

STALBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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ANNUAL TOWN MEETING Was held on 24th May. Approximately one hundred and sixty people were in attendance and very comprehensive reports

were received from local groups and organisations on their activities throughout the past year. The hot subject for the meeting was the future provision of GP services in Stalbridge. Whilst it is beyond the Town Councils remit to provide a health service members have had and will continue to have active involvement in working with the community to endeavour to achieve a solution. Copies of the report made at the meeting are available on the Town Council web site and at The Hub.

POTENTIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN STALBRIDGE

We are mid-way through the six week public consultation on potential proposed housing development sites in Stalbridge. Information and the survey is available on the Town Council web site www.stalbridgetowncouncil.gov.uk and there is an exhibition and paper surveys available at The Hub.



The consultation ends on the 3rd July, unfortunately any submissions received after this date will not be included. The results of the survey will be collated to form a report which gives the majority view of Stalbridge residents on the three proposed developments. This information will be passed to North Dorset District Council with a view to it being considered in the revision of the local plan and when any planning applications are put forward in relation to these proposals in the future.



TOWN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S SUMMARY OF THE COUNCIL YEAR 2016/17

The past year has seen a great deal of activity from some members of council. Members have helped to set up a Community run Youth Club when funding for Youth services funding was withdrawn by the County Council and in partnership with Stalbright, the Town Council put new lights on the lime tree. The freehold transfer of ownership from North Dorset District Council of Station Road car park, adjacent open land and the allotments land adjacent to Pond Walk is very near to completion.

The Hub is fulfilling the objective of its creation as a multi-purpose centre for the town. The facilities were used for 600 hours during 2016/17 marking a 35% increase on 15/16. The Hub facility has hosted library book talks, the Sunday Funday, Stalbright spotlight on commerce event, the Information Office 20th

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Anniversary celebration, Church fund raising coffee morning, the launch of the White Hart Link and history presentations including the very successful exhibition to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the close of Somerset and Dorset railway line, where for one day only steam came back to Stalbridge. On a regular basis it is used for meetings of local groups and organisation, North Dorset Clerks' meetings and liaison meetings with NDDC officers. Along with adult education, counselling, support and advice agencies, BVM Lions, and local support groups including a Mindful café.

This year we have been consulted on 40 Planning Applications. These have been considered by council and recommendations made to the local planning authority. This marks a reduction on previous years, due to the changes in planning regulations regarding permitted development rights.

SUNDAY FUNDAY 9TH JULY Returning to the Spire Stage by popular demand we have 'Right Said Bruv' and in addition this year we have 'Damian Jay' a children's entertainer. The very popular fun dog show is planned with the addition of 'Temptation Alley' and a police dog display. Catering will a BBQ, Bar, Pimms tent and delicious homemade teas.



If you would like to get involved with Stalbright please join our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Stalbright/> and message us or contact Tracey on 01963 364276.



Don't forget to take a look at the Stalbridge Community Web site for everything that's going on in Stalbridge www.stalbridge.info.

MEETING DATES SUMMER / AUTUMN 2017/18

All meetings are at The Hub and are open to public & press. Meetings start at 7pm, when the Town Council and planning meetings are on the same night the planning meeting starts at 7pm followed by the Full Council meeting.

Planning Meetings
Wednesday
July 5th & 19th
August 9th & 23rd
September 6th & 20th

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