30 am - 12 noon
16 th October	Forget-me-not Café	Church Rooms	10.30 am - 12 noon
16 th October	West Somerset Employment Hub	Greyhound Inn	9.30 am - 12 noon
24 th October	Soap Factory Cinema: 'Fisherman's Friends'	Church Rooms	Doors open 7.00 pm
30 th October	Forget-me-not Café	Church Rooms	10.30 am - 12 noon
30 th October	West Somerset Employment Hub	Greyhound Inn	9.30 am - 12 noon

SERVICES IN THE QUANTOCK COAST BENEFICE : SEPTEMBER 2019					
CHURCH	1 st September Trinity 11 Proper 17	8 th September Trinity 12 Proper 18	15 th September Trinity 13 Proper 19	22 nd September Trinity 14 Proper 20	29 th September St Michael and All Angels
EAST QH	9.30am Eucharist DB	Sunday @ 3 BJ/RJ	No Service	10.00am Benefice Eucharist	10.30am DEANERY SERVICE at Great Wood
FIDDINGTON	9.00am Eucharist AFT	9.00am Eucharist DB	9.00am Eucharist (BCP) TS or TBC	-	-
HOLFORD	2.00pm Baptism 6.30pm Evensong SC	9.30am Eucharist (BCP) TS	11.00am Mattins Church Warden		-
KILVE	11.00am Eucharist NM	11.00am Family Service SC	9.30am Eucharist DB	-	-
STOGURSEY	10.30am Morning Praise AFT	10.30am Family Eucharist NM	10.30am Eucharist TS or TBC	-	-
STRINGSTON	11.00am Family Service PC		11.00am Eucharist SC	-	-
WEST QH	9.30am Eucharist NM	9.30am Eucharist AFT	9.30am Family Service SC	3.00pm Baptism	4.00pm Harvest Festival Service
Liturgical colour & Readings	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN
1 st Reading	Proverbs 25: 6 – 7 or Ecclus 10: 12 - 18	Deut 30; 15 - end	Exodus 32: 7 - 14	Amos 8: 4 - 7	
2 nd Reading	Heb 13: 1 – 8, 15 - 16	Philemon: 1 - 21	1 Tim 1: 12 - 17	1 Tim 2: 1 - 7	
Gospel	Luke 14: 1, 7 - 14	Luke 14: 25 - 33	Luke 15: 1 - 10	Luke 16: 1 - 13	

MIDWEEK COMMUNIONS				
Date	Time	Venue	Presiding	Readings
Wed 11 th September	10.00am	Stogursey	AFT	As per Officiant

NM = Revd Nicky Morgan

AFT = Revd Andrew Tatham

SC = Revd Stephen Campbell

DB = Revd Dawn Brimson

TS = Revd Tony Smith

+GC = Right Revd George Cassidy

PC = Revd Preb Pam Cuff

VICTORY HALL UPDATE

A meeting was held on 7th August between all parties concerned with the construction of the new Victory Hall – this included members of the Victory Hall Committee, LED Architects, and Harris Bros & Collard. We were informed that the utility companies are scheduled to carry out their works in the next few weeks and it is anticipated that we will be handing over the site to the contractors on 9th September.

We hope to take possession of the new hall in the middle of summer 2020.

We have started clearing the hall, and expect to have this completed in the next couple of weeks.

During the build period, we hope to continue as many events and regular meetings as possible in the Youth Club building. Whilst this is not ideal, we trust that everyone using the Youth Club will help us to keep things going by making allowances whenever necessary.

Once the building has begun, we will keep the Stogursey News regularly updated with progress of the build, so that everyone in the village and surrounding areas knows how the work is developing.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

at St Audries Community Hall
on the 1st of October,
from 10 am.

Donations of cakes and biscuits will be very welcome.
Contact Jayne Smith on 01278732878.

FOR SALE

FOLDING WHEELCHAIR WITH MAG WHEELS
used only twice
£50 ono

MOBILITY SCOOTER
bought new last year for £465
will sell for £200
comes with charger and shopping basket

*Mr David Roast,
34 St Audries Close, Phone 733097*

VICTORY HALL LOTTERY

JULY 2019 DRAW

1 st Prize	£25.00	Sue Prosser	60
2 nd Prize	£15.00	Chris Ford	34
3 rd Prize	£10.00	Val Perham	122

Signposts

As I walk and drive around the parish, I have noticed horizontal white fingers poking out from the verges and hedges supported on a vertical pole capped by a pyramid hat. On the fingers there is black writing. Why had I not noticed them before? Who put them there?

Of course the finger posts have been there for years, installed by the Somerset County Council as required by the passing of The Motor Car Act in 1903. Over time the paint has weathered, and lack of regular maintenance has caused the signs to become rusty and to blend into the hedgerows. The County Council decided to save money by not refurbishing the fingerposts and asked for volunteers to do the necessary work.

Stogursey parish is fortunate to have residents who are prepared to undergo training and spend their free time to restore these simple yet iconic structures.

I would like to express my appreciation of their efforts.

Ian Elenor



THE MACULAR SOCIETY SUPPORT GROUP

will meet to celebrate its second anniversary on
September 26th at 2 pm at the Exmoor Medical Centre in
Dulverton.

It will be mainly a social gathering, but we shall have Judy Pride from the Macular Society with us to help celebrate, to answer any question you may have and to tell us the most recent news about the Society's work.

For lifts ring Marion and Royce early on 01398 371 450.

THE QUIET OF THE COUNTRYSIDE

(A night in Castle Street)

It started soon after daybreak when the jackdaws gathered to discuss (noisily) the forthcoming activities for the day. At around 6 o'clock they were joined by a patter of small hooves as about 20 calves galloped up the street accompanied by some unintelligible (probably just as well) shouting. The dog started barking. A few minutes later they galloped back. The dog continued barking – one yelp every 5 seconds to be exact. At 6.20 an alarm went off, a piercing bleep which obviously wasn't enough to wake the owner as it continued for about 10 minutes. When it was finally silenced, the starlings decided to practice their drill on the roof, accompanied by a variety of trills and squeaks and the odd squawk from a gull – acting Sergeant-Major perhaps? A couple of lorries went down the street, presumably making early deliveries to Fiddington. A brace of pigeons complained that, "my toe bleeds Betty," and the sparrows started squabbling round the bird feeder. At 7 o'clock 5 ponies and riders trotted briskly up the street and I decided I might as well get up!

Anne Sparkes

BIG NOISE STREET BAND

You may have heard us playing at Stogursey Festival events in previous years or for the annual Stogursey Wassail. You might even have heard us playing in one of our gigs throughout Somerset and Devon or on BBC Somerset a couple of weeks ago.

We are the **Big Noise Street Band**. We are a friendly crew of about 20 or so musicians and we practise in Taunton every other Monday throughout the year. Have a look at our facebook page that has a recently recorded video of 3 of our current tunes. By the time you read this we will have performed at the Watchet Live Music Festival – our first time at this great gig. We are looking forward to forging ahead with new ideas, including a possible visit to France to link up again with the great French band, 'Prise de Bec' with whom we performed in Exeter last year.

And – **fantastic news!** - we have just received a generous donation from the Fairfield Charitable Trust, that will make this and other ventures possible, for which we are immensely grateful.

If you are comfortable with your instrument, brass, reed, (particularly a bass instrument) or percussion, and would like to have a try at playing with us on a Monday evening, contact us through our facebook page or give Phil a ring on 07976 880625 for a chat.

Stogursey Forget-me-not Café

- ◆ **Wednesday 4th September** – Coffee and homemade cake.
- ◆ **Wednesday 18th September** – Coffee, games & homemade cake
- ◆ **Wednesday 2nd October** – Musical Bingo
- ◆ **Wednesday 16th October** - Singing
- ◆ **Wednesday 30th October** – Coffee and homemade cake



We've had a lovely summer!

In July we visited Yellow Door Cottage in Shurton. A big THANK YOU to Amanda Stanley who made us very welcome and showed us around her smallholding. The pigs were a favourite with everyone. We were all interested to hear about the running of a smallholding and all the hard work it involves, growing the beautiful produce and looking after all the animals. We enjoyed gorgeous homemade cakes made by Amanda and Sarah, and sat in the shade with our coffee. We're hoping to be invited back sometime soon.

In August Bob Page visited us and we enjoyed excerpts from Maureen Lipman's book; the theme was holidays and travel. Thank you very much Bob, and we hope you'll be back to see us again soon.



Stogursey Forget-Me-Not Café is held in the Church Rooms, Castle Street, every other Wednesday from 10.30 – 12.00

All are welcome. Thank you to all our helpers, more are always welcome. Pop in and say hello!

Contact:

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Rose: 01278 733395 - rosechalk@icloud.com

See our photos on INSTAGRAM



Stogursey Arts Trust

“There is strength in numbers, but organizing those numbers is one of the great challenges.”

John C. Mather

The Arts **‘Protestival’** 2019, will take place on the 24th to the 27th of October. We hope you will join us, as we need everyone to take part to add to the numbers who are protesting ‘Our Right to a View’.

With media interest increasing around the ‘Protestival’, come along and find out what you can do, say or add to the collective impact.

You are invited to attend a meeting on **Monday the 2nd of September** in the Greyhound Inn from 7pm, all welcome. Come and find out about progress with planning objections to the building of the proposed ‘housing estates’ in the village and see what is happening between the 24th and the 27th of October, regarding the ‘Protestival’.

This year the Festival events open on the evening of the 24th of October with a special, surprise film at the Soap Factory Cinema. The evening promises to be memorable, so get your tickets early. Details of when the tickets will be available will be posted on our website.

Ian Elenor and Phil Griggs still need more names to perform at the ‘open-mic night’, do contact them so they can include you in their planning.

There are only six weeks left to dig out your Christmas lights. We want more contributors to ‘Light up Stogursey’ this year and we are looking forward to record numbers taking part. See past contributions/ideas for ‘Lighting up Stogursey’ on the website and our Facebook site.

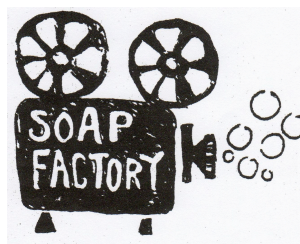
Don’t forget to book your tickets for the band *Dew Barf* at Holford Village Hall, on September 28th. Proceeds are to raise additional funds for festival events.

‘The Ark’ exhibition, featuring work from last year’s Arts Festival, opens at the Bridgwater Arts Centre on Thursday the 4th of October. It’s open for a full month, so plenty of time to plan in a visit.

For details of all our events look on our website: www.stogurseyartsfestival.co.uk where you will find our latest news and updates.

Key contacts: Tim Kaye on 734550 and Ian Elenor on 733052.

Hi cinema goers and . . . music fans!



Just want to remind you of our music night with *Dew Barf*, two guys who sing, play acoustic and electric guitars and will be setting your feet tapping with an eclectic mix of blues, jazz and rock on 28th

September in Holford. So enjoy a great night and make a date in your diary for **Saturday 28th September** at Holford Village Hall, TA5 1SD.

Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm-ish start. Refreshments available including wine and local ale. Tickets £6 available from 1st September at Stogursey Post Office, or £7 on the door. Look forward to seeing you there!

Now on to The Soap Factory Cinema update:-
Our menu for the next 4 months -

September 26th	<i>The White Crow</i>
October 24th	<i>Fisherman's Friends</i>
November 28th	<i>Rocket Man</i>
December 19th	<i>Yesterday</i>

We will give more details of the following months’ films in the forthcoming Stogursey News.

So folks, *The White Crow*, directed by and starring Ralph Fiennes, is the story of Rudolf Nureyev’s defection to the west. A young Rudolf Nureyev becomes a top ballet dancer in Russia, but a life-changing visit to Paris soon makes him seek asylum in France.

So, sit back and enjoy an evening at The Soap Factory Cinema, Church Rooms, Castle St, Stogursey on **Thursday 26th September**.

Doors open at 7pm film starts at 7.30pm. Refreshments available to purchase on arrival and at the interval. Tickets £6 available at Stogursey Post Office.

And not forgetting about the raffle with a chance to win tickets for the following month’s film. That’s all for now folks!

The Soap Factory Team

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES IN STOGURSEY

STOGURSEY STAGECOACH

Stogursey Stagecoach is a much needed voluntary scheme which provides transport for local residents to appointments, shopping, etc. The scheme operates Monday to Friday - 9am until 5pm.

Would you like to help your community?

We're looking for volunteers to become part of the Stagecoach Team.

Training is provided for both roles.

You don't need to be able to drive for these roles and you'll find it very rewarding

Co-ordinators:

- Do you enjoy talking to people?
- Do you have a few hours to spare during the week to help co-ordinate our drivers?
- You would be based at home using the Stagecoach phone.
- You would speak to clients on the phone and arrange drivers using email and phone.
- Our Co-ordinators take it in turns, so you are not co-ordinating all the time.

Secretary:

- Attend monthly afternoon meetings.
- Take minutes and type up.
- Distribute minutes via email.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT:

LINDA BROWN: 01278 734794
HELEN CUTTELL: 01278 734818

"There are too many politicians who believe, with a conviction based on experience, that you can fool all of the people all of the time."

Franklin P Adams

Stogursey Oil-buying Group

The Stogursey Oil Buying Group's next order will be in September. The scheme is open 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

Stogursey Oil-buying Group

Please fill in this form and hand it in at the Post Office (not in the Stogursey News box please!)

Name

Address

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Postcode

Email

(to allow future orders by email)

Tel:

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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**Deadline for leaving the form in the Post Office is
11 am on Tuesday 10th of September
for delivery during the ten day period beginning
15 September.**

NEWS FROM THE QUANTOCK MEDICAL CENTRE

There were a number of headline news items this summer that were relevant to our Practice.

On a positive note, we did extremely well with the National GP Patient Survey and came 152 out of 7109 practices across the country; so thank you to those patients who took part, and well done to the Practice Team for all their hard work and care, it hasn't gone unrecognised.

However, other HEADLINE NEWS highlighted the number of unnecessary deaths from asthma in England and Wales as being the highest in more than a decade.

Nearly five million people in England and Wales have asthma, a condition that affects the airways. It can cause breathlessness, wheezing, coughing and a tight chest. More than 12,700 people have died from asthma in England and Wales in the past 10 years. More than 1,400 adults and children died from asthma attacks in 2018 - that's 2.5 people out of every 100,000.

The Quantock Medical Centre offers patients with asthma an annual review and some patients are offered more frequent appointments if needed. **However, we have a bit of a problem: the biggest group of patients who fail to turn up for their appointments are our ASTHMA patients!**

Our nurses are fully qualified in the management of Asthma, and it is extremely important if you have been

given a diagnosis of asthma that you attend your annual review. Even if you feel well and think your asthma is under control you must attend, as medicine is continually changing and improving. The nurse can assess your symptoms, increase or reduce medication, give you a management plan and ensure your inhaler technique is good so you receive the correct dose of medicine when you inhale.

We often find that patients stop using their treatment (usually inhaled steroids which are vital if you have asthma) because they feel well. This can be harmful and in some cases has proved fatal. If you have asthma and have frequent episodes of shortness of breath, wheeze or require a reliever inhaler (usually a blue inhaler) more than twice a week this could indicate your asthma is not properly controlled and you are at risk of an acute attack. This can often happen very suddenly.

If we invite you in for an Asthma review it is in your best interests to attend.

If you are concerned about your symptoms at any time, please book an appointment as soon as you can.

We had over 15 hours of missed appointments in June and July when patients did not attend their annual reviews. This is a terrible waste of time and resources. Please think twice when booking your appointment that it is when you can attend, and that it is important to your health and the management of your condition.

Helen Stacey Practice Manager

CRUSE BEREAVEMENT CARE

Could you be a volunteer with Cruse Bereavement Care?

You will need to complete the Bereavement Support Foundation course. This excellent training will enable you to support bereaved people.

You will be required to pay for this training, but any subsequent training is free. There are bursaries available.

A new foundation course will be running soon.

If you are interested contact the Somerset Cruse Office on 01458 898211

Beware of white goods insurance scams

Insurance scams for white goods involve a fraudster cold calling a person claiming that their insurance for their white goods, such as washing machine or fridge, has expired and they need to renew it. The scammer then asks the victim for their bank details so they can make the payment.

To protect yourself:

- Remember – cold calls of this nature are a scam. Put the phone down straight away and don't give any personal or financial details.
- If you are worried that you need to renew your policy, find the paperwork from your genuine insurer and contact them.
- Shop around for insurance to find the best cover and price for you. Check the terms and conditions and always know what you are signing up for.
- Find trustworthy insurance providers through the Buy With Confidence scheme. Visit buywithconfidence.gov.uk or call 01392 383430.

If you are worried you have been scammed:

- Get advice from Citizens Advice on 03454 040506
- Report it to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040

This article has been written by Devon, Somerset and Torbay Trading Standards Service <https://www.devonsomersettradingstandards.gov.uk/>

Funding available to homeowners and landlords for home improvements

Somerset West and Taunton Council would like to make residents aware of funding that is available to make improvements to homes in our area.

Homeowners and landlords can apply for a loan to make improvements to their homes. Essential home repairs such as a replacement boiler, new windows and doors, roof repairs (including thatch), plumbing, heating or electrical works and even structural repairs are included under the scheme.

Everyone who is eligible for a loan with us receives the same interest rate, whether you borrow £1,000 or £15,000 and no matter what your circumstances or credit score. Eligible homeowners choose their own contractor and there are a variety of loan products available to suit individual needs.

The scheme is delivered through Wessex Resolutions, a not-for-profit lender that works in close partnership with the council. Established in 2003, Wessex Resolutions has helped many homeowners throughout the South West, lending almost £13.6 million.

A recent client said, "I had no idea the scheme existed until I contacted the council. When my adviser visited me and explained everything perfectly it was a huge burden lifted from me".

For more information, call Wessex Resolutions on 01823 461099, visit www.wessexresolutions.org.uk or email enquiries@wrcic.org.uk.

Typical Capital Repayment Loan Example (4% fixed interest rate, Typical 4.2% APR).

Borrow £5,000 over 60 months at £92.08 per month. Total amount repayable = £5,524.96 plus £20 Land Registry fee. No early repayment charges. Other loan products are available, and your adviser will discuss your options at a free, no-obligation appointment.

Missing payments could affect your credit rating and ability to obtain credit in the future. Loans are subject to status and are typically protected by a Title Restriction. This means that you may not be able to sell your home without our permission unless the loan is fully repaid.

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My name is Charlotte Percy and I am currently completing my third-year dissertation at Royal Holloway University of London.

For my dissertation research I am looking into the different views that the community surrounding Hinkley Point C has towards the construction of the nuclear power station and how these views have been managed and resolved by EDF and various other companies involved in the construction.

As part of my research I have developed a questionnaire in order for me to gain insight into what these conflicts are and your personal experience with Hinkley Point C and EDF energy.

If you have a spare 5 minutes, I would be very grateful if you could assist me in my research by filling out the questionnaire through the link or QR code -

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=DQSlkWdsW0yxEjajBLZtrQAAAAAAAAAAMAAN_YJHdVUMEdaWkxVRFdBTvNGVTBCQIVZQzNPOTZRTi4u



Thank you so much for your time, I really appreciate it.

Ed's note:
if you would like to complete this questionnaire, you can access the link via Stogursey News at stogurseyonline.com.

Points from the Parish Council Meeting – 14 August 2019

PRESENTATION

by **DAVID ECCLES** and **ANDREW GOODCHILD**

David Eccles and Andrew Goodchild from EDF Energy addressed the Parish Council to explain the increase in the optimum number of non-home based HPC workers living in the parish. There was a strategy set out in the original DCO of how non-home based workers would be accommodated. With regards to the private rented sector, in the 'Stogursey/HP cluster' (which includes Holford & Kilve), the capacity was assessed depending on the market at the time and availability of rental properties. As a result of this research the optimum number the whole cluster was set at 44. This legal agreement also stated that EDF would make a one-off payment of £5k per worker in excess of this number to the relevant local authority. In 2018, WSC therefore received a payment of £25k due to an increase of 5 workers above the optimum level. In their latest review of workers accommodation, EDF calculated that as there had been a substantial increase in available accommodation in the area, then they would raise the optimum number of workers to 70. However, the District Councils question the mechanisms used to calculate these changes, and are proposing to review this with EDF as soon as possible.

Parish Councillors and members of the public asked questions and made comments on several issues including the increase in optimum numbers which decreases the benefit to the parish, the low take up of campus rooms, the number of empty buses in the area, and that no thought has been given to the residents of Stogursey, the increased number of cars and the danger this brings. There are many issues that cannot be solved by a payment of £5k.

David Eccles explained that EDF are not in a position to dictate where their workers live, however, they will do their best to encourage their workers to use the campuses on HP site and in Bridgwater. They expect there to be more take up of campus accommodation when the numbers of workers increase (peak expected end 2021). They also agreed to revisit the parish at a separate meeting to discuss the issues residents are facing.

A full report on the session will be promulgated on the parish website Stogursey-online.

Dog Fouling

The issue of dog fouling has reared its ugly head again, this time at Shurton Ford. While strimming the area recently, the Lengthsman had to remove his waterproofs

before getting back into his van as they were covered in dog mess! Dog mess has also been seen on the ground next to the dog bin. This is clearly unacceptable, and we wish to remind dog owners to be responsible and clear up after their dogs. If this happens again then the Lengthsman will not be working in that area in future.

Merchant Navy Day – 3 September 2019

The Parish Council will recognise Merchant Navy Day by holding a flag hoisting event on Saturday 31 August 2019 at 3pm followed by tea and cakes in the Church Rooms. Please see separate article for full details.

The Parish Path Volunteer Scheme

The Parish Council are looking for members of the parish to volunteer to assist with keeping vegetation in the parish under control when out walking and ask that regular walkers "snip as they go". This will save (taxpayers') money on vegetation clearance. Somerset County Council run a scheme whereby members of the public who walk regularly can be provided with secateurs and gloves. If any member of the public is interested, please contact the Parish Clerk.

Riparian Owners responsibilities

Parishioners who are riparian owners are reminded of their responsibilities. If you are a riparian owner, your responsibilities include the maintenance of the bank and bed of your section of watercourse, in order to avoid any obstruction of flow in the watercourse. Under common law you are the riparian owner of any watercourse within or adjacent to the boundaries of your property. Where a watercourse is sited between two or more property boundaries each owner may be equally responsible. Further details can be found on the Somerset County Council website <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/owning-a-watercourse>. The following link provides information on reporting noxious weeds to Somerset County Council. <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/waste-planning-and-land/report-noxious-weeds/>

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2019

Demolition work on the Victory Hall is expected to have started, therefore the next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 11 September 2019 in the Youth Club. Parish Council meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month during the rebuild in the Youth Club unless otherwise notified. Please keep a look out on parish notice boards and the parish website for confirmation of the details.

I look forward to hearing from you on any issues you wish to discuss. My phone number is 01278 653824 or you can e-mail me at stogurseyccclerk@gmail.com

Gillian Orchard, Clerk to the Parish Council

Proposal for Stogursey Neighbourhood Plan or Development Plan

Ann Rhodes from Somerset West and Taunton will attend the next Parish Council meeting on **Wednesday 11 September 2019 at 6.30 pm** in the Youth Club to discuss the parish options and outline the basics for formulating a parish Neighbourhood plan or Development plan.

Neighbourhood planning is a way for communities to decide the future of the places where they live and work including choosing where they want new homes to be

built and having a say on what those new buildings should look like. Members of the public who may be interested in getting involved are welcome to come along.

Please note – this is an initial session to receive information about what is involved. A more detailed meeting to discuss the way ahead for Stogursey will follow.

**FLY THE
RED ENSIGN**
FOR MERCHANT NAVY DAY
3rd SEPTEMBER



Since 2000, Merchant Navy Day on 3rd September has honoured the brave men and women who kept our 'island nation' afloat during both World Wars, and celebrated our dependence on modern day merchant seafarers who are responsible for 95% of the UK's imports, including half the food we eat, plenty of the fuel we burn and virtually all the products and goods we take for granted!

The Merchant Navy of Great Britain has played a significant role in the British history. It suffered severe losses from German U-boat attacks during World War I and II. Around 32,000 merchant seafarers were killed during two wars, but along with the Royal Navy, the convoys successfully imported enough supplies to allow an Allied victory.

For the fifth year running, Seafarers UK is campaigning for the Red Ensign - the UK Merchant Navy's official flag - to be flown on 3rd September on civic buildings and landmark flagpoles across the UK. Parish, Community, Town, City, District and Borough Councils have been invited to take part, along with higher-tier local authorities and governments.

Stogursey Parish Council is hosting a local flag-hoisting event on **Saturday 31 August 2019 at 3pm** - the Red Ensign will be flown for a week. There will be tea/coffee and cakes in the Church Rooms on completion.

All residents are invited to attend - contributions will be donated to the Merchant Navy Fund.

STOGURSEY ALMSHOUSE VACANCY



There is a vacancy for a one-bedroom house in Lime Street, Stogursey.

Occupancy expected from the beginning of November 2019, and applications are now being taken.

For further information and/or an Application Form, please contact:

Mrs Pauline Kaye
Steward to the William Paulett Charity
30 Lime Street
Stogursey
TA5 1QR

Tel: 01278 734550
Email: pfkaye@yahoo.co.uk

Completed Application Forms to be submitted to Mrs Kaye by 5.00 pm Friday 13th September 2019.

Immy's Update

"As the new member of the HPC Community Relations team, I have been invited to provide a brief update for the Stogursey News. Progress at site is going really well, we are hitting our key milestones and construction continues at pace.

One area that I thought local people might be interested in is our bus service that helps to reduce the overall number of cars driving to site. We are constantly amending and refining our bus routes and, as result of a recent review, have been able to reduce the number of buses passing through Stogursey by 55%, as well as using smaller vehicles whenever possible. The bus that travels along the C182-Claylands Corner-Stogursey-Shurton loop now calls at a reduced number of stops that are safer for passengers. We will also keep reviewing the route, making sure it's updated as a result of factors like accommodation patterns and planning decisions.

Currently we are trialling vessels coming alongside the jetty, identifying the optimum point of the tide for berthing and unloading the aggregate, and will have the system fully operational by the end of September, which will remove over tens of thousands of HGVs from the roads over the duration of the construction phase of the project. We will also see large loads coming along the C182 more frequently from now on and we will endeavour to give notice of this whenever possible through the Parish Council and the village representatives who sit on the Main Site Forum.

I would like to thank you for your patience during times when traffic is affected by abnormal load deliveries and please do get in touch with hinkley-enquiries@nnb-edfenergy.com if you have questions on any subject related to HPC."

Notification of Abnormal Indivisible Load (AIL) training

To Whom it May Concern

We are writing to inform you that during the month of September, the Avon & Somerset Constabulary (A&SC) Roads Policing Team will be delivering training to the Hinkley Point C team, in order to support future AIL movements.

As part of the training, there will be two days of practical sessions, currently planned to take place on Thursday 5 and Thursday 12 September. The exercises will be run throughout the day from the exit point of the Combwich Wharf Private Access Road along the C-182 to the entry to HPC Site at South Plaza between period 9am to 4.30pm.

During these exercises, simulated convoys of up to 6 vehicles (1 HGV and 5 times 4x4) will travel under A&SC control along the C-182, with the convoys travelling at a reduced speed. We ask for your patience whilst we participate in these exercises and ask all road users to comply with the instructions issued by the Escort Vehicles.

Your understanding and patience in supporting this critical training is greatly appreciated. We would also be grateful if you could help share this message by putting a notification in your local newsletter or publication.

We will write to you again closer to the time to provide you with further details on the training. In the meantime, if you wish to find out further information on the project, please visit www.edfenergy.com/hpc or call us on 0333 009 7070.

Kind regards

Immy

Community Relations Executive Hinkley Point C

EDF Forums and Drop-in Sessions

Community Forum:	3 October,	6.00 pm, Cannington College
Main Site Forum:	16 October,	(Venue and time tbc)
Transport Forum:	21 November,	6.00pm, Wembdon Village Hall (tbc)
Drop-In:	13 December:	12 noon - 1.00 pm, Babbling Brook, Shurton

Contacts and Parish Information

Parish Councillors:

Chris Morgan (Chair) 01278 734887 or 07966-697460

cmorgan195@icloud.com

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.

West Somerset & Ward Councillors:

Chris Morgan 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

Burton & Knighton: Sue Goss 733405

Wick & Stolford: Susan E Jones 652287

Stogursey & Shurton: Chris Morgan 734887

EdF Main Site Neighbourhood Forum

Representatives for the Hamlets:

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Parish Council Member: Chris Ford

West Som District & Ward Councillor: Sue Goss

EdF Contacts:

see "Immy's Update"

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

Community Car Scheme

Stogursey Parish Stagecoach. 07908 239 609

Health Centres

Cannington 01278 652335

Quantock (Nether Stowey) 01278 732696

Out-of-hours (for both centres) 0845408800

Both Health Centres hold non-appointment surgeries in Stogursey every week. As surgeries sometimes have to be cancelled, it is advisable to phone and check. See diary page for details of days and times.

♥ Defibrillator

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

Mobile Library: Route H

The library visits on Thursdays - **every 4 weeks**

Shurton

Babbling Brook 12.20 pm - 12.50 pm

Stogursey

Greyhound Inn 1.30 pm - 2.00 pm

Town Close (No 30) 2.05 pm - 2.35 pm

Next Visiting Dates: AWAITING NEW LIBRARY VAN!

For more information, contact Libraries Direct by
Telephone 0300 123224, or
Email at 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

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.



Hinkley Point C Look ahead

September 2019



We continually monitor the light, noise and dust emissions from Hinkley Point C Site to ensure that our construction works have a minimal impact. 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	Saren's Crane	Construction of the SGC-250 crane is nearly complete, with the boom now in place. It will perform lifts on both unit 1 & 2, travelling on six kilometres of rail which will be laid on site, and is able to slew 360 degrees.
2	Unit 1	Tunnel Boring Machine, Mary, was the first to be launched into the adit. As with the deep dig, all materials excavated as part of the tunnelling works will remain on site.
3	Unit 2	Good progress is being made on the Pre-stressing Gallery walls and pre-cast roof slabs.
4	Jetty	Following successful preparation works, the Jetty is on track to start operating an increased shipment schedule from September.
	Combwich Wharf	Preparation works for the renovation of the wharf are continuing, with dredging activities due to take place in September.
	C182	As we get ready for an increase in abnormal loads being delivered via Combwich Wharf, traffic escort training will take place on 5 th and 12 th September on the C182. We thank you in advance for your patience over the two training days, which will have an impact on the traffic using the C182.
	Plugged in	Read the latest copy of Pluggedin, the Hinkley Point C magazine for the local community, here .

For more information:

Visit: www.edfenergy.com/hpc
E-mail us at: hinkley-enquiries@edf-energy.com
Call us on our 24/7 hotline: 0333 009 7070
Visit us at: EDF Energy Visitor Centre, Angel Place Shopping Centre, Bridgwater, TA6 3TQ – On every Thursday in August the Visitor Centre is running a **STEM Club** from 0930 to 1500, plus there are lots of extra activities taking place throughout the summer holidays. For more information please call 01278 429225.

Are you looking for a job at Hinkley Point C?
Visit www.edfenergy.com/hpcjobs and register for the latest opportunities.