

# STALBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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## STALBRIGHT SUNDAY FUNDAY

The Third annual Stalbridge Sunday Funday was hosted by 'Stalbright', the newly formed Community Fundraising Group for Stalbridge. This Year's event, built on the success of previous events, was bigger and better than ever. Family entertainment included a 40 ft. inflatable truck assault course, crockery smash, inflatable cash grab and skittle alley courtesy of Stalbridge Scout Group. There were some beautiful classic vehicles on display and the fun dog show was a huge success with classes for the waggiest tail and best fancy dress cartoon character. Throughout the event visitors were catered for with a BBQ, Bar, Pimms tent and homemade teas, and there was a mini festival atmosphere with entertainment on the 'Spire Stage'. The event was a great success and Stalbright would like to thank everyone who was involved and supported the event. Stalbright will be supporting the next great event in Stalbridge, the annual 'Soap Box Derby' hosted by the Stalbridge Hall Fundraising Committee at Stalbridge Hall on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September. Watch this space for the fantastic Christmas events they will be hosting in Stalbridge. For updates see The Stalbright page on the Town Council web site.



## TOWN ORDERLY.

Ian would like to thank everyone who keeps in touch especially with regard to litter and dog fouling. Many people see him around or telephone or text to report issues, but you can also email him on: [Cleanstalbridge@aol.com](mailto:Cleanstalbridge@aol.com)

Ian is contracted by Stalbridge Town Council for 20 hours per week, he can usually resolve matters on the same day. In the instance of Fly tipping which unfortunately seems to be on the increase, larger items may need to be collected by Dorset Waste Partnership. Report this direct online at: <https://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/flytipping>. For assistance making online reports please pop in to the Information Office at The Hub who will be happy to help.

## NEW INFORMATION OFFICE OPENING HOURS.

The office opening hours are changing to reflect more joint opening hours with the Community Library. From the 1<sup>st</sup> September the new opening hours will be Monday & Friday 2 - 4.30pm, Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday 9.30am to 12 noon .



The Town Council are pleased to support the Community Web site for Stalbridge. The site is a central point for information in Stalbridge, including a Community Diary for reference to events. Take a look and maybe contribute <http://www.stalbridge.info/>

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## **HELP NEEDED MANAGING THE STALBRIDGE NATURE RESERVE & TRAILWAY** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Morning of every month.

Contact Nick Brown 01963 362476 or 364201.

## **WALKING ON FOOTPATHS AROUND STALBRIDGE**

Do you enjoy walking in the countryside with your friends, family and perhaps your dog? If so, you will know how annoying and inconvenient it can be to come across a gate which has been padlocked, or a damaged stile or overgrown path. However, have you ever thought about why these things happen? We are



so fortunate in this country to have the network of public rights of way that we do – footpaths and bridleways being the most common - but these are all on someone else's land, and have to be maintained. We – users of the public rights of way – can help to keep them open and clear of obstructions by recognising that as well as rights we also have responsibilities. So please when you go out for that walk, keep to the waymarked path, close gates (when they should be), keep your dog under close control, leave no litter (that includes dog mess bags) and report any obstructions, broken stiles etc. to the TC or on the DCC website.

(<http://mapping.dorsetforyou.com/rightsofway/reportproblem/>). If you would like to become involved with maintaining our local paths, please contact the Town Clerk. If you would like to know more about any of the above, please contact Jan Wardell Stalbridge TC ROWLO.

**PRIVATE BOUNDARIES WITH TREES OR SHRUBS THAT BORDER FOOTPATHS** If your boundary hedge borders a footpath please ensure it is maintained on both sides and does not overhang, or encroach onto footpaths.

## **MEETING DATES      AUTUMN / WINTER 2016**

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  
October 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>  
November 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>  
December 14<sup>th</sup>

Town Council Meetings & Planning meetings  
Wednesday  
October 5<sup>th</sup>  
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