

# STALBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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## NEW SPEED INDICATOR LOCATION STALBRIDGE

The Town Council have resolved to have a third speed indicator location on Station Road near The Sidings.



## STALBRIDGE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING at The Stalbridge Hall Wednesday 20th May at 7.30pm.

 Every English Parish must have a meeting annually. **This is not a Town Council meeting**, although it is the duty of the Town Council to organise and fund the meeting. This is a meeting for the Town, in order to allow people to come together and celebrate activities and discuss matters which effect the town. Proposals can be put forward for inclusion on the agenda and voted on at the meeting. The Town Council endeavour to ensure that all groups that we are aware of are invited to the Annual Town meeting. However, if you, or a group you represent would like to be involved or you wish to have an item listed on the agenda please contact the Clerk by 9<sup>th</sup> May.

## CARBON NEUTRAL/LOW ENERGY HOUSING IN DORSET

The Town Council have made representation to our MP Simon Hoare requesting that he lobby for legislation to be altered by the department for housing and the environment that measures to be incorporated into the Design Statements for the use of carbon neutral/low energy technologies.



## SHOULD GOLD STREET BE ONE WAY?

The Town Council have requested that Dorset Council Highways consider making a traffic regulation order (TRO) that Gold Street is one way east to west. This process includes consultation with the emergency services, other public bodies and local residents and traders. Objections are then considered through the appropriate Council procedure before it is decided how the matter will be taken forward.

## STALBRIDGE GOES WILD



The idea for planting wildflowers in Stalbridge was inspired by what some of the larger towns and cities are creating in the UK. The Town Council provided some funding and the group took advice from Dorset Council Rangers on health and safety, the best seeds to buy for the area and the group started preparing the beds at the beginning of March. The planting areas are The Pound, two eastern verges of Jarvis Way and under the Stalbridge signs on the A357. Please be patient regarding the appearance of the areas until the plants establish. If you would like to join the volunteer team please contact them via their facebook page "The Stalbridge Goes Wild Project".

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## STALBRIDGE REMEMBERS

On The Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020 The Town are planning an event at the Stalbridge Hall 2-4.30pm to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE day. The Town Council, Royal British Legion Stalbridge Hall, Players, Stalbridge Singers, Archive & History Societies will be working together on an event based on a story by adults & children of WW2 leading to Victory in Europe. Auditions for speaking and non-speaking parts will take place soon.

## POP UP EXHIBITION SPACE AT THE HUB

During the spring look out for the new pop up heritage exhibition area in the Hub Lobby. The Archive and History Societies are joining forces display our local Stalbridge history.

## TOWN COUNCIL FINANCE

The Council has set its precept of £126,500.00, resulting in an increase in charge per month of 56p pence on a band D property, for the Town Council's part of the total Council Tax bill. For provide the following services:

- Provides Street Cleaning, public WCs and town bin emptying
- Manages open spaces including 2 play areas
- Provides allotments & a car park
- Supports local groups and organisations with grant funding
- Provides a community library run by volunteers
- Manages The Hub as a community facility

In 2020/21 the following grants will be made: Stalbridge Youth Club £1,500 (Room hire rent to Stalbridge Hall). Playingfields Management Committee £2,000 (running costs to include PL insurance). St Marys Church £5,000 (Churchyard grass cutting) . Stalbridge Hall MC £5,000(resurfacing of the main hall floor)

## MEETING DATES SPRING/SUMMER 2020

Meetings are at the Hub@Stalbridge unless otherwise shown and are open to public & press. Planning meetings start at 7pm followed by the Full Council meeting. Planning meeting are subject to the Town Council being consulted on planning applications.

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| Planning Meetings<br>Wednesday<br>April 8 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup> | Town Council Meetings & Planning meetings<br>Wednesday<br>April 8 <sup>th</sup> |
| May 6 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> (Provisional)                       | May 6 <sup>th</sup> (Provisional)   |
| June 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> (Provisional)                      | June 3 <sup>rd</sup> (Provisional)  |

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