

STALBRIDGE TOWN COUNCIL QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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CO-OPTION OF A NEW MEMBER

We have a casual vacancy and will be looking to co-opt a new member in the near future . If you would like to know more about the role of a Town Councillor and what the Council does or you would like to be considered for co-option please contact the Clerk.



DORSET COUNCIL RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2022-2032

Dorset Council want to hear from the Dorset wide community – all ages and interests – and various organisations (user groups, landmanagers and wider interest groups) so they can develop an improved network of paths that are easy and enjoyable to use for as many people as possible.

Your views are really important – They need to know what it is you love about using Dorsets paths and which paths you use - but they also want to know about what isn't so great and your ideas to address this.

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/rights-of-way-consultation>

DORSET COUNCIL HOUSING REGISTER RE-REGISTRATION

After 26th July 2021 if you are currently on the Dorset Council housing register you will need to re-apply on a new website to create an account and re-register.

<https://www.dorsetcouncilhomechoice.org.uk/>

Re-registration applications need to be completed by 1 October 2021.

For more information visit <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/housing/housing/re-registration-process> or call the housing team on 01305 221739.

WELCOME TO A NEW MEMBER



Paul Hancock is Dorset born, has lived in Stalbridge for the past 8 years and currently works part time locally. He is married with 2 children and 3 grandchildren. He served in the Royal Air force for 8 years and his longest serving position was with Bournemouth Borough Council as Head of service grade responsible for fleet and facilities. Paul would like to have a greater voice in how Stalbridge meets the pressure of growth it faces in the future whilst trying to retain it's sole and identity. He is looking forward to contributing to the effective and efficient running of the town.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN FOR STALBRIDGE

Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area.

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They can choose where they want new homes, shops and offices to be built, have their say on what those new buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided, and grant planning permission for the new buildings they want to see go ahead. Neighbourhood planning provides a powerful set of tools for local people to plan for the types of development to meet their community's needs and where the ambition of the neighbourhood is aligned with the strategic needs and priorities of the wider local area. If you are interested in being involved in the team, please contact the Clerk.

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK



Mrs Natalie Eastgate joined as Assistant Town Clerk in August. She moved to Stalbridge in February 2020 after relocating from Kent. She is married with 2 daughters who attend the local primary school. Having previously worked in retail and administration she is looking forward to finding out about local government.

STALBRIGHT The group met in September and started to make plans. They will be working with the Mens Shed at the Gugg to make a display for the 100th Anivirsary of the Royal British Legion and will be decorating the town with hand made poppys . They will again be asking residents on the A357 to join in with "light up Stalbridge" for Christmas and on Friday the 3rd December there will be an event to light the lime tree on The Ring and a Charity Fayre at the Scout Hut. The Stalbridge creative part of the group have an exciting Chistmas project, watch this space for further news. The ongoing work of this group depends on people , if you would like to join Stalbright and help them make Stalbridge sparkle please contact the Clerk.



HAVE YOUR SAY Members of the public are very welcome at Town Council meetings to speak during open forum. For the time being we are asking those wishing to attend to register in advance with the Clerk.

MEETING DATES AUTUMN/WINTER 2020/21

At present Town Council meetings are being held at the Stalbridge Hall
Full Council meetings start at 7pm

Planning Meetings
Temporarily postponed
Minor planning delegated to the
planning & opens spaces advisory
group

Town Council Meetings & Planning meetings
Wednesday
October 20th
November 17th
December 15th

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