

STOGURSEY NEWS



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October 2019

Stogursey Arts Festival programme inside

Deadline for **NOVEMBER** contributions:
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Editorial

The photos on the cover make clear why the Arts Festival has to be a bit different this year! However, there's still a lot going on, as you will see. A full page gives you all the details and days on which things are happening, from flower and artwork displays to music and Morris dancing (with a difference!) And it's great that, despite no Victory Hall and the usual big Saturday night concert, there is going to be an 'open mic' night' in the Church Rooms. This month's enjoyable film also has a musical theme based on the true story of a Cornish fishermen's choir.

The school term has clearly got off to an exciting start. It's good to see nine new Reception pupils settling in happily, and that, indeed, from the youngest to the oldest there's plenty of fun to be had while you're learning!

If you are concerned about how the village might develop in the future, you will find it informative to read the Parish Council page which explains what a Neighbourhood Development Plan is.

And if you fancy a long walk this autumn, the new 'Castles and Coast Way' looks definitely worth putting on your boots for!

We hope you enjoy this month's issue. With best wishes from us all on the team.

Editorial Team

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

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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 Poetry Reading (monthly - ring Phil 733377) Quantock Musical Theatre Company	Victory Hall Quantock Medical Centre St Audries Centre Church Rooms Youth Club	10.30 am - 11.30 am 11.00 am 2.00 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 Parish Council Meeting (2 nd Wednesdays during VH rebuild) 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 Youth Club 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 7.15 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 01278 733850) Football - Boys.	September - April September - April	2.00 - 3.00 pm

We are aware that the Victory Hall cannot be used at present. If your group still meets regularly, please let us know your new venue, and we will amend the details on this page. Thank you, Editorial Team

DIARY 2019

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
3 rd October	Yogalates	Church Rooms	9.30 - 10.30 am
9 th October	WI meeting "Tasting Session"	St Audries Centre	7.30 pm
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
16 th October	EDF: Main Site Forum	Stogursey School	6.00 pm
16 th October	Parish Council meeting	Youth Club	7.15 pm
19 th October	Table Top Sale	Church Rooms	10.00 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
3 rd & 23 rd - 27 th October Stogursey Arts Festival events		See programme inside for details of times and venues	

December

13 th Dec	EDF Drop-In	Babbling Brook, Shurton	12 noon - 1.00 pm
13 th Dec	Christmas Quiz	Church Rooms	7.00 pm

SERVICES IN THE QUANTOCK COAST BENEFICE : OCTOBER 2019

CHURCH	6 th October Proper 22 Trinity 16	13 th October Proper 23 Trinity 17	20 th October Proper 24 Trinity 18	27 th October Bible Sunday Last after Trinity
EAST QH	NO SERVICE	Sunday @ 3 Rachel Jarrett	8.00am Eucharist (BCP) AFT	-
FIDDINGTON	9.00am Eucharist AFT	4.00pm Harvest Festival AFT	9.00am Eucharist (BCP) SC	-
HOLFORD	Harvest 6.30pm Evensong SC	9.30am Eucharist (BCP) SC	11.00am Family Service Churchwardens	-
KILVE	11.00am Eucharist PC	11.00am Harvest Family Service AFT	9.30am Eucharist TS	10.00am Benefice Eucharist
STOGURSEY	10.30am Harvest Praise Sally Bult	10.30am Family Eucharist TS	10.30am Eucharist SC	-
STRINGSTON	11.00am Family Service AFT	4.00pm Stringston Harvest Festival Sally Bult and co	11.00am Eucharist AFT	-
WEST QH	9.30am Eucharist SC	9.30am Eucharist AFT	9.30am Family Service AFT	-
Liturgical colour & Readings	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN
1 st Reading	Habbakuk 1: 1 – 4, 2: 1 - 4	2 Kings 5: 1 – 3, 7 - 15	Genesis 32: 22 - 31	Jer 14: 7 –10, 19 - end
2 nd Reading	2 Tim 1: 1 - 14	2 Tim 2: 8 -15	2 Tim 3: 14 – 4: 5	2 Tim 4: 6 – 8, 16 -18
Gospel	Luke 17: 5 - 10	Luke 17: 11 - 19	Luke 18: 1 - 8	Luke 18: 9 - 14

MIDWEEK COMMUNIONS

Date	Time	Venue	Presiding	Readings
Wed 9 th October	10.00am	Stogursey	SC (TBC)	As per Officiant

NM = Revd Nicky Morgan
 AFT = Revd Andrew Tatham
 SC = Revd Stephen Campbell
 PC = Revd Preb Pam Cuff

DB = Revd Dawn Brimson
 TS = Revd Tony Smith
 +GC = Right Revd George Cassidy

*Revd Nicky Morgan
 can be contacted on
 01278 732873*

Macmillan Coffee Morning

at St Audries Community Hall
on the 1st of October
from 10.00 am.

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

YOGALATES

The Church Rooms in Stogursey will be holding classes for all ages and abilities every Thursday morning from 9.30 – 10.30 am, starting 3rd October 2019.

Yogalates is a gentle-paced class combining Yoga & Pilates which is mainly floor-based and helps improve core stability, muscle tone, strength, posture, balance and flexibility.

Classes are taught by a qualified and experienced instructor and cost £6 per session (£5.50 senior citizens).

For more information, or to be added to the list, please contact Cally on: 07387 287 860 / 651 214
Email: callystephens18@icloud.com

TABLE TOP SALE

In aid of St Margaret's Hospice
Saturday October 19th
From 10am – 12 noon
Church Rooms, Castle Street

There will be plenty of Tea & Cake available

SLIMMING CLUB IN STOGURSEY

I am toying with the idea of starting a Slimming Club in Stogursey. There are lots of "Big & Beautiful" people here who would like to be a little less big. Most of us know dieting inside out, having tried them all and maybe even joined several Slimming Clubs in the past. I believe that things should be simpler, ie: Weigh each week, With others, No lecture – just support.

If you are interested please call me on: 01278 733 835
I hope to hear from you soon.

Pamela Kelly

VICTORY HALL LOTTERY

AUGUST 2019 DRAW

1 st Prize	£25.00	Sylvia Nichols	75
2 nd Prize	£15.00	Brian Mitchell	192
3 rd Prize	£10.00	John Baker	3

Stogursey, Burton and district WI

September's meeting was a very calm, industrious evening.

Members shared their knitting and crochet skills with those who were less confident.

The evening resulted in several "Innocent Smoothie" hats being produced for charity, and squares that will be put together to make bed throws for the Dementia Unit at Musgrove.

The next meeting, on October 9th, will be a 'Tasting Session' where members will be able to compare taste and value of different drinks from a cut price supermarket and a more expensive store.

November's meeting should be very entertaining, as one of our newer members attempts to instruct us in the art of Belly Dancing.

Why not come along and join in the fun?

'CASTLES AND COAST WAY'



A new trail, the 'Castles and Coast Way' was launched last month.

The 13-mile circular walk links The Coleridge Way in Nether Stowey with Stogursey and the England Coast Path at Shurton.

At the launch, Lynne Abbott thanked Somerset County Council Rights of Way Team for designing the new route and EDF Energy for their funding contribution and said she hoped that the new trail would attract more walkers to the area and encourage walking generally in and around the Quantocks.

A lovely guide to the route, *Castles & Coast Way*, has been produced which contains maps, directions, photos, historical information as well as illustrations by local artists.

In her foreword to the guide, Sarah Littler says, "The Castles and Coast Way walking trail came about as a result of a request to me from members of Stogursey Parish Council to establish a promoted walking route in the area."

Merchant Navy Day – 3 September 2019

Merchant Navy Day has been celebrated since 2000 and for the first time, Stogursey parishioners recognised the contribution of the Merchant Navy and assembled to remember the sacrifices seafarers have made.

Residents gathered around the flag pole on the gravel on Saturday 31 August 2019, as the Red Ensign was raised and a message from the charity's president, HRH the Earl of Wessex, was read by Ian Elenor, whose father (Captain R W 'Bob' Elenor) spent all his working life in the Merchant Navy.

Tea and cake was provided in the Church Rooms and residents enjoyed a short presentation featuring merchant seaman past and present who were/are relatives of Stogursey residents. Cash donations were made and the money collected was forwarded to the Merchant Navy Fund.

The Red Ensign was flown for a week (31 Aug – 6 Sep 2019) to raise awareness of the UK's reliance on the Merchant Navy, and to support the nationwide call from the Seafarers' UK charity and the Merchant Navy Association for the UK Merchant Navy's official flag to be flown on public buildings and landmark flagstaffs.



Macular Society Support Group, Dulverton

Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 24th October, from 2 pm to approximately 3.30 pm at the Exmoor Medical Centre, Dulverton.

We are still hopeful, and awaiting confirmation from our local fire-fighters that they will send us a guest speaker to our October meeting, to give us advice and demonstrations how people with sight-impairment, particularly Macular Degeneration, can keep themselves safe from fire, flooding and other hazards.

All welcome!

For lifts ring Marion and Royce
on 01398 371 450



HELLO from STOGURSEY TWINNING ASSOCIATION

As autumn draws near it's heartening to look back on the range of Stogursey Twinning Association Summer events that have been enjoyed by so many of us in the area - members and non-members alike!

You may remember reading about the wonderful Barbeque at Fishers, Shurton in July which was followed by a delicious Cream Tea in August. In the end we opted to host the tea in the Church Rooms (foregoing the pleasure of another delightful garden at Stoke House) as the weather was looking decidedly pessimistic but we still enjoyed a convivial atmosphere, delicious homemade cakes, jams and scones (big thanks to all those kind and clever makers!) with gentle background music often drowned out by laughter and conversation. You may have seen our publicity stand at the Stogursey School summer fête with games and information. One lucky boules winner went home with a bottle of Prosecco!

Our annual Safari Supper will have taken place on September 21st and highly likely to have been thoroughly enjoyed by 40 local people travelling to each other's homes to enjoy three sumptuous courses. I'm determined to try not to over eat this year as it's such an uncomfortable feeling but also so difficult to resist just trying a bit of everything on offer.

Sorry I have to mention it now: our fun **CHRISTMAS QUIZ** is planned for Friday 13th December starting at 7.00pm in the Church Rooms. Anyone is welcome to participate and teams of up to 4 can enter just by contacting Karen 01278 732727 or email k.henson@btinternet.com. Tickets at £5.00 per person include cheese and biscuits and mince pies and the chance to win a Christmas hamper! Please bring your own liquid refreshment (glasses available).

Karen is always happy to provide more information about the Twinning. You need to be a member to go over to France with us, but other events are open to all comers.

Now let's get back to enjoying our beautiful autumnal colours!

NEW MOBILE LIBRARY VAN!

It was marvellous to see the new library van on its first visit to Shurton and Stogursey last month.

Dates of future visits are posted on the diary page, and on the 'Contacts and Parish Information' page.

Open Mike Night

Church Rooms
Friday 25 October
7.00 - 10.00 pm

No, this not a public surgical procedure. It should actually read "Open Mic Night"; a free event where performers get to use a microphone, if needed, in front of a live audience. It's a chance for them to showcase a couple of items.

The idea is for local musicians, poets, jugglers, raconteurs . . . to have a go.

Come along to perform or to watch and listen, enjoy a drink from the bar and share the experience.

Quantock Medical Centre
01278 732696



Flu Clinics 2019

BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT NOW

We will be holding Flu Clinic Appointments on the following days:

**Saturdays 8.45 am–1pm:
12th October & 19th October 2019**

**WHO CAN HAVE THE
SEASONAL FLU VACCINATION?**

- Patients who are aged 65 years and over
- Pregnant Women
- All 2 - 4 year olds
(children in Years 1 and 2 will be immunised at school)
- Carers
- Patients in Long Term Residential Care
- Patients with: Asthma, COPD, Diabetes, Heart Disease, Liver Disease, Kidney Problems, or have a weakened immune system.

Notes from your Village Agent

Time to enjoy the cosy dark evenings in front of the fire and enjoy the autumnal beauty and harvest festivals and other lovely Autumn get-togethers.

October brings the dark nights again and so it is a good time to think about security. Lights on in the house and curtains open at dusk allow people to see all your belongings, so do remember to close the curtains and lock the door.

Halloween night can be a stressful evening. You do not have to open your door to 'Trick or Treaters' if you do not want to. Do feel confident to lock your door and leave a note saying, perhaps, "We are unable to participate in Halloween, thank you for not disturbing us." Report any issues to your PCSO. You could also raise this at a Parish Council meeting so that a code of conduct can be arranged.

On another security conscious note, cyber security and scams are not going away. If someone on your email/phone list that you don't often hear from sends you a link to open, don't! Their account may have been compromised. These can have links to viruses and so must not be opened. Banks never ask for your account details. Always put the phone down and contact your bank independently, to report it.

You can contact a Citizen's Advice Scams Action adviser by calling 0300 330 3003 and call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or use their online reporting tool. Dial 101 and ask for support if you need it. Consider using a banking app or online banking so that you can see what is happening to your bank account at short notice.

To avoid multiple accounts being compromised, a top tip is to use a range of passwords for different accounts.

Try using password manager to support you with this and use <https://haveibeenpwned.com> to find out if your password has been compromised.

Sometimes calls are nuisance because they are cold-selling calls and you just don't want them. Consider using an answer phone which allows you to hear the person speaking the message so you can decide whether you want to pick up. You could invest in a call-screening system from your provider such as BT Call Guardian. Remember if you agree to buy something and change your mind, you have a 14-day cool off period to cancel any agreement. Generally it is best to ask for details in writing rather than agreeing directly on the phone.

Don't forget to see if you can apply for a warmer homes discount from your electricity or gas provider from 14th October if you are on a means tested benefit

Please phone me Izzy Silvester your village agent on 07931 018045, leave me your name and number and I will ring you back, or email me on izzy@somersetccc.org.uk . I do only work part-time so it may take a day or two for me to return your call. Thank you

Stogursey Arts Trust

**“For last year’s words belong to last year’s language
And next year’s words await another voice.”**

T S Eliot *Four Quartets*

So here we are at last, with last year’s ‘words’ from the Ark being shown throughout October at the Bridgwater Arts Centre, And this year’s words finding a new voice in ‘Our Right to a View’.

Arts Festival dates throughout October

Thursday the 3rd

6.30pm: A special viewing to open the **Ark Exhibition** at Bridgwater Arts Centre. *Free entry, all welcome.*

Wednesday the 23rd

Stogursey School will be working in St Andrews Church, adding their thoughts and views on our beautiful landscapes.

Thursday the 24th

From 6pm: **Stogursey Arts Festival Opens** with a preview of the School’s contribution to the exhibition in the Church. *Free entry.*

7pm: The **Soap Factory Cinema** presents a film from Cornwall about the community of ‘Fisherman’s Friends’. Cinema-goers will be able to preview the exhibitions in the Church Rooms.

Enjoy a beer and pasty before the film - for catering purposes please book your tickets *before Weds 23rd*. Tickets are £8 if you would like a beer and a pasty, or £6 for just the film.

‘**Light up Stogursey**’ trail begins tonight. Don’t forget to put up your lighting decorations and join in the fun. If you need help, Ollie King and Kerry Larman have kindly offered to coordinate this event for the Festival. Look out for more information on our website and local flyers. *Enjoy the Free trail experience every night till the 27th inc.*

Friday the 25th

10.30am till 4pm: Exhibitions will be open in the Church and Church Rooms. Come along, watch and/or join in the ‘**Protestival**’ to make your ‘Right to a View’ on the wall paintings in the Church and see the fantastic flower arrangements. *Free entry every day till the 27th inc.*

7 till 10pm: ‘**Open Mic**’ Night’ in the Church Rooms. If you want to take part, contact Ian Elenor or Phil Griggs. *Free entry and pay bar.*

Saturday the 26th

Come and see the ‘**Morris Travellers**’, Stogursey’s very own Morris (a) minor dance group, on the Gravel from 11.30am for about 20mins max or until someone gets hurt.

All welcome, a free event, but donations gratefully received.

10.30am till 4pm: The exhibitions will be open in the Church and Church Rooms.

In the Church see the fantastic flower arrangements, and also watch the artists at work and/or join in the ‘**Protestival**’ to make your ‘Right to a View’.

Refreshments are available all day today in the Church Rooms. Browse the walls and enjoy.

Free entry to exhibitions.

7 till 10pm: ‘**Music Night**’ in the Church Rooms. This event is still in planning; watch out for posters and information on the website. *Tickets for entry (prices TBC) and pay bar.*

Sunday the 27th

10.30am onwards: The exhibitions/interactions continue in the Church and Church Rooms

6pm: The Festival closes with a Celebration Service in the Church followed by a bring and share supper.

All welcome

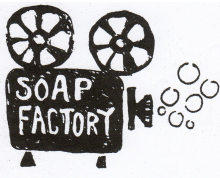
Look out for more information on the website (www.stogurseyartsfestival.co.uk), local posters and for reference.

Keep this edition of Stogursey News to hand, as it covers the programme of this year’s events.

Many events this year are free and we are saving energy and costs by economising on printing.

Key contacts: Tim Kaye on 734550, Ian Elenor on 733052, Phil Griggs 733377

Mike Bradshaw for Stogursey Arts



Hi cinema goers

We have just reached our first anniversary of the Soap Factory Cinema and would like to say a

BIG THANK YOU for your support over the last 12 months.

We have our own logo, installed a new sound system, bought some new chairs and have a licence to sell alcohol. Also, look out for our banner which will be displayed in the village leading up to the next film.

Our next film, which is being shown on Thursday 24th October to begin the start of the Stogursey Arts Festival, is ***Fisherman's Friends*** - a drama/comedy about ten fishermen from Cornwall who achieve a Top 10 hit after

they are signed to Universal Records by a cynical London music executive. A great start to the Arts Festival.

So come and join us at The Soap Factory Cinema, Church Rooms, Castle Street.

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 or on the door. And not forgetting about the raffle with a chance to win tickets for the following months film.

That's all for now folks! Look forward to seeing you there.

The Soap Factory Team

Points from the Parish Council Meeting – 11 September 2019

DISCUSSION WITH ANN RHODES (SWT) – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN / DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Ann Rhodes, the Planning Strategy Specialist from Somerset West and Taunton, attended the Parish Council meeting to discuss the options for formulating a parish Neighbourhood Plan or Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). She will provide updated briefing notes with links which can be circulated widely to interested personnel.

NDPs are community-led and when adopted can be used as planning policy, which are used by development planners when considering planning applications – the NDP has to be taken account of. A Parish Plan (which Stogursey already has) is advisory. NDPs have to sit within the national and district planning policy framework. NDP cannot stop development, but can shape development and highlight specifics about the parish. There is no limit on the range or type of policy, but they must be specific to the area, e.g. local affordable housing, local design, how the parish is to develop and be shaped. Specific policies can designate local green space which is locally accessible or which holds special meaning, and can be given the equivalent of greenbelt protection.

There are a number of legal stages. When the areas to be covered are decided, the steering group will collect objective evidence (statistics, historic) subjective information (what community feels are important). SWT will support and facilitate the wording of policies, will provide evidence, facilitate an independent examination and referendum. There are 2 government funding pots available for the community to apply for funding.

The process takes 2 years on average (depends on number of policies and complexity). It is not just about housing - policies can include, green space (helping to protect important areas and restrict development), infrastructure, type of employment in parish, type of recreation facilities, wildlife and ecology. The NDP can consist of a few policies initially, then be reviewed at a later date.

There is concern that there are issues in the district local plan, which sets a limit on the number for development for the parish, however planning applications appear to exceed these numbers. An NDP will not be in place to make a difference to current planning applications, but it can add a level of detail that shapes future development – it cannot stop development.

The plan, if taken forward will be formulated by a steering group made up of both residents and councillors. An

NDP has not been formulated before now as the Parish Council and residents were heavily involved with HPC for the last 9 years, and were overwhelmed with the amount of work, documentation and meetings required. There was not the manpower to complete it. SWT are not in the position to hold an NDP workshop, however Ann will ask CCS if they are still running workshops. Ann will be available to answer questions and can direct the group to others who will provide impartial, strategic advice, and share data and evidence during the process, once the Parish Council decides what they wish to include.

Councillors agreed to take this further and a more detailed meeting, with interested residents, to discuss the way ahead for Stogursey will follow later in the year

Parish Councillor Contact details

Residents are reminded that Parish Councillors are approachable and if any resident has any questions or issues they wish to raise and are unable to attend the monthly Parish Council meeting, they are able to telephone or email councillors whose contact details are in the Stogursey News and on the parish website Stogursey-online.

Defibrillators

South West Ambulance Service NHS Trust has visited the hamlets (Stolford and Shurton) to investigate locations to site a defibrillator. A grant has been received from Somerset Prepared as part funding. The clerk is seeking further funding. It is anticipated that the defibrillators will be fitted before the end of the year.

Castles and Coast Way Opening

The castles and coast way trail - an extension of the Coleridge Way trail, was officially opened on 29 Aug 2019 by David Fothergill (Leader of Somerset County Council). It was dedicated to Geoff Coles, a Parish Councillor who was sadly taken away from us last year. Geoff was involved at the inception of this project and was one of the residents who walked the route. It was a fitting tribute to recognise the time and effort Geoff dedicated to the parish.

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY 16 OCTOBER 2019

Demolition work on the Victory Hall has started. Parish Council meetings will continue to be in the Youth Club. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 16 October (3rd Wednesday). 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 stogurseyppccclerk@gmail.com

Gillian Orchard, Clerk to the Parish Council

Somerset Waste Partnership

September 2019

No change to permit scheme

If you have a free van or trailer permit for recycling sites with a 30 September expiry date, don't worry, there's no need to get a new permit as the scheme is rolling on unchanged. The only change is that new permits will be blue with no expiry date. Whatever its colour, your card is still valid – the only time you need to apply for a new permit and destroy your old card is if any of your details change, such as your address or vehicle.

Somerset's recycling sites have 1.6m visits a year and, following controls by all nearby councils, permits have cut congestion, crime and waste, maintained safety and efficiency, and helped Somerset's long-term fall in fly-tipping. [Click here for details or to apply.](#)

Check recycling site winter timetables

All [16 recycling sites](#) start new winter timetables on Tuesday 1 October 2019. When open weekdays, all sites will start at 9am and close at 5pm.

Saturday and Sunday hours at all 16 sites remain 9am-4pm all year round.

Summer hours - 9am-6pm when sites open weekdays - resume on Wednesday 1 April 2020.

Bridgwater, Saltlands: open daily except Weds;
Williton: open daily except Weds, Thurs, Fri

Bomb alert on waste safety

A suspected grenade – subsequently proved harmless – has prompted a reminder for people to check if items are hazardous before taking them to a recycling site.

Recycling sites don't accept explosives or ammunition, and petrol and diesel must be drained from machinery before recycling. Fuel in mowers and trimmers can start a fire, endangering lives and diverting firefighters from other blazes. Contact police about ammunition or explosives if you have questions, and take petrol and diesel to a garage. [Check here for hazardous waste advice.](#)

Get ready for Recycle More

The amount of Somerset plastic being recycled is rising fast, thanks to thousands of you taking millions of household and food plastic pots, tubs and trays to our 16 recycling sites. Don't forget, the Recycle More service of expanded weekly recycling collections – those plastic pots, tubs and trays, plus beverage cartons, household batteries and small electrical items – and three-weekly rubbish pick-ups starts rolling out across Somerset from mid-2020. To know more about plastics, check out our

new web resources, including [a great new Q&A on what happens to your plastics.](#)

It's in our hands: empty, rinse, squash

Recycling is "in our hands": empty, rinse, squash, sort and separate all suitable materials. More and more people are recycling, it is easy to join them. Share the colourful posts on our website and social media using hashtags [#recycleweek](#) and [#inourownhands](#).

Spot twin skips – ask staff for advice

As part of the 2020 switch from landfilling rubbish in Somerset to using almost all of it to generate power at a brand-new Resource Recovery Centre (RRC) plant in Avonmouth, all recycling sites have trial twin skips for unrecyclable waste. One is for materials that will soon go to the new RRC, the other for materials that must still be landfilled. Ask staff which skip to use.

NB: Staff may check your waste to ensure all recycling has been separated.

Free eco-education – here's how

Backed by Somerset Waste Partnership, the [successful Schools Against Waste campaign](#) led by Somerset eco-education specialists Carymoor Environmental Trust is starting a new term, and your child's school could get a free visit. Schools or groups tackling Key Stage I or II can request fun workshops on plastics or composting, and a "rubbish assembly". To apply, email education@carymoor.org.uk

Watch out for Your Somerset

The latest Your Somerset newspaper will hit your doormat in the next week or so, with a four-page pull out on all our services and the latest news about kerbside collections and recycling sites.

Latest media

Our latest communications include:

- [Holiday food giveaway advice.](#)
- [Our 70+ list of low-waste shops.](#)
- [One-bag fly-tip costs man £250.](#)
- [Repair cafes around Somerset.](#)

We'll now be focussing on waste reduction and safety, from tasty Halloween pumpkin recipes to preventing post-bonfire bin blazes.

Information on SWP services

For all advice and information, visit www.somersetwaste.gov.uk. Follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Sign-up to our e-zine on our [website](#). All partners' customer service helplines can assist with service enquiries.

Immy's Update

Last month I gave a brief update on the Jetty, so I wanted to focus on this a little more this month. Although you will have seen the temporary jetty in its constructed state for some months now, up until September it has not actually been fully operational. Having completed a full programme of training exercises over the past few months, the jetty will now push forward into its operational phase.

You might be wondering what the jetty will actually be used for? Its main purpose is to take delivery of the aggregates which will be used to produce concrete on site. Part of the concrete mix utilises recycled industrial materials, such as ground granulated blast furnace slag (GGBS) which is a by-product from steel manufacturing plants in South Wales. The majority of other aggregates come from local quarries, including Whatley Quarry near Frome. All helping to reduce the carbon footprint of the project.

The jetty totals 500m in length, making it the UK's ninth longest pier. Each delivery by ship will keep around 300 lorries off the local road network. Over the course of construction, that equates to roughly 100,000 lorries. I would like to thank you for your patience whilst we completed the Abnormal Indivisible Load (AIL) training on the C182 in September. This training was vitally important as we prepare to receive an increased number of large loads through Comwich Wharf.

Main Site Forum: 16th October, 6pm, Stogursey School

Drop-In: 13th December, 12 noon - 1pm, Babbling Brook, Shurton

Stogursey News Update – October 2019

Beware of rogue home insulation services

With winter looming, a favourite tactic of rogue traders is to target the homes of vulnerable people to try to sell home insulation. They may falsely claim they are part of an energy-saving scheme to look legitimate. Another trick is to over-exaggerate the amount that residents could save on their bills if they have the insulation in their home. In reality, the rogue traders may overcharge for a poor-quality or incomplete job, or take the money up front and vanish without doing any work.

The golden rules are:

- Never agree to work offered by cold callers.
- If an offer seems too good to be true, it probably is.
- If you're not sure, don't open the door.
- Use your door chain when opening the door to strangers.
- Properly check the identity of callers before opening the door.

To report a problem with a trader and get advice, call Citizens Advice on 03454 040506.

If you are interested in improving your home insulation:

- Ask friends or family for recommendations.
- Take time to get three quotes from reputable businesses you trust.
- Use a scheme or association to find reliable businesses. For example:
 - Find local, trustworthy businesses through the 'Buy With Confidence' scheme. All businesses in the scheme are vetted, approved and monitored by Trading Standards. Visit buywithconfidence.gov.uk or call 01392 383430.
- Decide who to use in your own time.
- Remember, if you agree to work in your home that will cost more than £42, you are legally entitled to a 14-day cooling-off period in which you can change your mind before the work starts. If you agree to the work starting within that time, you will be liable for any cost incurred by the business up until the point at which you cancel.

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

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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.

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

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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: 24 Oct, 21 Nov, 19 Dec

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

October 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	Sewage Treatment Plant	Commissioning works continue with clean water testing underway, the next step will be to undertake biological tests.
2	Jetty	The temporary jetty is now operational so you can expect to see an increased number of vessels in the channel. Each vessel that delivers to the the jetty will alleviate 300 lorries using the local road network. The majority of aggregates used in the concrete mix are quarried in Somerset. Find out more here .
3	Bunker 5	The first Liner Cup is due to be lifted into place using Big Carl (SGC-250 Crane) in October.
	Combwich Wharf	Further dredging works will take place in October at Combwich Wharf along with continued preparation works.
	Environment Team	The HPC Environment Team will be undertaking routine maintenance on the noise and dust monitors. The team are also working with Tier 1 contractor Kier Bam, the owner of the platform which sits closest to our immediate neighbours, to manage site lighting and prepare for winter working.
	Mud Management	We continually manage mud being taken off the site, and onto the public road network. A few of the ways we do this are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wheel wash facility at the South Plaza for HGV's• Mobile bus wheel wash• Wheel wash facility at individual platforms on site

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

Drop In: Friday 13th December at the Babbling Brook (1200 – 1300)

Are you looking for a job at Hinkley Point C?

Visit www.edfenergy.com/hpcjobs and register for the latest opportunities.