



As readers will be aware, this is the penultimate issue of **Stamfordham Communicator**, after a generally successful sixteen-year run.

I would like to thank all those involved in producing and distributing it over that time. When I distributed the early issues alone, it took me over two hours to complete, so I was extremely grateful to those local people who gave their time to help out. Thanks go, in no particular order (and if I've missed anybody – apologies!) to Pat N., Alice, Bill, Josh, Susan (Scots Gap Medical Group), White Medical Group, Stamfordham First School, Margaret N., Carol & John A., Anthea, Lorna, Lindsay & Anne, Gordon E. and Sue N.

Thanks also to Colin, proprietor of Ponteland Print, who, as our printer from the beginning, has been a most obliging and helpful person to work with.

The financial side (basically part of your Community Charge!) was facilitated by Stamfordham Parish Council, and we are grateful to all the commercial advertisers and many private donors, who helped to reduce the printing costs by their contributions. As I write, I hope that SC will continue in some form - possibly under a broader umbrella, by being combined with *Spirit in the Community*. I hope that by next month I may be able to include more information on this proposal.

*Dave Stanley, Editor.*

## Hexham Male Voice Choir

# 70<sup>th</sup>

## Anniversary Concert

## Hexham Abbey

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>. October**  
**7.00 p.m.**

### Guest Artistes:

**Lee Falkingham (Bass)**  
**Katie Oswell (Soprano)**  
**Ovingham & District Choir**

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THE MONTH  
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## CRAFTY REIVERS

This month we will meet in  
**Stamfordham Village Hall**  
**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 10am - 3pm**

All crafters welcome. Bring a packed lunch and your  
chosen craft. This is a supportive self help group.  
Cost £3 to members and £6 for visitors to cover room  
hire and refreshments.

## Ponteland Wildlife Group

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, Phillip and Alison Hanmer  
will give a talk on "New Zealand North to South -  
Dodging Earthquakes"  
at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church Hall, Ponteland.  
Admission £2 including refreshments. Open to all.

## STAMFORDHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October  
**GERTRUDE BELL – THE DESERT QUEEN**  
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## STAMFORDHAM ART GROUP

Meetings are in the Village Hall on Tuesday afternoons from Noon until 3pm (to avoid driving home in the dark).

This year's sessions started on 3<sup>rd</sup> January.

It is a group of friendly artists of all abilities, who enjoy the opportunity and discipline to meet regularly to work, compare, discuss and learn from others.

There is no tutor, but anyone painting alone or wishing to rekindle the urge to paint again will be welcome and given encouragement and support if wanted.

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## Making Poppies In The Swinburne Arms Stamfordham

**3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month From 7.30 PM  
Starting Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

Sally Hutt (crochet) and Sue Parker (knitting) will be available to help anyone wanting to learn to knit or crochet Poppies. We will have patterns and some spare equipment.

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As last year, there are some plain red shoe boxes ready for collection from The Old Vicarage, Stamfordham. These are easy to decorate! Otherwise, would you support this very worthwhile cause by covering a shoe box and filling it with toys, etc as directed by the form enclosed in the October 'Spirit of the Community' or available from the Church, Village Hall and Village Shop.

Completed boxes will be gratefully received at The Old Vicarage between 31<sup>st</sup> Oct. and 17<sup>th</sup> November.

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## HELPING HOMELESS WOMEN: NORTH EAST CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN

A collection of comfort packs for homeless women in the North East at Christmas is being made, and any contributions from Stamfordham of the following items would be very welcome.

Toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shower gels, and small samples of unused hotel bath gels etc., hand creams, moisturisers, shampoos, conditioners, body lotions, small hairbrushes, hair bobbles, feminine hygiene products, tissues, nail polishes, lip balms, roll on deodorants and items such as socks, small chocolate bars, cuppa soups etc. and a Christmas Card with a stamp.

Restricted items - no aerosols, sharp objects and no items containing alcohol.

Any contributions would be very gratefully received at The Old Vicarage, Stamfordham.

*Jacqueline Nicholson*

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Steve Noble ☎ 886223 ✉ [consultsnoble@aol.com](mailto:consultsnoble@aol.com)

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## Notice of Meeting

A meeting of the Parish Council will be held in the Village Hall at 730pm on  
**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

## Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018
3. Matters arising from the Minutes, not otherwise on the Agenda
4. **Planning Matters: Applications received**
  - 18/02763/FUL: 12 Grange Road, proposed alterations to change doctors surgery back to original use of a residential dwelling**Applications approved:**
  - 18/01605/FUL: Mill Lodge, Dalton – new dwelling and garage
5. Benches
6. Village Green trees – to report on progress with registering TPO's
7. To receive update on findings from ROSPA annual play area inspection report
8. Local Transport Plan 2019-2020
9. Notice of Parish Council being reported to ICO
10. Financial Matters: **Invoices to authorise:** BDO, external audit fee - £240.00; C Miller – salary/expenses - £497.52; HMRC – PAYE - £104
11. Audit of Accounts year ending 31/3/18
12. County Councillor's Report
13. Correspondence: County Council - disposing of hazardous waste; County Council – notice of Annual Town and Parish Conference 11/10/18
15. Speeding traffic concerns through Harlow Hill/installation of interactive speed camera
16. Other business admitted by the Chairman as urgent
17. To confirm the date of the next meeting

Items for **£**195 – the last - to Editor  
by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October, please.

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