

STICKFORD NEWSLETTER MONTHLY UPDATE – JULY 2023

Stickford Parish Council

Films and Fish and Chips!

On Saturday 8th July at 5.30pm there will be a showing of a video of the Jubilee celebrations held in Stickford followed by a video of the Coronation events. This will be held at Stickford Community Centre. It will be a free event using funds left over from the Queens Jubilee and Kings Coronation festivities. There will be a limit of 80 people.

If you would like to attend to watch the films and enjoy **free** fish and chips, please call **John Howlett** on **01205 481361** to book your place. It is first come first served. Please bring your own plates, cutlery, and condiments. Tea, coffee, and squash will be provided.

A quick reminder that it is a 30 MPH speed limit throughout the village. We have had a few instances where speeds have been faster. Please slow down, it's 30 for a reason.

Dog fouling along Catchwater Bank has increased but is believed to be by people visiting the village. If you see anyone leaving dog mess and can get a registration number or know who it is, please report to ELDC online or by phone to submit a report. It is a £100 fixed penalty for anyone caught not cleaning up after their dog.

We still have vacancies for 3 additional councillors. We are able to co-opt new members following the elections. If you would like to see what we do, then please attend our next meeting and if you are interested we can have an informal chat.

Lesley Reeson
Chairman

War Memorial Clock.

Following on from my update in the March newsletter I am very pleased to report that the project for restoration of the clock has been completed. It has been over a year in the planning, but our objective has been achieved to have the clock fully operational again for this year's centenary. It has been fully restored and repaired as required to include three new working gears as the old ones were either worn or damaged and new cables. The repair works are guaranteed for twelve months, all new parts made by the restorers are guaranteed for ten years against failure through faulty workmanship or materials. Any parts not made by the restorers have the manufacturers own warranty.

The project has been fully funded by donations and a grant. The Parish Council has not made a financial contribution towards the cost but arrangements are being made with the restorers for an annual maintenance contract which the Parish Council will pay for, but we hope to reduce the cost by having our inspection carried out with others in our area. This is to safeguard the future running of the clock.

The project could not have been carried out without the very kind and generous donations by three people so a big thank you to them and the grant providers FCC Communities Foundation so again a big thank you to them. FCC award grants to community projects from funds donated by FCC Environment through the Landfill

Communities Fund, previously known as WREN. A big thank you also to Cheryl for obtaining the grant and dealing with the formalities for it which were not straightforward at times!

All the clock parts were returned to site in two visits, the top parts including the dials on 29th May and the full workings on 1st June. Prior to return, all the workings were fully tested in the workshop for three weeks. On return to an outside environment, we were told to expect some issues. The clock stopped at 6.50 on 5th June which I initially thought was a winding issue, but it then stopped again at 6.37 on 12th June and 6.40 on 13th June. At that time, it was also losing a minute a day. I telephoned the restorers at 10 a.m. on 14th June and they were with me at the clock by 2 p.m. the same day. Prior to arriving at the site, they thought they were aware of what the problem was with the clock stopping around the same time. This was due to the counterbalance slightly touching the tower; correcting works were done to the connecting rods, the strike cable and time settings. All of the workings were fully inspected over a ninety minute stay since which we have not had any problems. Excellent service from the restorers Time Assured Limited.

*John Howlett.
Vice Chairman.*

July event dates

Tuesday 4th July **Collect school clothing vouchers**
Stickford Community Centre
6.30pm to 7.30pm

<p style="text-align: center;">FILMS OF QUEEN'S JUBILEE 2022 AND KINGS CORONATION 2023 TAKEN IN STICKFORD FOLLOWED BY FISH AND CHIP SUPPER Stickford Community Centre Saturday 8th July at 5.30pm To book your place and Fish and Chips ring John on 01205 481361</p>
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Sunday 9th July **Morning Worship**
11.15 am St Helen's Church, Stickford

Monday 10th July **Stickford Ladies Social Circle** There is no speaker this month so members are holding an auction. We will be having our usual tea and cakes whilst everyone has a chance to chat!
1.30pm Stickford Community Centre. Visitors welcome (£2)

Tuesday 11th July **Keals Club** Tea, Cakes & Conversation followed by an Auction
2pm Stickford Community Centre Visitors welcome (£1)

Tuesday 11th July **Parish Council Meeting** - Public open forum for 15 minutes at start of meeting
7.30 pm Stickford Community Centre

FARMERS MARKET

Stickford Church Saturday 22nd July
11am to 2pm

Vegetables, Mama's Chilli Delights, Cheese,
Sausages & Bacon, Hannah's Flowers, Honey + more

To book a stall contact Cheryl on 01205 480477 or
Nicki on 01205 480869

Sunday 23rd July

Holy Communion

11.15 am St Helen's Church, Stickford

Family Eco Afternoon



St Helen's Church, Stickford
Wednesday 26th July
2pm to 4pm



FREE

Games, crafts, bug hunting and more

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Please ensure children are wearing sun cream and a hat for protection!



Coffee Morning

Friday 28th July

10.30 am - 12 noon

Stickford Community Centre

Coffee/Tea + Cake £1

All ages welcome

Proceeds to Stickford Community Centre



AFTERNOON BINGO

Saturday, 29th July

Stickford Community Centre

DOORS OPEN 12:45pm – EYES DOWN 1:30pm

Refreshments available before and midway

Raffle with donations from local business

Funds being raised for village defibrillator.



POST OFFICE VAN – calls at the Red Lion car park every Monday morning between 11.30am and 12.30pm.

FOOD BANK - donations of foodstuffs/toiletries can be made in the church (open 10-4 every day) or at the community centre when it's open for an event. The donations are passed on to the food bank at the New Life Church in Spilsby.

NEWS FROM THE RED LION

Music events:

Saturday, 8th July at 7pm – Let There B/DC – AC/DC tribute band

Sunday, 16th July at 2pm – Rascallion – country rock (change from original listing)

Saturday, 28th July at 7pm – Keith Bishop for a double birthday

Sunday, 30th July at 2pm – Charlie Buck

Charity Day – thank you to everyone who supported our Charity Day. We raised an amazing £557.05 on the day towards the village defibrillator. You can continue to donate through our PayPal page using “theredlionstickford@gmail.com”. Further fundraising – bacon and sausage baps on the morning of the farmers’ market – and the sale of Guinness parasols – raised a further £231. Thanks again to everyone who contributed.

Check out our menu - visit our Facebook page or just pop in. You can eat in or take away – call 01205 480395 to order a take away.

Did you know that there is a **multi-purpose play area at the Community Centre**? It isn't just a car park, it has play walls in it which have football posts, cricket stumps and basketball/netball hoops. There is also a small grassed area which has talk tubes and a bench. Any one is welcome to use it (at your own risk), but not when cars are parked. Contact Cheryl Steele on 01205 480477 if you require more information.