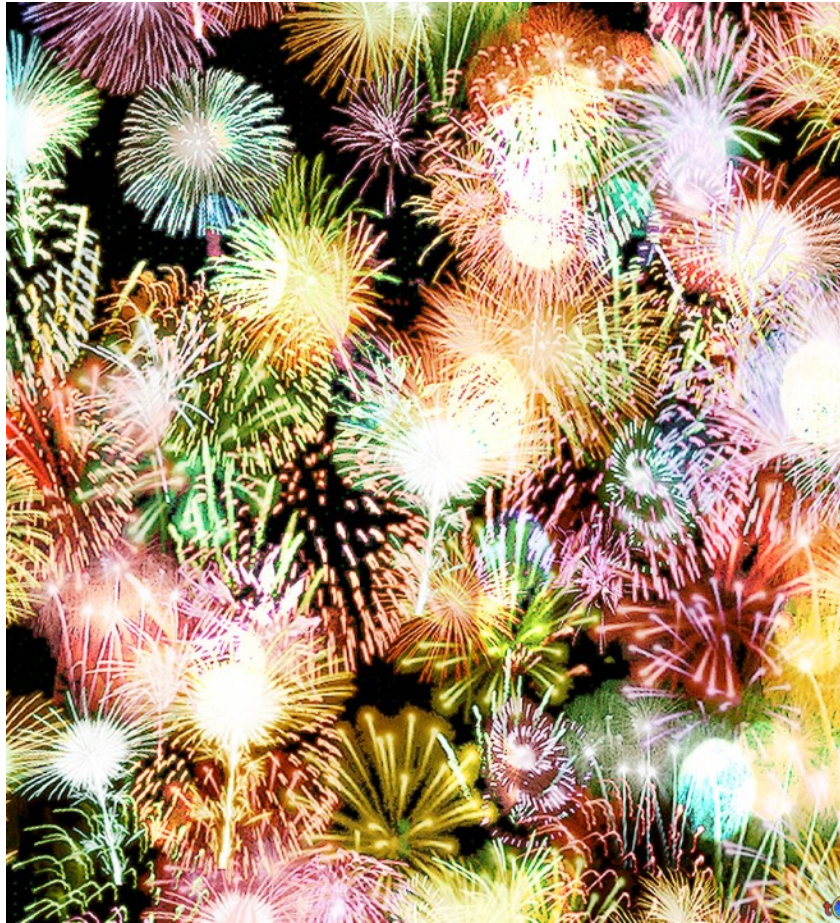


# STOGURSEY NEWS



## **Firework Spectacular**

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

**Stogursey School**

Gates Open 6.30pm; Fireworks Start at 7.30pm

Minimum Donation £2 per family

*Join us on the Gravel at 6.00pm as we light up the street  
in a procession before the Firework Display*

**Friends Of Stogursey School - FOSS**

## **November 2022**

Deadline for **DECEMBER 2022** contributions:  
**10.00 am Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

## Editorial

Welcome to the November edition of Stogursey News.

Although November can sometimes be a rather grey month, the brilliant colours of the leaves on the trees take away much of the dullness of this time of year.

The brightness of the exploding fireworks on the cover of the magazine reminds us that Bonfire Night is near and that we will be welcome to join the school's display.

Within the school's contribution this month we learn about the work they are doing to help keep the village looking tidy. Thank you Triscombe and Beacon classes for sprucing up the Well area and making it safe.

Congratulations are also due to Allen and Debbie at the Post Office for gaining a Highly Commended Award in the BBC Radio Somerset 'Make a Difference' Awards. It's good to know that their kindness and help has been recognised.

As usual there are many events this month taking place in the village. Among them the Safari Supper, the Film Club and an intriguing sounding event called "Caught in the Act". All these alongside the regular information from The Village Agent, Stogursey Lunches, the Forget-me-Not meetings and the exercise clubs to keep us fit and ready to face winter.

The Editorial Team wish all our readers a happy and healthy time.

### Stogursey-Online.uk

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

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

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](mailto: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.
- Please 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 for each and every month you would like it published.
- Your illustrations must be copyright free.  
(*Stogursey News will not be liable for costs resulting from prosecution if this condition is ignored.*)

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

**Thank you**

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## Regular Events

Monday	Health Walks (weekly) Contact Ralph 07969777325 Short Mat Bowls (weekly) Contact: Ron 732688	Steart Marshes Car Park Victory Hall	2.00pm 7.30pm - 9.00pm
Tuesday	Tai Chi Shibashi for over-50s (weekly) (Contact AgeUK 01823 345 624) Stogursey Lunches (weekly) Bingo (weekly) WI (second Tuesday of month) Parish Council Meeting (second Tuesday of month) Quantock Tennis Club (first Tuesday of month)	Victory Hall Jubilee Rooms St Audries Centre Victory Hall Victory Hall Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.30 am Doors Open 12noon Eyes Down 2.00pm 2.30pm 7.15 pm 6.00pm - 10.00pm
Wednesday	Creative Dance Class (weekly) Forget-Me-Not Café (alternate Wednesdays) Bingo Club Ukulele Sessions (second Wednesday of month)	Victory Hall Jubilee Rooms Youth Club The Greyhound Inn	10.30am 10.30am - 12 noon 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm
Thursday	Mobile Library visit (once every four-weeks) Youth Club (weekly) Film Night (monthly)	Shurton & Stogursey Youth Club Jubilee Rooms	as per schedule 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm doors open 7.00 pm
Friday	Coffee Shop (weekly) Quantock Tennis Club (weekly) Contact John Nicholson 732711 or jfnicholson@talktalk.net	Jubilee Rooms Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.30am - 12 noon 10.00am - 12 noon
Saturday			
Sunday	Quantock Tennis Club (weekly)	Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.00am - 12 noon

## DIARY 2022

### NOVEMBER

Tues 1 <sup>st</sup>	Citizens Advice Bureau	Stogursey Youth Club	10.00 am - 12 noon
Weds 2 <sup>nd</sup>	FOSS: Firework Show	Stogursey C of E School	6.00 pm - 8.00 pm
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mobile Library Van Visit	As per schedule	As per schedule
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	Victory Hall	7.00 pm
Weds 9 <sup>th</sup>	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30 am - 12 noon
Weds 9 <sup>th</sup>	SOS: Ukulele Session	The Greyhound Inn	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	Safari Supper	Jubilee Rooms (to start)	6.00 pm
Tues 15 <sup>th</sup>	Citizens Advice Bureau	Stogursey Youth Club	10.00 - 12 noon
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup>	Film Night: 'Elvis'	Jubilee Rooms	Doors Open 7.00 pm
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup>	'One Room Where It Happened'	Victory Hall	7.30 pm
Weds 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30 am - 12 noon
Tues 29 <sup>th</sup>	Citizens Advice Bureau	Stogursey Youth Club	10.00 - 12 noon

### DECEMBER

Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Fun Christmas Quiz	Jubilee Rooms	7.00 pm
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Concert	Victory Hall	7.00 pm

## SERVICES IN THE QUANTOCK COAST BENEFICE : NOVEMBER 2022

CHURCH	6 <sup>th</sup> November 3 <sup>rd</sup> before Advent	13 <sup>th</sup> November Remembrance Sunday	20 <sup>th</sup> November Christ The King	27 <sup>th</sup> November Advent Sunday
EAST QH	-	Remembrance @ 3 NM	-	-
FIDDINGTON	9.00am Eucharist SC	9.00am Eucharist with Remembrance TS	9.00am Eucharist NM	
HOLFORD & DODINGTON	6.30pm Evensong SC	9.30 Eucharist CW With Remembrance DB	11.00am Holy Communion (BCP) NM	
KILVE	11.00am Eucharist NM	11.00am Remembrance Service SC	9.30am Eucharist SC	
STOGURSEY	10.30 Eucharist TS	10.00am Eucharist 10.40 Remembrance on the Gravel NM	10.30am Eucharist CM	
STRINGSTON	11.00am Family Service SB	10.45am Remembrance Service SB	11.00am Eucharist SC	
WEST QH	9.30am Eucharist NM	9.30am Eucharist With Remembrance SC	9.30am Family Service DB	10.30am Benefice Eucharist NM
Liturgical colour & Readings	RED	RED	RED	PURPLE
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Job 19: 23 - 27	Malachi 4: 1 - 2	Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6	New Church Year
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	2 Thess 2: 1 – 5, 13 - end	2 Thess 3: 6 - 13	Colossians 1: 11 - 20	TBC
Gospel	Luke 20: 27 - 38	Luke 21: 5 - 19	Luke 23: 33 - 43	



## Death of Pete Cross

We wanted to say a heartfelt thank you to all of you that have reached out, supported, and showed their love since the death of Pete. We are very much comforted by the stories and memories you have all shared. Albeit far too soon you all made Pete's send off one he would have been proud of, and no doubt very much enjoyed, the wake at The Plough.

Your generosity has allowed us to donate £1018.61 in Pete's memory, and this money will be split between Bridgwater Friends of Cancer Research UK & the Quantock Medical Centre at Nether Stowey.

We would like to send a special thank you to Sarah and her team at Grandfield's, who showed nothing but compassionate professionalism throughout a very difficult time.

Your kindness and well wishes have truly made a difference to us, and we thank you all from the bottom of our Hearts.

Polly, Donna & Mickey xxx

## BBC RADIO SOMERSET AWARDS

Many congratulations to **Allen and Debbie Robins** who have won a Highly-Commended trophy at the prestigious BBC Radio Somerset 'Make a Difference' Awards.

They reached the final 4 contestants as a result of their outstanding contribution to village life over the past 15 years since taking over Stogursey Post Office, and received their trophy on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October at the special BBC Awards Ceremony.

I think that everyone would want to join in adding their congratulations to them both on this well-deserved recognition of their constant efforts beyond the call of duty.



*Debbie and Allen at the Awards Ceremony.*

## VICTORY HALL LOTTERY WINNERS

### September Draw 2022

1 <sup>st</sup> prize	£25.00	Allan Searle	No 102
2 <sup>nd</sup> prize	£15.00	Nick Baker	No 67
3 <sup>rd</sup> prize	£10.00	Marge England	No 121

## SOS Ukulele Session

We have moved!

The new venue is the back bar of The Greyhound Inn, and the new day is Wednesday.

So the next get-together will be on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>**

**November, starting at 7.30pm.** Come and join us for a play, a sing along or backing tambourine. We have spare ukuleles and welcome beginners and experts alike.



Come and join us on

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

to celebrate the King of Rock and Roll in the epic big screen spectacular that is 'Elvis'.

This newest instalment in his story is presented through the complicated relationship between him and his manager Colonel Parker, played by the always compelling Tom Hanks.

The renowned director Baz Luhrmann takes us on a beautiful and fast-paced journey through Elvis' career, with unique interpretations of some of his most famous songs, and insight into the more significant events of his life. Whether you are an Elvis fan or not, you won't be able to help falling in love with this magnificent cinematic masterpiece.

Doors at the Jubilee Rooms open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets are available on the door or in advance from the Post Office in Spar.

See you all there!

The Soap Factory Team.

## COFFEE MORNING

East Quantoxhead Village Hall

**Saturday NOVEMBER 19<sup>th</sup>.**

10am -12midday

Café/Bric-brac/Books/DVDs

## For Sale

Sewing Machine hoping for a good home.

It folds into a teak table.

Telephone if interested, and name your price when seen.

M England, 01278 732079

## JUST A FEW MORE DAYS TO BOOK YOUR SAFARI TICKETS!

### ENJOY A FUN SOCIAL SUPPER EVENING STARTING IN STOGURSEY!

You'll need to reserve your places (as a pair if possible but not essential) very soon before gathering in the Jubilee Rooms, Castle Street, Stogursey from

**6.00pm on Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup>.**

Here you will meet the other Safari participants and be served your first course - to include delicious canapés - and enjoy a free drink.

Clues will be provided to identify your mystery main course hosts and where they live before setting off in the right direction with your fellow traveller by 7.15pm.

Further clues will be provided for you and your supper partner to travel to your final destination for dessert, departing your main course venue by 8.45 pm. (Each pair travelling on safari is invited to donate a bottle to one of their hosts.)

Travelling will be essential at some point in the evening whether on foot, bicycle or car depending on where your main course and dessert are being served.

This is a great way to meet other local residents and great value to have 3 courses and a free drink for **£17.00** per person. Do come and join us and get in touch if you want more information. Booking is essential by **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November.**

Email or message [carolinemayhawkes@gmail.com](mailto:carolinemayhawkes@gmail.com)  
07794663654 or 01278 733162

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You can also book your place for our **FUN CHRISTMAS QUIZ** taking place on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December** in the Jubilee Rooms from 7.00pm. Teams of up to four can be booked at any time up to **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December**. Contact: Sukey Elstob on 01278 732149 or [sukey.elstob@btinternet.com](mailto:sukey.elstob@btinternet.com)

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We're also organising a **WASSAIL on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> January** (weather permitting) setting off from The Babbling Brook, Shurton at 1.30pm to process to a local orchard. Contact: Sukey Elstob on 01278 732149 or [sukey.elstob@btinternet.com](mailto:sukey.elstob@btinternet.com)

*Caroline Hawkes  
Secretary Stogursey Twinning Association*

## News from Cannington Health Centre

### Dispensary

You may be aware of online pharmacy services which appear in NHS digital mobile phone applications or as websites offering to supply your prescribed medicines via the post.

While you can choose to use any dispensary to supply your prescription medicines, there are a few considerations when using online pharmacies:

- You cannot have any face-to-face contact with an on-line pharmacy. They can only deal with patients by post, telephone or by internet, not in person.
- Your prescription will be delivered by Royal Mail, unlike your medications handed to you in the dispensary by a member of our team.
- In October 2015, an online pharmacy business was fined £130,000 for selling its patients' details to marketing companies.
- In February 2017, the Care Quality Commission inspected an online pharmacy business and found that it was "not safe, effective or well led".

We believe that an internet pharmacy business is no substitute for your local dispensary.

We have several options how you can order your prescriptions, but as we are a dispensing practice, we are unable, unfortunately, to dispense to you if you live within a mile of a pharmacy - as the crow flies.

- You can order your prescriptions for collection from the surgery via the online NHS app (please contact the surgery for information).
- You can phone us on our dedicated repeat prescription line which is open between 9.30am – 12pm Monday-Friday **01278 655 464** which is operated by a dispenser who will be able to help with any queries you may have.
- You can drop off your repeat slip at any time.

We aim to complete prescription orders within 72 working hours, and we will contact if there is a supply problem with any medication.

**Please support us to continue caring for you and your family by ignoring any correspondence from an online pharmacy business, and by continuing to obtain your prescriptions here at your local NHS dispensary.**

### Flu vaccinations

Flu vaccinations are well underway. If you are eligible to receive a free flu vaccine, please phone 01278 652335 and book an appointment. Where possible, we ask that you phone after 2pm.

Please note, we are unable to offer COVID boosters at the practice, to book for a COVID vaccination, please call 119.

With songs from movies and theatre,  
**Caught In The Act**



presents 4 shows, 3 portrayals of love, 2 worlds in . . .

**One Room Where It Happened**

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2022  
 Stogursey Victory Hall at 7:30pm  
 Admission £10, Concession £7.50

To purchase tickets, call, email or purchase on the door:  
 07584844945 or 07940148747  
 caughtintheacttheatre@gmail.com

**CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE**

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 10am to 4pm

ST MARY'S CHURCH CENTRE,  
 Nether Stowey, TA5 1LJ

**BOOK A CRAFT SALES TABLE NOW!**

Tel: Gill Griffiths 01278 773709

**FESTIVE MUSIC with the WESTON AREA  
 ROCK CHOIR**

East Quantoxhead Village Hall

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 27<sup>th</sup> 1.45pm**

Tickets £5.00 inc. refreshments Tel – 01278  
 741629/741173

**Christmas Concert**

with

**West Somerset Brass Band**

FRIDAY 16<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

7.00pm for 7.30pm start

Victory Hall, Stogursey

TICKETS £10.00

**Licenced Bar on site**

**A great time to get festive!**

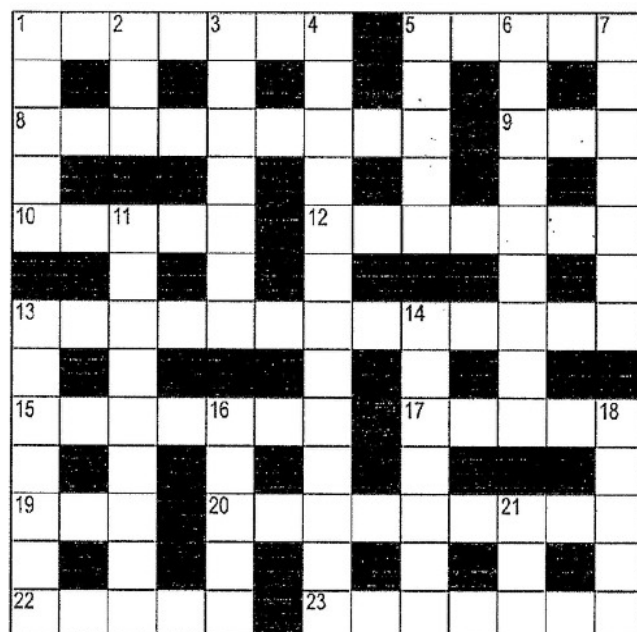
Contact: Wendy - 741236 / Amy - 07837891120

Great Raffle Prizes!

*In aid of Stringston Church & West Somerset Brass Band*

**Quick Crossword No 30**

compiled by Helen Cuttall



**CLUES ACROSS**

1. Fine, light linen or cotton fabric (7)
5. Bridgwater Carnival floats (5)
8. Unique to Bridgwater Carnival (9)
9. Molecule that carries genetic information for the development of an organism (3)
10. Cub leader (5)
12. Cockchafer (7)
13. In a tasteful way (13)
15. Having an obscure meaning (7)
17. - - - - - Cup, golf trophy (5)
19. - - - and downs (3)
20. The study of antiquities (9)
22. Quantities of medicine prescribed by a doctor (5)
23. The longest river of Asia (7)

**CLUES DOWN**

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> largest city in Iraq (5)
2. 19<sup>th</sup> letter of the Greek alphabet (3)
3. Day of religious worship (7)
4. Mysteriously (13)
5. With caution & wariness (5)
6. Made twice as great or intense (9)
7. Boris - - - - - Russian chess grandmaster (7)
11. Writers of literary works (9)
13. Money accumulated in regular or increasing amounts (7)
14. Artichoke thistle (7)
16. Spanish appetisers (5)
18. Poetry (5)
21. Cereal grain (3)

## Stogursey Oil-buying Group

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

The next order after this one will be in January. 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](mailto:stogurseyford@gmail.com) by **10am Monday 7th November** with the following information:-

### Stogursey Oil-buying Group

Name .....

Address .....

..... Postcode .....

Email (if available) .....

Tel: .....

Amount of oil required ..... litres

*Note: PLEASE specify an amount of oil required, and not an unknown quantity such as 'top up'.*

Special instructions.....

**Delivery will be in the 2 week period commencing  
14th November.**

## HOLFORD GARDENERS' GROUP

Holford and District Village Hall  
Tuesday November 15th: 7.15pm AGM

**7.30pm 'English Coastal Path'**  
A talk by Isobel Pring ECP Officer SCC

Members £1.00 Visitors £2.00

## Solution to Quick Crossword No 29: October 2022

### ACROSS:

1. Wryneck, 5. Decor, 8. Whodunnit, 9. App, 10. Diced, 12. Hamlets, 13. Entertainment, 15. Cockpit, 17. Trench, 19. Amy, 20. Tadcaster, 22. Mambo, 23. Yeltsin

### DOWN:

1. Wowed, 2. Yeo, 3. Ecuador, 4. Kindheartedly, 5. Datum, 6. Chameleon, 7. Reposit, 11. Cataclysm, 13. Exclaim, 14. Netball, 16. Patio, 18. Heron, 21. Tis

## MACULAR SOCIETY

### EXMOOR SUPPORT GROUP, DULVERTON



We had a most wonderful visit from Jo Fishwick, the leader and organiser of all the Macular Society Groups in the West Country. Apart from the fact that she stepped in at short notice, because our original speaker cancelled in the last minute, Jo told us all about and demonstrated the most recent developments in technology for the blind, most of which she uses daily herself, as she is totally blind. Our thanks go to her, her ever patient husband Rob and guide-dog Bruno.

As we are nearing the end of the year, I thought I announce the last two events together.

We are delighted that the Leading Ophthalmologist at Musgrove Hospital in Taunton, Mr Edward Herbert, has agreed to visit our group on Thursday, 24th November, to explain, particularly to our new members, the origins, diagnosis, and treatments of Macular Degeneration; and tell us a little bit about his own, fascinating career, before bringing us up-to-date with the efforts made by his colleagues in research and their already considerable successes. We are very lucky and most grateful indeed, that Ed has fitted us into his already packed schedule at the hospital.

We usually don't have a meeting in December, but if members would like to meet up on December 8th at 11am at the carpark close to Hannover House, Dulverton, the Somerset Sight van will be there to tempt us to buy more helpful gadgets and to replace batteries where needed.

A little reminder for the new members: Our meetings take place at the Community Room at the beginning of the drive to Exmoor Medical Centre at 2pm (to around 4 pm).

For further information, please, ring Marion or Royce on 01398 371 450



## Points from the Parish Council Meeting - 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Due to the period of national mourning following the death of HM The Queen, there was no Parish Council meeting held in September.

### Parish Councillor Vacancy

Are you interested in becoming a Parish Councillor? The Parish Council is the first tier of local government and aims to be a strong voice for residents and local businesses, working to improve the overall parish area. If you are interested, please contact the Clerk or any of the Parish Councillors to find out more about the role and how you may be co-opted on to the Council.

### Shared Cycle Path – Combswich to Hinkley Point

There was a presentation on the proposal from HPC to create a shared cycle path on what is currently the network of footpaths from Steart to Hinkley Point. The proposal is to change the paths to bridleway and includes a surface path across the RAMSAR and SSI sites through which the footpath travel. The ongoing consultation may be followed by formal proposals, which the Parish Council may have to consider in due course.

### Hinkley Point B De-Commissioning

A public consultation is currently running on their proposals, and a presentation is to be given to the November Parish Council meeting, when members will be able to raise queries and comment.

### Paddons Farm

As the current phase of the development draws to a close, the future of the two areas currently being used as compounds will be considered, as those areas are due to come to the Parish once the works are completed. The future use of both areas will be considered at a future Parish Council meeting.

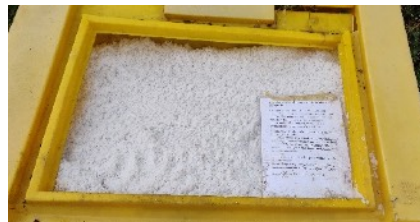
### Parking

Since the last update there have been several meetings to try to build on an idea of an additional parking area on Burgage Road/Vicarage Road. It is hoped that Magna Housing and Somerset County Highways will consider the idea and help to relieve some of the issues that continue to occur in those areas.

### Road Salt

If there are any of our community groups that wish to have a supply of bagged road salt (free of charge) for use over the coming winter months, can they please make contact with the Clerk.

The salt bin on Priory Hill has been cleared of rubbish and is now full of salt once more . . .



**The next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday  
8<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 19:00 at the Victory Hall.  
All are welcome to attend.**

Please see the agenda and draft minutes of the last meeting on the parish website, [www.stogursey-online.uk](http://www.stogursey-online.uk) or any of the parish noticeboards. If necessary, please contact the Clerk for any further information ahead of the meeting. My phone number is 01278 652534 or you can e-mail me at [stogurseyppcclerk@gmail.com](mailto:stogurseyppcclerk@gmail.com)

*Richard Wand  
Clerk to Stogursey Parish Council*

**Citizens Advice  
will visit Stogursey  
Youth Club on  
these dates**

**Tuesdays 1 November  
15 November  
29 November  
13 December**

from 10.00am to 12.00 midday

Come and see us for some friendly, bespoke employment support to suit you and your needs, whether you are in work, out of work or thinking about a career change or training.

Contact us: Tel: 01823 219578 / 01823 219612 /  
07392316158  
email: [employmentsupport@somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk](mailto:employmentsupport@somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk)

## Volunteer to be an Independent Visitor or Advocate for children in Somerset.



These are fascinating and inspiring opportunities, which can bring real benefits to vulnerable children and young people. (Travel and reasonable expenses are reimbursed.)

You can help children and young people understand their rights and ensure that their views, wishes and feelings are heard.

### What is an Independent Visitor?

Independent Visitors are volunteers who befriend and spend time with a child or young person who is in the care of the Local Authority. By law all local authorities have to provide an Independent Visitor service.

In Somerset, our intention is to encourage the relationship between the Independent Visitor and young person to continue beyond care. This way the care leavers continue to benefit from support, while making the transition to young adulthood. Independent Visitors are highly valued by the young people as they may be the only person involved in their lives who is not paid to be there.

### What is an Advocate?

An Advocate is an independent person who can offer one-to-one support to children and young people to have their voice heard when meetings are taking place concerning their wellbeing. It's the role of the Advocate to speak up for the young person, make them aware of their rights, listen to them and represent their views, wishes and feelings. Why not join our bank of advocates? You choose when you're available.

Your volunteering can be arranged to suit your availability. Your life experience will be highly valued and you will be trained and supported in developing key skills.

Please contact us and we will arrange a short visit or call to explain more and discuss your options.

For more information, visit our website at [www.route1advocacy.co.uk](http://www.route1advocacy.co.uk)  
[Route1businesssupportadmin@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:Route1businesssupportadmin@somerset.gov.uk)  
01749 822801



## Village Agents Newsletter – November 2022



### Staying Warm and Well this winter

This year, more than ever, many people will be extremely concerned about the rise in fuel costs and the coming winter months. Please get in touch if you are struggling with fuels costs – we want everyone to be warm and well this winter! Or, you can contact the Centre for Sustainable Energy and their Home Energy team on 0800 082 2234. They can help: find cheaper fuel, switch suppliers, deal with fuel debt, and more. Watch this recent Talking Café for tips and advice for saving money on your fuel bills and keeping a warm home: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y7FsnSrJAow>

Are you over 60, or rely on electricity for medical or mobility reasons or have a hearing or visual impairment or a long-term health condition? Sign up for the priority services register here: <https://www.nationalgrid.co.uk/customers-and-community/priority-services/priority-services-register>. There is advice on the website for registering with your other utilities too such as water and gas.

Village & Community Agents will be able to help with keeping warm by distributing Surviving Winter grants to those most in need. Funding comes from people who are financially able donating their winter fuel payment to SCF – if you are able to do this please visit: <https://www.somersetcf.org.uk/special-projects/surviving-winter>

### Crisis Fund Appeal

The CCS Crisis Fund is distributed by our Village and Community Agents to help people in crisis situations. A small grant can make a huge difference in a person's life – **and we need your help now more than ever!**

Some recent examples of where the Crisis Fund has helped:

- To support a family with funeral costs after their teenage son died in a road accident
- To buy children's clothes for a family who had recently lost Dad to cancer
- To buy half a tank of oil for a lady with a chronic health condition who was struggling to heat her home
- Paying to PAT-test and move a donated fridge-freezer to a family in need
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## Stogursey Community Network (SCN)

November 2022 Update

## NOVEMBER MENU



❖ **Stogursey Lunches - TUESDAYS**, served in the Jubilee Rooms, Stogursey. These delicious lunches are prepared by L2 Food Hygiene certified volunteers, using fresh, local produce whenever possible.

***We welcome donations of your surplus fresh produce! Thank you.***

Anyone can book to come along for a meal; you can bring guests, just be sure to book for everyone! A vegetarian option is always available and we can cater for special diets, on request.

Payment is by a cash donation of your choice, cheques accepted.

**Advance booking** is essential please. Tel: 01278 733451  
(our new number for booking Stogursey Lunches)

❖ **Food Bank Donations and Deliveries** The SCN is an official outpost of the Quantock Food Bank. We can collect and deliver food bags to families and individuals.

We are always grateful for donations to our Foodbank collection box (outside The Rectory), but please note that no medicines, fizzy drinks or food past its Best Before Date can be accepted.

**If you need food assistance, contact the Village Agent (for a Foodbank referral - 07985 680269); Home Start (families - 01643 707304); or us\* for something from the Stogursey Larder.**

❖ **SCN Medical Transport** - 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 is by cash donation.

SCN volunteers will collect your **medical prescription** and deliver it to you at home if you are unable to get to the Surgery or the Spar/PO to collect it. Just ask your Surgery to add your name to their list.

**We are always looking for new volunteer drivers; you must have your own car, a clean driving license and undertake a DBS check (which we arrange and pay for). Your mileage will be reimbursed. Please contact us to discuss.**

### How to contact us:

- **Medical transport only: 07485 350560 (phone and leave a clear message)**

\* All other requests: **01278 732149** or message us via Facebook: StogurseyCN Facebook.

### Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November

(book by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October -  
phone 01278 733451)

Meatloaf (beef and pork) with mushroom sauce,  
Mashed or new potato and green veg OR  
Baked Maccaroni Cheese, with green veg

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Sticky Toffee Apple Pudding

### Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November

(book by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November - phone 01278 733451)

Fish Pie with vegetables OR  
Egg Mornay with vegetables

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Caramel Banana Upside-down cake

### Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November

(book by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November - phone 01278  
733451)

Steak and Kidney (or mushroom) Pie OR  
Chestnut & Mushroom Pie  
both served with potatoes and veg

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Danish Apple dessert

### Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

(book by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November - phone 01278  
733451)

Lamb & Vegetable Tagine with couscous OR  
Vegetable Tagine with couscous

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Pear Custard Pie

### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November

(book by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November - phone 01278  
733451)

Cottage Pie and vegetables OR  
Shepherdess Pie (vegetarian) and vegetables

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Gooseberry Meringue Roulade



## Stogursey Adventurers: Community Action

In Adventurers so far this term, we have engaged in community action. The children from Alfoxton and Beacon classes surveyed the village to find areas that needed sprucing up or making safer. We chose to focus on The Well as the weeds were taking hold and the path had become slippery. Thanks to the children and all the adult helpers, it now looks so much better and hopefully will be safer to visit for our community.



**Triscombe Class** have taken their turn in the kitchen. We are thinking about celebratory food this term and they created some Harvest time treats. Alfoxton Class is now continuing with this topic.

**Triscombe and Beacon** are learning to sew in order to make or adapt items of clothing. They have all thrown themselves into this area of Design and Technology with amazing focus and are proving to be very skilful with a needle. We look forward to seeing the results of their hard work.

We would also like to thank our wonderful volunteers for their continued support and without whom we would not be able to run this programme.

## New House Captains

Last Friday, Mr Tucker announced the Year 6 children who were voted our new house captains.

Congratulations to all these pupils!



Nancy and Olivia, House Captains for MURRAY



Finlay and Ameleah, House Captains for CRIDDLE (*Ameleah was away from school on the day the photo was taken.*)



and Ryan and Harry, house captains for FARAH!



## Vicki's Update

We are very proud to confirm that we have now reached our long-standing target of training 1,000 apprentices here at Hinkley Point C.

The work to make this milestone a reality started over 10 years ago in the planning phase of HPC, when we set out key socio-economic targets to deliver as much opportunity as possible to the local community and region. Thank you to those of you who were involved in these key discussions so early on.



The apprenticeship programme is making a real difference across Somerset, with two thirds of all apprentices living within the local area. Some examples include;

Charlotte Casey, 22, from Bridgwater graduated from her Nuclear Engineering apprenticeship in the summer and is now working as an Operational Development Engineer on site. *"My course was action packed, with training in everything from nuclear science to safety and regulation,"* said Charlotte. *"I've now secured a permanent job on the project, and my aim is to see Hinky Point C through to commissioning."*

Mat Danby, 28 from Bridgwater is a Level 3 Chef apprentice with Hinkley Point C's catering provider, Somerset Larder. *"Before I came here, I was frying chicken in KFC – and now I'm making meals for hundreds of hardworking people every day",* said Mat. *"The best bit about my job is the progression I'm being given – and seeing the workforce enjoying my food!"*

Travis Redfern, 22, from Taunton is a Digital Engineer Apprentice with BYLOR. *"I originally wanted to be a primary school teacher, but after hearing about Hinkley Point C's apprenticeships, I decided to change directions",* said Travis. *"I'm so glad I did – I'm passionate about the project and I'm learning so much. It's setting me up for the future."*

Apprentices starting work at Hinkley arrive into a unique environment and it's a massive a project with endless opportunities to learn. We hope that our apprentices will look back at this part of their career positively, having been able to develop their skills and contribute to building our power station. We look forward to creating even more opportunities as the Project progresses.

## Farewell

Finally, I wanted to take the opportunity to let you know that I will be leaving the Hinkley Point C project in the middle of October. I wanted to thank you all for the respect and kindness you have shown to me over the last 13 years of working with the community on behalf of HPC.

My successor will introduce themselves to you in due course. In the meantime, please do continue to contact the team using the below details.

**Email:** [hinkley-enquiries@edf-energy.com](mailto:hinkley-enquiries@edf-energy.com) **Telephone:** 0333 009 7070

# Hinkley Point C - Monthly Update

## A round up of the latest news from Hinkley Point C.

### Hinkley Point C reaches apprenticeship target ahead of schedule

At HPC we have now reached our goal of training 1,000 apprentices. The target was set during the planning stage of the project and is part of our commitment to maximising opportunities for local people. The apprenticeship programme's success is due to the extensive outreach work being done with local schools and colleges whilst partnerships have also been set up with training providers, such as Bridgwater & Taunton College, creating a pipeline from the classroom to employment.



The apprenticeship programme is making a real difference across Somerset, with two-thirds of all apprentices living within the local area. Apprenticeships will continue to be available on the project as construction develops. Due to the number of skills needed to build the power station, there is a course for everyone, from welding, nuclear engineering, to HR and catering. Opportunities are available, regardless of previous experience, background, or age – the youngest apprentice is 18, and the oldest is in their 50s. More information on our apprenticeship schemes and how to access the huge range of opportunities is available on our website: [edfenergy.com/hpc](https://edfenergy.com/hpc)

### Marking six years of progress

On 29 September the project marked six years since construction was given the official green light. As a project we reflected on all the progress made so far with videos and images of construction progress shared across the site. To see the latest progress photos visit our website: [edfenergy.com/hpc](https://edfenergy.com/hpc)



### Biffa's fitting support for Ukraine

The Biffa team at Hinkley Point C's Waste Consolidation Centre (WCC) is lending a helping hand to Ukraine aid workers by donating PPE essential to road safety management. The 'boot sort' event in the summer saw the Biffa team and volunteers from across the Project pair the boots, then clean, lace and box them, ready to be transported to Aylesford, Kent.

They were then handed over to road safety charity Eastern Alliance for Safe and Sustainable Transport (EASST), which handled the shipment to Ukraine. The safety boots were sent out to search and rescue teams which work with local authorities to create safer road conditions in the war-torn country. Andy De'Ath, Biffa Operations Manager, said: "These materials and the PPE from Site would usually go into disposal. With this donation programme, we've taken one load of boots over to Kent already and we're aiming for a second soon. So far we've donated more than 200 pairs of boots and we're currently working with EDF's Environment team to increase our donations by expanding to other materials.

### Get in touch

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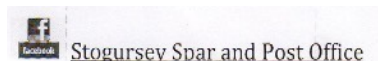
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