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11th May

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Fri 10th, 24th April;

8th May

(Denton & Caldecote: Fri 3rd, 17th, 1st)

Recycling Bins:

Mon 6th, 20th April;

4th May

(Denton & Caldecote: Mon 13th, 27th, 11th)

Food Bins:

Every Monday

www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins

**Alconbury recycling depot
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April to September - 8am to 4:50pm

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The Parish Pump

Local News

LOCAL HEROINE !

Too many people in our community seem to hide their light under a bushel, with the result that often we only learn about them in their obituaries, of which we've had too many in recent months. So it's a delight to be able to share news of a much-loved resident, Jo Davies, who will be known to many ex-pupils of Stilton school and their parents, and who is very much in full bloom!

Jo has enjoyed a long and fulfilling career as a teacher. Her early prowess in athletics (at 15 she won the Victrix Ludorum for athletics at Lyng Hall secondary school in Coventry) led to her being accepted at Lady Mabel College of Physical Education in 1962. She remembers playing hockey and cricket on the front lawn and lacrosse where the deer roamed.

After qualification her first appointment was as the girls' PE teacher at Orton Longeville school. Here, she set out to 'waterproof' the girls, making them able to swim 25 metres and to be able to rescue and help others in difficulty. Her success in this was recognised by a letter of thanks from The Royal Life Saving Society, presented by Earl Mountbatten at the Commonwealth Institute in London.

Jo also offered holiday swimming lessons for primary children by day and adults in the evening and was gratified by how many succeeded after a 10 day programme.

Jo started her family while teaching at the County Girls' School but quickly found that after-school practices and Saturday matches didn't fit into family life, so she took up an opportunity to cover for a term at Stilton school. Here she succumbed to the 'Stilton effect' and remained until her well-earned retirement. She looks back with pride on a career which has included teaching two generations; a parent at Orton and her children at Stilton.

Just before Christmas, Jo caught the end of a news item about a presentation of degrees to students of Lady Mabel College from 1950 to 1977, which included her time there. Daughter Claire investigated and found that her mum was eligible for the award of a B.Ed degree. A fitting recognition of her lifetime achievements.



Stilton Culture

A BIG THANK YOU...

The Stilton Cheese Rolling Festival team would like to thank everyone who supported the event last year, *writes Tianda Woolner*, with special thanks to the businesses, groups and individuals who sponsored parts of the day, donated to us or supported us for free. In no particular order;

Stall holders and pitches - Fees
 Angel Spice - donation
 Huntingdonshire District Council - Funding
 Bellway - donation
 Nisa - MADL - Funding
 Twinning - donation
 The Big Stilton Cheese - donation
 The National Lottery Fund - Funding
 Adam Vickers - Equipment
 The Cheesey Team - Volunteer hours

The level of support we had last year was amazing and helped us to bring a great event to the village for the second year running. We hope you agree that it was very well run, secure, family-friendly and met our community needs for meeting, socialising and supporting local businesses, along with some great coverage in the local and national press and tv.



...AND A BIG ASK

This year we will not have the generous grant from Huntingdonshire DC as that funding has been withdrawn, Bellway are not supporting us this year and the National Lottery Grant is restricted on its use of funds. We are looking for local sponsorship from businesses or individuals who can fill the gap for 2026. Here are the main expenses we face each year using the costs from last year - again in no particular order;

Event Insurance - £657
 Music Licence - £180
 Security - £2,361
 Mobile Power - £419
 Waste - £360
 St John's Ambulance - £823
 Toilet Hire - £468
 Prizes - £590
 Cheeses - £230

Plus we have smaller costs associated with competitions, advertising, printing, freebies for the children, etc

Here at Cheesey HQ we are busy trying to stretch the budget but a little more help would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Tianda on 07758 368255 or email ourbigstiltoncheese@gmail.com if you can offer any assistance.

Getting Ready to Roll

HERE COMES ANOTHER AMAZING CHEESE-ROLLING !

And here it is, already April, and we are well on our way to bringing you yet another amazing Stilton Cheese Rolling Festival on Sunday, 24th May, *writes Tianda Woolner*. Our planning began in January as usual and our small but perfectly formed Cheesey Team has been very busy, not only booking stallholders, entertainment and support, such as St John's ambulance and security, but also introducing new ideas for the day.

YEE-HAH !

This year our theme will be The Wild West. It gives plenty of scope for dressing up, joining in and having fun and as it is the Chinese Year of the Horse we thought it appropriate. We start with a drum parade at the later time of 10:30am from the Bellway end of North Street and we hope lots of you will join in the march to the Pavilion to start the day off with a bang. We will have plenty of spare buckets to go around and it was a magnificent sight to see and hear last year with the little ones beating their B&Q buckets with their home-made drum sticks.

FULLY LOADED

That brings me to one of the changes that we have made and that is to start the event at the later time of 11am, the fully loaded daytime itinerary will begin with everyone signing up their teams by 11:30 and followed by the Cheese Rolling Races starting at the usual time of 12 noon. There are loads of things to do and see throughout the rest of the day including browsing the stalls, having a go at the competitions or grabbing some photos. After a brief hiatus

at 4pm to reset the site, the evening music festival will launch at 5pm and continue to 9pm. We have retained the very popular welly wanging competition as we know it brings out the best in you all, and this year we will introduce a dedicated Kids Zone where your youngsters can join in with singing, dancing, competitions and quizzes for free, and an area to grab your instapics to celebrate the day.

PLENTY OF GRUB !

We have rebooked our regular bars and this year we have burgers, pizzas and jacket potatoes, an ice cream van and plenty of cakes and other goodies on offer. The church will be running their usual cafe from the Pavilion kitchen so please remember to support them too.

Feel free to bring your own picnics and soft drinks too but no alcohol will be allowed to be brought onto site. While I am mentioning dos and don'ts, the site is a 'no dogs allowed' zone, although there are tie up spots both just inside the main gate and out on the kerbside if your pet can be left safely for a short while.

KEEP INFORMED...

We have a Facebook page, Stilton Cheese Rolling, and a website which we will keep updated up to and throughout the event and will have QR codes dotted around the site for information and for donating throughout the day.

www.stiltoncheeserollingfestival.com

Parish Council News

WELCOME BACK JULIE !

NEW ARRIVALS...

We have a new Pavilion Administrator, who is no stranger to the role as she used to be the original post holder! After a few years away, Julie is back in position and will be at the Pavilion every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday between 9am and 1pm to attend to Pavilion enquiries, bookings and viewings. Planning a party or event? Email pavilion@stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk, drop by, or call 07484 746894. Stilton residents receive a 25% discount on hire fees!

SPRING IS SPRUNG...

The Apreece Wildlife Garden is beginning to wake up after the long winter. Take a look too at the new display board that's been put into position (funded through HDC's Biodiversity grant). It's bright, colourful and full of information! The daffodils have been popping up to create majestic displays around the village and it's great to see the Cemetery and New Churchyard bulb planting has turned out so well. Next up, our Green Spaces Working Group will consider additional areas for a burst of colour or biodiversity boost.

DECISIONS, DECISIONS...

At our March meeting we decided to:

- Support requests to have new benches in the Cemetery and Apreece Wildlife Garden, and provide Young people Engagement Stilton (YES) with the Community Field for their Children's Summer Event on Saturday 11th July.
- Go to tender for the Barn Close Play Area refurbishment, apply for a National Lottery Grant and use a combination of grant and/or Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) money to fund the new play area.
- Increase the solar battery storage at the Pavilion, following on from the Net Zero Villages grant completion. We'll use £5,190 of CIL money to purchase a further 2 x 9 kWh storage batteries and plan to showcase what has been achieved at this year's Annual Parish Meeting in May.

STILTON PARISH CLERK:

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The Parish Room, Church Street
Stilton PE7 3RF
Tel: (01733) 639106
clerk@stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk

PAVILION ADMINISTRATOR

Tel: 07484 746894 (Pavilion booking line open 10am-midday Monday to Friday)
pavilion@stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Find Parish Council meeting minutes, Pavilion booking details, availability calendar and hire fees on our website www.stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk

To report any village issues, fill out the form on our website.



BE A COMMUNITY HERO !

Stilton Parish Council needs you ! MAKE A CHANGE - BECOME A COUNCILLOR

WHAT DO PARISH COUNCILS DO?

Your parish council has overall responsibility for the well-being of your local community. Their work falls into three main categories:

- **Delivery of services**
- **Improve quality of life for residents**
- **Give communities a democratic voice**

BECOMING A LOCAL COUNCILLOR

As a local councillor you can become a voice for your community and make real change. Local councillors are the champions of their community who invest time in local projects and issues to the benefit of residents and the neighbourhood. Their responsibilities fall into three main categories:

- **Decision-making**
- **Monitoring**
- **Getting involved locally**

Local councillors attend to local needs of residents, local groups and businesses, make decisions on local services, collaborate with district and borough councils to adhere to local needs, and progress vital projects to invest in the future of the community.

CAN I STAND FOR ELECTION?

To stand for election to a local council you must be:

- **A UK or Commonwealth citizen; or be a citizen of the Republic of Ireland; or be a citizen of another Member State of the European Union**
- **At least 18 years old**
- **An elector of the local council; or in the past 12 months occupied land or other premises in the area the local council serves (as owner or tenant); or work in the area local council serves (as your principal or only place of work); or live within three miles of the local council boundary.**

FIND OUT MORE

Visit www.nalc.gov.uk/makeachange, or contact: clerk@stiltonparishcouncil.gov.uk.

HERITAGE PROGRESS

A recent Parish Council decision gave us permission to put our new Stilton Heritage postbox on the Cemetery gatepost, *writes Keith Bull*, in readiness for the planned Heritage Centre; it's now there and ready for use. Also, in March the Council agreed that the Parish Room will change its name to the 'Stilton Heritage Centre'. Good progress is being made preparing the lease from Stilton Parish Council and we're looking forward to opening the Centre soon.

Meanwhile, our regular monthly meetings in Stilton Church have continued in March with an entertaining talk by Dr Matt Simons on the History of Morris Dancing. This finished with an impressive display of dancing by Matt himself. Coming this month will be 'Stories from the Huntingdonshire Archives' by Carys Fyson who works at the Archives. It will take place at 7:30pm on Thursday 9th April.

Talks for the rest of the year are already booked, so don't miss:

- **Foolish Youths & Substantial Rewards (500 years of Bells & Bellringers) on 14th May;**
- **House of Spies (Espionage at Godmanchester) on 11th June;**
- **Historical aspects of Folksworth & Washingley on 9th July;**
- **The story of flight in Peterborough and surrounding area on 10th September;**
- **Life at Norman Cross - The world's first POW camp on 8th October;**
- **and Postcards Then & Now on 12th November.**

More information on our Stilton Heritage website www.stiltonheritage.org.

OH YES, THERE ARE DATES TO REMEMBER !

Young people Engagement Stilton (YES) have booked Stilton Pavilion for Stilton's popular Annual Christmas Fair. As usual it is the last Saturday in November - the 28th November this year - so be sure to put it in your diaries.

For the younger people of Stilton, Saturday 11th July is a date to remember. It will be the annual free YES summer event for our younger residents. In the past we've had a climbing wall and last year bungee-trampoline equipment. Watch **SCAN** to see what we've got lined up for this July!

Meanwhile, don't forget our regular Youth Zone sessions at Stilton Pavilion for years 7 to 11 - every Wednesday from 6:15pm to 7:30pm.

This could have been you !

Advertise in **SCAN** and you not only put your business in front of 3500 readers every month, but if you buy 11 insertions you get the 12th for free!

www.stilton.org/village-life/scan/advertising-in-scan

Yaxley Surgery News



DIGITAL SUPPORT SESSIONS

The PPG hold regular drop-in digital support sessions in the reception area of the practice. So if you would welcome time and space to get to grips with the NHS app or Anima, these sessions are on the third Monday of *every other* month, 8:30-10am;

Mon May 18th

Mon July 20th

Mon Sept 21st

Mon Nov 16th

NEXT PPG MEETING

Monday April 20th 2026, 18:30 in the Yaxley practice reception area (enter via car park doors). Speaker is Dr Emilia from Peterborough Hospital Paediatric Service, on allergy & anaphylaxis.

Attend the PPG meeting and take the opportunity to hear practice statistics and ask (non clinical) questions. All our patients are welcome, no cost to attend and the meeting lasts approximately one hour.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Join the PPG Facebook. Search for Lakeside Yaxley Patient Group, or via this QR code. (Please answer all questions when applying.)



If you have any questions or wish to contact us in confidence, email yaxleypgp@gmail.com. Tell your neighbours and friends about it - not everyone is on social media. We look forward to seeing you there.

Stilton Gardening and Natural History Club

For everyone interested in gardening and the environment

Tuesday April 21st

Stilton Church at 7:30pm

'Turning a Concrete Yard into a Flower Garden'

Fiona Cumberpatch is a freelance journalist specialising in gardening topics and regularly writes for several gardening magazines. She appeared on BBC Gardeners' World in March 2025 with her transformed garden. This illustrated talk will show how she created a container garden and give ideas for gardening in a small space.

Fiona will be bringing her designs of cards and tea towels for sale.

Members free, non-members £4.

Tea and coffee will be served in the Meeting Room as usual after the talk.

Folklore



News & Info for Folksworth,
Morborne & Washingley Folk

April Diary Dates ALL EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Tues 7 th	Ladies Circle
Sat 18 th	Pub Night
Tues 21 st	Annual Parish Meeting (7pm)
3 rd Tuesday (21 st)	Parish Council Meeting
Sat 25 th	Coffee AM
Every Mon evening	Carpet Bowls
Every Tue morning	Worthy Folk Coffee Morning
Every Thurs afternoon	Art Group

**Folksworth
Pub Night**
Saturday April 18th
19:00 - 22:30

FOLKSWORTH OPEN GARDENS

If you wish to open your garden to the public
or help in other ways, please contact:

Andy Goodfellow on 07946 033882

(He is a busy chap so prefers messages but says he can answer the phone and return calls.)

Café and plant sales in the village hall

Now is the ideal time for splitting perennials
or sowing a few extra seeds for us.

Profits from the event will support village groups and local churches

Contact in case of queries: Linda 07709 216426



Open Gardens

Folksworth Morborne Denton

6 June 2026 10am-4pm

Tickets £5 a head under
16 free from Folksworth
Village Hall, Manor Road
Folksworth on the day.

Car park at the school on
Apreece Road

Visit local gardens, plus two Norman
churches. Plant sales, art display &
refreshments at the hall.

Cream teas at Manor Farm Morborne

To reserve your cream tea message
andygoodfellow31@gmail.com
£5 minimum donation per head

Around the Parish

FOLKSWORTH & WASHINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Tuesday, April 21st, 7pm

The Annual Parish Meeting is a tradition that dates back to the Middle Ages, a time before parish councils existed and local decisions were made by gatherings of the whole community. These meetings were typically held in any large building available, such as the church vestry.

Today, the meeting remains open to all electors of Folksworth & Wasingley Parish. Residents not only have the right to attend but are also encouraged to speak on any matter of local interest.

At this year's meeting, representatives from the police will be in attendance and will address recent concerns regarding speeding traffic on Folksworth Road.

DISTRICT & PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

May 7th 2026

The deadline to **register** to vote in this election is Monday 20th April 2026. At these elections, you will need to provide photographic identification before you can vote at a polling station. Read the HDC Voter ID web page to learn more.

If you do not have one of the required forms of ID, you can apply for a free voter authority certificate. The deadline to apply for this is 5pm on Tuesday 28th April.

If you are unable to vote in person, you can apply to vote by post or appoint a proxy to vote on your behalf. If you wish to apply for a postal vote, please note that Hunts District Council must receive your application by 5pm, Tuesday 21st April. You will not need photo ID to vote by post.

If you wish to appoint a proxy to vote on your behalf, they will need to go to your polling station and have their own photo ID to vote on your behalf. The deadline for proxy applications is 5pm, Tuesday 28th April.

The District Council and town/parish elections count will take place on Friday, 8th May at One Leisure, St Ives.

COULD YOU BE A COUNCILLOR?

As we approach the elections, I've been asked about the role of a Parish Councillor and the qualification criteria. There's a useful summary of these on page 7.

To find out more, email me at clerk@folksworthwasingley-pc.org.uk or call 07724 171158.

The closing date for **nominations** to be received at the District Council offices, Pathfinder House, Huntingdon is 4pm Thursday 9th April 2026 and **must be hand delivered**.

SUBSIDISED COMPOST BINS

The subsidy applies to a maximum of two compost converters per household. Please visit GetComposting, enter your postcode, select Blackwall 220 Litre Black Compost Converter and the discount will be automatically applied. Residents will pay £10 and the delivery costs directly to GetComposting.

...AND FREE COMPOST !

The Parish Council is arranging for a further delivery of free compost for residents. This will be delivered to the same area on Apreece Road as before. The date will be circulated once known. Please remember to bring a strong bag or wheelbarrow for collection.

FLY TIPPING

There's been an increase in fly tipping across the district recently. If you see anything, it's important to report this to the District Council as soon as possible. They are very reactive and it's usually cleared in days. Equally important is the instruction not to move or attempt to 'tidy up' the refuse, as important evidence as to who is responsible could be lost. Use this link for your reports: www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/environmental-issues/fly-tipping/

YOUR VIEWS ARE IMPORTANT!

The Council values the opinions of all parish residents. We are keen to hear fresh ideas and encourage more people to get involved in shaping the parish's future.

Even small changes can have a big impact. You can share your thoughts by attending a meeting and speaking during the public forum, or by contacting me directly.

Parish Council meetings are held monthly (except in August) on the third Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is on Tuesday April 21st immediately following the Annual Parish Meeting in the Village Hall, Manor Road, Folksworth.

DO YOU FANCY GETTING FIT FROM THE COMFORT OF A CHAIR?

My seated exercise classes are a wonderful way to gently build strength, improve mobility, and boost confidence, all from the comfort of a chair! Everyone is encouraged to do as little or as much as they feel comfortable with, making the sessions suitable for all abilities.

Classes take place every Thursday from 9:45-10:30am at Folksworth Village Hall, in the community room at the back.

Your first class is completely free, so there's absolutely no pressure, just a chance to come along and see if you enjoy it.

If you decide you'd like to join us regularly, classes work out at £6 each. I ask participants to block book six sessions at a time, and I'll happily explain all the details if you decide it's for you.

Spaces are limited, as the class holds a maximum of 10 participants.

Please feel free to get in touch if you have any questions or if you'd like me to save you a seat.

Laura Humphrey - 07929 471219



QUIZ AFTERNOON

Saturday 25th April



Folksworth Village Hall



2PM Start



£12 per person
Table of 6 - £65



Teams up to 6



Homemade Sandwiches | Cakes & Savouries

All proceeds go to support Peterborough Cat Rescue



Contact Jo on 07533 452874

FOLKSWORTH CARPET BOWLS

Folksworth has not had a good run of match results over the past month. We lost by six points to four away to Werrington in a game we probably ought to have won. This was then well and truly eclipsed by our receiving a 10 - 0 drubbing at home from North Luffenham. North Luffenham are always hard to beat, but that night they could do no wrong as far as carpet bowls were concerned.

However, a few days later, life got better for Folksworth when we entered two teams in a local pairs tournament. The teams comprised David O. and Jonathan, with Joy and Mark making up the second. The tournament consisted of a three match Round Robin with the leading teams then going forward into the knockout rounds. David and Jonathan unfortunately did not make it out of the Round Robin, but Joy and Mark put in a series of fine performances to progress as far as the semi-finals. Most importantly all four players thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Club nights are on Mondays in Folksworth Village Hall and visitors are most welcome. Details are available from Jonathan Wray whose contact information is available in **SCAN** Diary.



LADIES CIRCLE

In March our speaker was Malcolm Parkinson from SERV who told us about the very important role played by the Bloodrunners.

Our speaker on Tuesday 7th April is Sue Knight who will be telling us about Holmewood Hall & Estate. Come and join us at the Village Hall, 7:30pm £2 for visitors.

FOLKSWORTH ART CLUB

Sheep, dogs, cats, dancers, flowers, landscapes with mountains, lakes, sunsets, and boats, to tranquil country scenes and abstracts, are all subjects being painted by members of the art group. Mediums used include gouache, watercolours, oils, pastels, acrylics, and coloured pencils! We all enjoy using a variety of techniques and using them in a very sociable atmosphere. Come and see us.





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Stilton May King and Queen 2026

**Would you like to be this year's May King,
Queen or Princess at the Stilton Cheese Rolling
Festival?**

**Would you like to represent Stilton Court at
Sawtry Carnival too?**

**If you are aged between 5-18 years and have a
connection with Stilton then come along to
audition at Stilton Church's Meeting room on
Wednesday 15th April 7pm.**

**Stilton Cheese Rolling Sunday 24th May 2026
Sawtry Carnival Saturday 13th June 2026**

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Event Horizon

What's on in & around
Stilton & Folksworth

GAMES

SHERIFF

DANCING

**STILTON
CHEESE ROLLING
FESTIVAL**

MUSIC

MAY 24th 2026

11am - 9pm

www.stiltoncheeserollingfestival.com

**STILTON PAVILION
HIGH ST, PE7 3RA**

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The SCAN Diary

What to do.

	WHAT	WHEN	
YOUNGSTERS	Pre-School (Folksworth)	Mon,Tue,Wed,Fri 9:00am - 3:00pm; Thurs 9:00am - 12pm	F
	To join Stilton or Folksworth Rainbows, Brownies or Guides, please visit: www.girlguiding.org and click on 'Get Involved'		S
	YES Youth Zone	Wednesday 6:15 to 7:45 pm	S
	Futsal Tots	Thursday 10-11am	S
ADULTS	Parish Council (Stilton)	7:30pm 2nd Tuesday in month	S
	Parish Council (Folksworth)	7:30 - 9:30pm 3rd Tuesday in month	F
	Stilton Stitchers	Tue 2:30 - 5pm	S
	Friday Social Group	Fri 2 - 4pm	S
	Folksworth Coffee Morning	4th Sat in month 10am-12noon	F
	Worthy Folk Coffee Morning	Tuesdays, 10am-noon	F
	Stilton Church Coffee Morning	Monthly, every 3rd Saturday, 10:30-noon	S
	For up to date details of church services, please visit the Stilton Group of Churches website www.achurchnearyou.com		
SPORT & LEISURE	Stilton Gardening Club	7:30pm 3rd Tuesday in month	S
	Pilates with Vicky	Fri 11:15am-12:15	S
	Pilates with Fran	Tues, Wed. 9:30-10:30	S
	Jungle Fitness	Wednesdays 11am-12noon	S
	Move It or Lose It - over 60s	Tuesdays 11:30am-12:30pm	S
	Stilton Table Tennis Club	Mon (snrs) 11am-1pm; Tue (jnrs) 6:00-7:30pm + club nt 7:30-9:30pm	S
	Stilton Football Club		S
	Stilton Carpet Bowls Club	Mon 2-4pm, Fri 7-9pm	S
	Stilton Wednesday Club	Wed 2-4pm Coffee, cake & conversation.	S
	Folksworth Carpet Bowls Club	Mon 7 - 9pm	F
	Sawtry Table Tennis Club	Mon 6:30-8:30pm during term time	S
	Peterborough Opera Group	Fri 7:30 - 9:30pm	F
	Folksworth Art Club	Thu 12:30-4:30pm	F
	Folksworth Ladies' Circle	1st Tuesday in month 7:30-9:30pm	F
	Bridge Club	Tuesday 6:45pm - 10:00pm	F
	Stilton Stumblers (walking group)	Alternate Sundays 10:00am - see info in this issue	M
OTHER	Mobile Library (Stilton and Folksworth)	1st Tuesday in month - see info in this issue	S
	Age Well Club	Tue 9:30 - 11:45am	A
	'Chatterbox' Carers' Support Group	2nd & 4th Mondays in month, 2:15-4:15pm	C
	Music & Spoken Word Social Group	2nd & 4th Fridays in month, 1:30-3pm	C
	Green End Day Club	Mon-Thurs 10am - 1:30pm	C
	The CARESCO Cave	Mon, Thurs 9am - 1pm; Tue 9am - 4pm	C

Are we up to date? Tell SCAN ab

where to do it and who to do it with

WHERE	WHO	CONTACT
Folksworth Village Hall	Nikki	07542 172075
ved.'		
tilton Pavilion (Patio in summer)	Ian Parmenter	243056 yestilton@gmail.com
tilton Pavilion	Jade Ramm	07850 492601 info@copfc.co.uk
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Folksworth Village Hall	Jackie Stanbridge (Clerk)	07724 171158 clerk@folksworthwashingley-pc.org.uk
tilton Church Meeting Room	Pat Maltman	242229
tilton Church Meeting Room	Diane Glenn	07400 693351
Folksworth Village Hall	Andy Goodfellow	07946 033882
Folksworth Village Hall	Rosemary Dyer	07794 551256
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Wildlife Trust for
**Beds, Cambs
& Northants**

Follow and share



wildlifebcn



Bird song in Stilton Village

Sat 9th May 2026 7.30-9.30 am

Join Communities and Education Officer Rebecca Neal for a morning stroll whilst listening out for the common birds found in the green spaces around this beautiful village.

Book online: **wildlifebcn.org/events**



Meeting point: Stilton Village corner of Church St. and North St.

Booking essential

£7 for Wildlife Trust BCN members

£10 for non-members

The Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire, The Manor House, Broad Street, Cambourne, CB23 6DH Tel: 01954 713500 Email: cambridgeshire@wildlifebcn.org Registered charity No. 1000412

Jan Hawkins - Surrey Hills Photography

Keeping Well

News from the Wellside Surgery
(01487) 830340 www.wellside.org.uk



OUTPATIENT APPOINTMENTS

Our secretary often receives calls from patients asking for wait times for outpatient appointments, but this is not information we have available to us through our practice systems.

Information for patients (including average wait times for an appointment) can be found on the NHS My Planned Care website - www.myplannedcare.nhs.uk/

If you have been referred to Peterborough City or Hinchingsbrooke Hospital you can also contact the Northwest Anglia Foundation Trust Outpatient Contact Centre on 01733 673 555 which is open 8:30am - 17:00pm Mon-Fri excluding bank holidays. The Contact Centre can help with referral updates, queries regarding scan and x-ray services, cancelling or changing outpatient appointments at the hospital, updating your contact details with the hospital and general enquires about outpatient appointments.

EASTER OPENING HOURS

Friday 3rd April - Good Friday - Closed

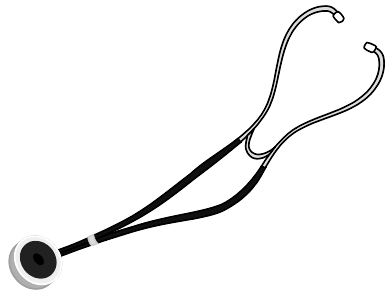
Saturday 4th April - Closed

Sunday 5th April - Closed

Monday 6th April - Easter Monday - Closed

Please remember that we need three working days to process repeat medication requests, so remember to allow for Bank Holidays when submitting your orders.

Best Regards,
Mrs Claire Wright, Practice Manager



Stilton Stumblers

Longer days! Warmer weather! Come and join us!



12 th Apr	Barrowden	7 mi	26 th Apr	Thornhaugh	5 mi
10 th May	Streatham Old Engine	6 mi	24 th May	(Cheese Rolling)	-

For all walks, meet at the Pump at 10:00 For more information about Stumbling, visit stumblers.stilton.org or call Sarah or Michael on 01733 241804

Ward Rounds

News from our
District Councillor

OLD GOLF COURSE AND THE FORMER STILTON LODGE

I recently organised a meeting between me, Cross Keys Homes (who own the sites) and Stilton Parish Council, during which I asked for a statement which I could share in this report. Cross Keys have provided the following:

‘Cross Keys Homes are on site now at Stilton High Street with their contractor Seagate Homes. They are preparing the land to start building 70 new affordable homes with the main contract work to start in spring / early summer 2026. Half of the new homes will be available for Social Rent and half for Shared Ownership. The construction programme will take around two years.

‘Stilton Lodge is currently undergoing some clearance works by Huntingdonshire District Council to allow work on the drainage at the rear of the site. We expect this to complete by May 2026. In the meantime, discussions are underway with Huntingdonshire District Council planning department to agree the future design before a formal application is made. The current proposal is for 10 new affordable homes and a planning application will be submitted early summer 2026.

‘Details of how to apply for the new homes on both sites will be released nearer completion.’

HIGHWAYS ISSUES

Although a County Council and not a District Council responsibility, Marge Beuttell and I are contacted about potholes and other highways issues. We have a good working relationship with County Councillor Simon Bywater and I am pleased to report our collective lobbying seems to be making progress at last.

At the time of writing this (15th March) the work to repair 200 square metres of the road surface at the B1043 junction has been approved, as has work to repair the road surface on the roundabout on the east of the A1M near the junction with Yards End Lane. I have chased up about the clanking Access Chamber Cover in Church Street, Stilton - near the junction of Stackyard Close, which will be corrected by Anglian Water.

FORMER STILTON CHEESE

I have asked for an update as to when work will start but I have not yet received a response.

SAWTRY LEISURE CENTRE

As has been featured on social media, One Leisure will once again be operating the Sawtry centre, including re-opening the swimming pool. This is something, which I and other local District Councillors spoke up for and I hope the centre will be well supported.

AND FINALLY...*Kind regards,*

Life as a District Councillor is rarely dull and often busy (especially so at the moment - and not just with potholes) but if you have an issue, please do contact me via tim.alban@huntingdonshire.gov.uk 07903 518967

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Stilton, Folksworth & Washingley Ward
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Denton & Caldecote, Great & Little Gidding, Glatton and Conington

Councillor Marge Beuttell

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Focussing on Sibson-cum-Stibbington, Elton, Alwalton, Morborne, Haddon, Water Newton and Chesterton

**FOOD WASTE COLLECTION**

HDC's new weekly food waste collection service went live on 30th March. So you can separate food waste (including dairy, bread and pastries, meat and bones, tea and coffee grounds, fruit and vegetables, fish and rice, pasta and beans) from your general waste.

We were puzzled by HDC's statement that we can use plastic bags to help keep these new bins clean, as readers will recall that such items were expressly prohibited from the green waste collection. So we asked our District Councillors to verify this and received the following reply:

'You can use any bin liners in the Food Recycling caddies, however it is advised not to use heavy duty black bags or "bags for life".'

The green waste collection service continues to be a great success, even if we do have to pay for it now. We're pleased to learn that the Parish Council will be arranging another lorry load of free compost for residents later this year, so watch for details soon.



Bookworm



Library News

Country Matters

COME AND LEARN ABOUT THE BIRDS & BEES!

ENGAGE IN THE AFTERNOON

(Free events; 18+, booking essential!)

Yaxley Countryside Volunteers

Wednesday 8th April, 2-3pm

Join speaker Reg Bingham as he discusses the history of the local Yaxley Countryside Volunteers Group.

Bees in the Garden

Wednesday 13th May, 2-3pm

Join speaker Colin Bell as he talks about our native species of bees. Taste the honey they produce and be amazed by their intriguing life.

ADULT EVENTS

(Free. Donations welcome!)

Scrabble Mondays, from 3pm

Knitting Group Thursdays, 2-4pm

Dementia Support Group

Last Monday of the Month, 10-11:30am

(Pre-booking required - please contact Volunteers@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Booking is advised for children's events as places are limited. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Rhymetime Tuesdays 10:30-11am

Under 5s Stay & Play Fridays 9:30-10:30am

Lego Club Saturdays, 10-11am. (50p/child)

Children's Art Club

Join us once a month to let your creative talents come to life with a themed art session.

Saturday 11th April, 10-11am, Mini beast collage.

Saturday 16th May, 10-11am, Mosaic colouring.

Suitable for ages 4+. Kindly supported and funded by Friends of Yaxley Library.

Pop-up Chick Easter Craft

Thursday 2nd April, 10:30-12 noon

Join us for an egg-citing Easter craft and create your own cheeky chick that pops out of an Easter egg.

£2 per child, suitable for children over 5 years.

P3 Floating Support Service (Housing)

Tenancy and housing support - Fourth Thursday each month, 12:30-2:30pm. Book online (www.p3charity.org/CPFSS) or call 0808 169 8099.

Cambs Skills Guidance Hub

Contact

Jason.Ramtohl@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or call 07484 021651 to make an appointment. Jason will be at Yaxley Library on Thursday 16th April, 9:30am-12:30pm.

New Bus Passes & Renewals

Please contact us at 0345 045 5225, ask at Yaxley Library or contact huntingdon.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Sue's Essentials

Yaxley Library stocks an assortment of necessities for those in need, such as toiletries and hygiene products. These are free for anyone to take. Just pop in!

Any quality unused donations would be greatly appreciated to keep our stock replenished. Thank you!

Mobile Library

Route H2 - 1st Tuesday

Tues 7th April

Folksworth
10:45 - 11:10am Elm Road

Stilton
9:45-10:30am
Stilton School

3:10 - 4pm
Outside The Talbot

As well as a large range of library books, you can get your NHS hearing batteries, replacement walking stick ferrules and dispose of old household batteries.

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/libraries/mobiles

MobileLibraries@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Yaxley Library

OPENING TIMES

Mon 3:00 - 7:00
Tue 9:30 - 5:00
Wed CLOSED
Thu 9:30 - 5:00
Fri 9:30 - 1:30
Sat 9:30 - 1:30

Renewals & enquiries:
(0345) 045 5225

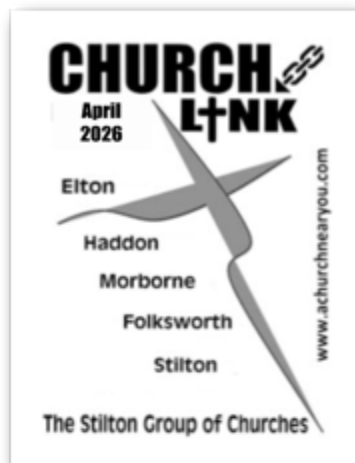
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

Contributors!



Please send us your material by the 14th of the month.

- For **SCAN** to:
scan1@stilton.org
- For **Folklore** to:
folkloreeditor@hotmail.com



As this month's Scan drops through your letterbox, the church is preparing to celebrate Holy Week, sacred days when we walk the path of Christ from the joy of welcome to the shadow of the cross, and finally to the astonishing light of resurrection. The journey is honest about suffering, yet it refuses to end in despair.

On Palm Sunday we remember the welcome the crowds gave Jesus, full of hope and expectation. Yet within days the mood shifts. Maundy Thursday brings us to the upper room, where Jesus kneels to wash his disciples' feet and shares bread and wine, saying, *"Do this in remembrance of me."* Here we see a love that serves even when betrayal and fear are close at hand.



Good Friday confronts us with the reality of the cross. The Gospel accounts do not soften its pain. Jesus cries out, *"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"* as Christ enters fully into human suffering and darkness. Many of us know moments that feel like Good Friday—times of grief, uncertainty, or loss. Yet the story does not end there. In the quiet of Holy Saturday the Church waits, holding onto hope when everything seems silent.

Then comes Easter morning. The stone is rolled away and the angel declares: "He is not here; he has risen." (Luke 24:6). Resurrection is not simply a happy ending to a sad story. It is God's declaration that life is stronger than death, love stronger than hatred, and hope stronger than despair. Holy Week invites us to bring our whole lives before God—our joys, wounds, doubts, and longings. As we walk with Christ through these days, we discover that resurrection hope is not just for Easter. It is a promise that God is always at work bringing new life, even where we least expect it.

Rev Diane.



Services in April ~ All Welcome

HADDON

St Mary's PE7 3TR



5th April *Easter Sunday*

11.15am Family Praise

12th April

11.15th Holy Communion

19th April

11.15am Messy Praise

26th April

6pm Evening Praise

STILTON

St Mary Magdalene
PE7 3RF



5th April *Easter Sunday*

11.15am Holy Communion

12th April

11.15am All Age Service

19th April

11.15am Morning Praise

26th April

11.15am Holy Communion

MORBORNE All Saints PE7 3TG

5th April *Easter Sunday* 3pm Holy Communion
with Refreshments after

19th April 3pm Evening Praise



FOLKSWORTH

St Helen's PE7 3SS



5th April *Easter Sunday*

9.45am Morning Praise

12th April

9.45am Holy Communion

19th April

9.45am Morning Praise

26th April

9.45am All Age Service

ELTON

All Saints' PE8 6RU



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HAPPY EASTER

From The Stilton Group of Churches

Unwrap the great gift of Easter with us.

Maundy Thursday

2nd April

Haddon 7.30pm - Holy Communion

Good Friday

3rd April

Stilton 10am - 11am
Service at the Pump

Elton 2pm
At the foot of the cross

Easter Sunday

5th April

Elton 9.30am - Holy Communion

Folksworth 9.45am - Morning Praise

Stilton 11.15am - Holy Communion

Haddon 11.15am - Family Praise

Morborne 3pm
Holy Communion
with refreshments after.

Easter

EGG HUNT



Saturday, 4th April

Free to all children, but they must be accompanied by an adult.
There will be refreshments available (free for children, but a normal charge for adults).

10.30-12pm
Stilton Churchyard

EASTER FLOWERS in STILTON CHURCH

Anyone who wishes to do so is invited to bring flowers in memory of a loved one or special event to the Church for Easter.



The Church will be open from 9am to 1pm on Easter Saturday. (April 4th)

Simply bring your flowers either in a vase or an arrangement, put them wherever you wish in the Church and place a card nearby saying who or what is being remembered.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Pop up Cinema

Stilton Church

Thursday 2nd April

9.30am - Breakfast
10am - Film Starts



STILTON COFFEE MORNING

In the church meeting room

Saturday 18th April
10.30am - 12.00.



Homemade cake and a raffle.

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION

1st Wednesday of the month
(1st April) Stilton
12.30pm *with a soup lunch.*

2nd & 4th Wednesday of the
month (8th April and 22nd
April) at Elton 10am
followed by coffee



SAVE THE DATE

WATCH THIS SPACE !

24th May

Cafe at the Cheese Rolling



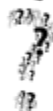
6th June

Open Gardens Folksworth



July

Summer Quiz Sheet



5th and 6th December

Christmas Tree Festival at Stilton



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