NEWSLETTER

October to December 26



New Speed Indicator Devices Installed

Following requests from residents for action to address speeding through the village, the Parish Council is pleased to confirm that two new **Speed Indicator Devices** (SIDs) have been purchased and installed, one on Tillbridge Road, the other on Saxilby Road.

Funding for this project came from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), which is used to support local infrastructure improvements and traffic-calming measures that benefit the community.

These solar-powered units can be moved periodically between sites to monitor traffic on different routes. In addition to displaying drivers' speeds in real time, the devices also collect valuable traffic data.

This information will help the Parish Council build a clearer understanding of traffic volumes and vehicle speeds across the village. It is hoped that the data will support future discussions with the relevant authorities and strengthen the case for additional traffic-calming measures.

The Parish Council would like to thank the volunteers involved in the Community Speed Watch Group for their continued efforts in monitoring speeds as part of the wider range of measures to improve road safety..

Together, we can all play a part in making our village a safer place to live, work, and visit.

From your editor



Welcome to Winter 2026! After a record hot and dry summer, we look forward to some cooler temperatures. This is the Christmas edition!! The deadline for the next one is:

Jan - Mar 27: 31/12/26

Please send your finished articles and photos to me sturtonbystow.editor@gmail.com

Thank you. *Muriel*

The **Parish Council** has been developing an ongoing relationship with **Anglian Water**, seeking to prevent any repeats of the flooding experienced in the village over the years.

A result of our consultations has been interim clearance and repairs to the mainline sewer running between Capps Island and Old Rectory Gardens. A disturbing theme found has been root ingress causing pipe collapse and blockages. Annual camera inspections of main sewers in the village has now been agreed by **Anglian Water.**

A real worry is that several sections of lateral pipework (the private sewers that are the responsibility of the homeowners) also have severe root blockages. These could cause sewerage back-ups.

Homeowners throughout the village are advised that It may be in their own interest to make sure their private sewer lines are kept clear.

Lincoln to Gainsborough 100 bus route



Spencer Court bus stop Sturton-by-Stow

Thomas Spencer, 1793-1876, built Sturton' village farm house in 1844, he added an outbuilding in 1845, and 'T1845S' was woven into the brickwork. The outbuilding was replaced by garages, c1990, and 'T1845S' was reproduced in the brickwork.

Sturton **Knit & Natter** would love to welcome you to their weekly get together s at the *Tilbridge Tastery* every **Thursday morning at 11am**. Although we love to knit, crochet or sew we also love a good chat over a drink and maybe one of the café's delicious cakes.



We work on the village post box toppers, poppies for Remembrance Day or our own projects and love to help each other if they are any lost stitches along the way!

We always make new members or visitors really welcome and would love you to join us – there's no membership fee and you don't have to commit to every week. Hope to see you soon!

Autumn Update

It's been a busy and exciting time for **Sturton by Stow Youth Club**, with lots to look forward to as we head into the autumn term.

At the time of writing, final preparations were well underway for our much-anticipated trip to Alton Towers on 5th September. We were delighted to be taking a loyal group of 20 members for a fun-filled day out. It was a fantastic experience and a great way to round off the summer activities.

Now our attention turns to our autumn fundraising events, beginning with the **Sturton & Stow Agricultural and Horticultural Society's Annual Show**, followed by our activities around **Bonfire Night.** We're incredibly grateful for the continued support of our local community, which helps us provide our young people with opportunities, activities and experiences throughout the year.

We're also delighted to announce that the votes for the Co-op Community Champions scheme have been counted and ***Sturton by Stow Youth Club Ltd has been successful!***

This means the Co-op will be raising money for the Youth Club in Sturton by Stow from 6th September 2026 until 6th March 2027.

We would encourage everyone who is part of the scheme to remember to use their Co-op membership card when shopping during the fundraising period. Every contribution, large or small, will make a difference and help us raise enough money to hopefully take our members on a bowling trip.

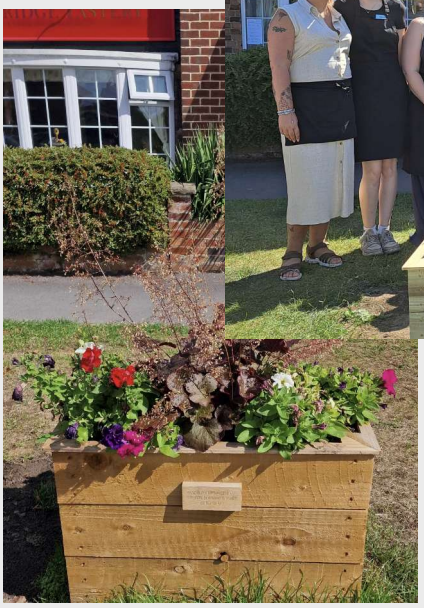
We're always looking for enthusiastic people to join our team of ***volunteers*** and help inspire the next generation. You don't need to commit every week, even one evening a month could make a real difference. Whether you can help with activities, trips or simply spend time supporting our members, we'd love to hear from you.

Full training will be provided and all appropriate checks will be carried out. If you think you could help, please get in touch by emailing sbsyc2012@gmail.com or send us a message via Facebook for more information.

The autumn term is shaping up to be a busy one, but most importantly, it's an exciting time for the Youth Club. We'll be welcoming and engaging new members, building friendships and confidence, and preparing for another year packed with activities, trips, fundraising and plenty of fun.

Thank you to everyone in our community who continues to support Sturton by Stow Youth Club – your support really does help us make a difference to local young people.

Two new planters funded by the Parish Council and handcrafted by the **Sturton and District Shed Club** have been installed outside The Tastery. Using their skills, time, and dedication, the club members designed and built the new planters that will enhance the entrance to The Tastery and provide an attractive setting for seasonal displays.





The Parish Council alongside Sturton and District Shed Club were pleased to formally present these new planters to Steve, Sally and the The Tastery team, who generously plant and maintain them throughout the year, ensuring they remain a colourful and welcoming feature at the centre of the village.

The Planters have now been filled with colour and will be enjoyed for many years to come. We hope they will continue to enhance the village environment and contribute to the attractiveness of our community for everyone who lives in and visits the village.

Sturton Indoor Bowls Club

Want some light exercise? Maybe this is the answer. We are a small club looking for new members, as we all get older, to bring some fresh sparkle into our lives.

We enjoy a lighthearted game of bowls. Everyone likes to win but we know we can't so we enjoy the evening anyway. Just two hours out of your chair spent in good company with a few laughs along the way. Cuppa thrown in when we stop for that breather. Flat shoes is the only requisite.

Monday 7 till 9pm Come a bit earlier before we draw for positions.

We hope to see you there.

Sturton Swans

As I write this it is the warmest day of the year so far. We had a very rare eclipse of the sun yesterday -so I wonder what the third event is going to be!!
This year Sturton WI is celebrating its 60 th birthday! We celebrated it in July with a BBQ in Monica's garden. We were very happy to invite members of other local WIs and a good evening was enjoyed by all.
For our August meeting we welcomed Chris Suich for a talk about her charity… Bob's brainwaves. What a very determined lady. She has set up a registered charity to help support people who are supporting family and friend with dementia.
Next month we are looking forward to a talk about the River Trent.. it is our nearest river so it will be good to know where it comes from and where it goes. Lots of interesting stops along the way I expect.
We are always more than happy to welcome new members, either just come along to a



meeting or contact our secretary Maria Scott on 0791461675

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month 7 for 730pm our next one is 8 th September
We also have an informal coffee morning first Friday of the month at The X Keys 10-12am just drop in for a chat and a catch up with friends.

Community Cafe and Well being walks



The community Cafe and well being walks that take place bi-weekly at Sturton by Stow Village Hall are attracting a growing number of people from the village and surrounding areas. Getting together with friends is such an important part of staying living a healthy life and this group is very welcoming to new people.

With support from the Village Hall Committee, volunteers organise and run sessions on Mondays from 11 am for the walk and 12 noon for the cafe, bi-weekly in October (5th and 19th) and weekly from November, 2nd Nov to 22nd February. Feel free to just turn up at the Village Hall.

If you would like to get involved to run the group we would be glad to hear from you.
Please contact Muriel (the Editor of this newsletter) sturtonbystow.editor@gmail.com

STURTON BY STOW VILLAGE HALL

Table Top Sale & Coffee Morning

First Saturday of every month

10am – 11.45am



Call in for a chat, cuppa and bacon roll.
Look through the books, bric a brac etc from the table top sales.
Free entry & rollover free cash prize draw.

Books taking up too much space, bring them along on the 1st Saturday of the month, good quality paperback books always welcome.

Whether emptying your loft or garage, had an autumn sort out, been busy crafting, selling for a charity, why not have a stall - no charge. To book a stall contact: johnleggott@btinternet.com or 07484 346094
Facebook: Sturton-by-Stow Village Hall www.sturtonbystowvillagehall.co.uk

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STURTON BY STOW VILLAGE HALL

Christmas Market & Coffee Morning

Saturday 5th December
10am – 2pm



Call in for a chat, a cuppa, bacon roll and a mince pie.
Look through the Christmas stalls.
Take part in the Christmas Raffle and other Christmassy activities.

Been busy Christmas crafting or baking, selling for a charity, there are tables still available. For more information and to book a table contact: johnleggott@btinternet.com or Gail 07718 903114

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Riny Harvey Presents
An evening of entertainment in aid of

ATAXIA

A charity close to her heart

Something old, something new, something funny, nothing blue!

Fabulous singers **Kate and Pete** with songs from stage, screen, swing and Christmas, **Quiz and Raffle**

Saturday 12th December 2026, 7:30 pm
Sturton by Stow Village Hall
Nibbles provided, bring your own drinks
Tickets £8 pp

From **Riny** 07534 635503 or **Beryl** 07462 396402

Sturton by Stow Parish Council meetings:

Weds 7th Oct 7pm, Weds 4th Nov & Weds 2nd Dec 7:30pm

All meetings take place in **The Old School Room**

All are welcome!



Indoor Bowls Club, *Village Hall*
Mondays 7pm - 9pm

Community Cafe (Warm Space) *Village Hall*
Every other Mondays 12 noon - 2pm Ongoing.

Well-being walks *from the Village Hall*
Every other Mondays 11am - 12 noon Ongoing

Bumpcamp, *Village Hall*
Tuesdays 2 - 2:45pm (term time only).
Facebook & Instagram @bumpcamp

Line Dancing, *Village Hall*
1st 3rd and 4th Tuesdays 7pm - 9pm
Beginners. Weds 7pm - 8:30pm

W.I. *Village Hall*
7pm - 9pm every 2nd Tuesday of the month

Art Group, *Village Hall*
Wednesdays 10am - 1pm

Market and Coffee Morning, *Village Hall*
1st Saturdays of the month, from 10am - 11:30

Judo, *Village Hall*
Mondays 5 - 6pm
Thurs 5:30 - 6:30 and 6:30 - 7:30 Primary/Junior;
Thurs 7:30 - 8:30 Seniors

Pilates, *Village Hall*
Tuesdays 10 am - 12 noon

Sturton & Stow History Society, *Village Hall*
Wednesdays Meetings take place 7.30pm. Admission £2. Tea/coffee/biscuits. Raffle. All are welcome!

21st Oct - St Marys Stow - the archaeological evidence - Naomi Field.
18th Nov - Lincolnshire Customs & traditions in word & song Tom Lane with musicians Terri & Nigel
16th Dec - Christmas Social - A short talk on the history of Torksey & Fledborough Bridges over the Trent by Chris Turner. Christmas quiz & seasonal refreshments.

Knit and Natter Group, *Tillbridge Tastery*
Thursdays, 11am

Zumba, *Village Hall*
Fridays 7pm to 8pm

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