



FAREWELL COMMUNICATOR

After 195 issues the *Communicator* has been laid to rest, but it is hoped that it will come to life again maybe in a different format.

The Parish Councillors, present and past, give very many thanks to David Stanley for his idea to start the publication and also for his hard work in producing it monthly and persuading people to deliver it in the Village.

His Moan of the Month when included will be sorely missed, together with all the Village news items and adverts for work.

Again, David, many thanks.

Edward Trevelyan

Chairman

Stamfordham Parish Council

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The family of Mrs Isobel Burn have kindly donated a new bench in memory of their mother. This bench will replace the existing one at Bridge End. The Parish Council would like to thank the Burn family for their generous contribution to the Village.

VILLAGE HALL CLEAN UP

Many thanks to all the people who turned up on Sunday 30th September afternoon to give the surrounds a good tidy up.

A great effort by all -

Edward Trevelyan
Treasurer, Village Hall

Advanced Notice

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Ponteland Wildlife Group

Tues. 6th Nov. Paul Morrison will give a talk on "Coquet Island - a Special Place for Birds"

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Stamfordham Parish Council

Minutes of meeting of held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 20th September 2018

Those Present Cllr Trevelyan, Chairman; Cllrs Boylan, Scratcherd; County Cllr V Jones; C Miller (Clerk), one member of the public.

1. **Apologies for absence** Cllrs Bushby, Sharp and Wilson
2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** held 19th July 2018 were agreed as a true record.
3. **Matters arising from the Minutes, not otherwise on the Agenda**
 - No response had been received regarding problems encountered at Cyclone event.
 - Clerk had written to resident regarding retaining fence and tape had now been put in place. However, it was agreed to recontact the resident to state the Parish Council note the tape but believe something more substantial is required.
 - Council to consult all residents from No 5 Widdrington Drive onwards regarding street lighting.
 - Karbon Homes had carried out grasscutting to high standard with letter of thanks sent from Cllr Boylan.
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 – no objections.
 - 18/03225/FUL: Whittle Dene Treatment Works Harlow Hill – erection of kiosk within Water Treatment Works facility – no objections.

Applications approved: 18/01605/FUL: Mill Lodge, Dalton – new dwelling and garage.
5. **Benches** Contractor to look at bench repairs and memorial seat to be installed by family.
6. **Village green trees – to report on progress with registering TPO's** Photographs of trees had been taken and species identified – Clerk to forward information to County Council. 400 trees to be planted at playing field and there maybe an option for Parish Council to put some of these along the broad verge at South side of Bridge End - County Council Highways to be contacted for permission.
7. **To receive update on findings from ROSPA annual play area inspection report** Problem with seesaw with Komplan providing replacement, however there are ongoing issues as they will not pay for installation costs and legal advice may have to be sought. Clerk advised monthly play area checks should be carried out - Cllr Trevelyan confirmed he is actioning this.
8. **Local Transport Plan 2019-2020** It was agreed to include school keep clear markings; bus stop markings; and resurfacing of pedestrian pathway over bridge on River Pont.
9. **Notice of Parish Council being reported to ICO** To be taken off agenda.
10. **Financial Matters: Invoices authorised:**

15.8.18	22226	Stam Communicator	£100.93
15.8.18	22227	Stam V Hall, meeting room rent	£12.50
14.9.18	22228	Mr J Knowles, grasscutting	£108.00
16.9.18	22230	Stam Communicator	£69.79
20.9.18	22231	C Miller, salary/expenses	£497.52
20.9.18	22232	HMRC, PAYE	£104.00
20.9.18	22233	PKF Littlejohn, audit fee	£240.00

Audit of Accounts year ending 31/3/18 External audit report had been received to state the AGAR had not been accurately completed before submission for review. The figures in Section 2, Boxes 4 & 6 of the prior year end current year comparative column are incorrect – Box 4 should comprise all payments made in relation to the employment of staff including only employment expenses which are benefits, but not items of reimbursement for stationery and postage. Prior year end 2016/17 Section 2 Box 4 should read £1170 and Box 6 should read £26941 respectively, with amendments to be corrected in the prior year comparatives when completing next year's AGAR. The Parish Council did not restate the 2016/2017 figure when revaluing assets in Section 2, Box 9.
11. **County Councillor's Report** North of Tyne Devolution involves funding of £20million over 30 years, and will also include an education and rural challenge; Borderlands scheme reported which covers Cumbria, City of Carlisle, Dumfries and Northumberland encompassing digital/employment issues; Great Northumberland scheme had come to an end; Health & Wellbeing Strategy consultation had been carried out; Northumberland and Cornwall in a race to become the best tourist destination in Great Britain, votes can be placed on-line; Speed indicator light had flashed at County Cllr, however it is out of order.
12. **Correspondence:** County Council - disposing of hazardous waste; County Council – notice of Annual Town and Parish Conference 11/10/18
13. **Speeding traffic concerns through Harlow Hill/installation of interactive speed camera** Parishioner had requested a further speed survey and police had accepted there is a problem. Parish Council would have to take over maintenance should County Cllr fund purchase of interactive signage.
14. **Other business admitted by the Chairman as urgent** Annual bonfire night celebrations to be held on Saturday 3rd November 2018; Communicator is terminating after the next issue and Cllr Trevelyan circulated a thankyou notice to be put on the front page, which was agreed as acceptable.
15. **To confirm the date of the next meeting** to be held on Thursday 15th November 2018 at 7.30pm in Stamfordham Village Hall. The meeting closed at 8pm.

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'Launch of the Manor' - new register documents of rural life in Northumberland

A comprehensive register of details about hundreds of 'Manors' in Northumberland has been launched this week by Northumberland Archives, part of Northumberland County Council.

The Manorial Documents Register for Northumberland was launched in The Great Hall at Hexham Abbey in the presence of invited guests including His Grace the Duke of Northumberland and Professor Paul Harvey, chair of the national advisory panel for manorial records.

Bringing the register up to date has been part of a national project, carried out locally by Northumberland Archives and funded by The National Archives and The Federation of Family History Societies.

The manorial system began in the 11th century and provided a framework for the lives of much of the rural population of England. The lord of the manor had the right to hold a court for his local tenants to facilitate management of the manor as a social and economic unit.

The court business was recorded on the court roll and early manorial courts used pieces of parchment which were stitched together to form the roll. Many other manorial documents were produced which have been identified and recorded during this project.

Records date from the 13th century and contain information on family and social change, industrial and agricultural development, local government, land ownership, crime, housing and property.

Northumberland had 396 manors and 39 baronies and records have been documented for 274 of these. The Register remains open so that newly discovered documents can continue to be added.

Cllr Cath Homer, cabinet member for culture, arts, leisure and tourism at Northumberland County Council welcomed guests to the launch of the Manorial Documents Register. She says: "The launch of the register for Northumberland is the culmination of three years of work by Northumberland Archives staff, and has led to the discovery of many fascinating and previously unknown records

"The register holds a wealth of information on social and urban development, business, family names, land and property ownership, finance, diet, agriculture and even crime, from medieval times to the twentieth century.

"These will be of interest to many people from academics to private researchers, which is why we have invited people from a number of areas, including Universities and community history groups to the launch.

"We are also grateful to many depositors of information for the register, some of whom are also in the audience today.

"We are very keen to promote these collections and increase awareness of the manorial records as an important resource for the history of the people and communities of Northumberland. That is why work doesn't stop here, and we are in the process of submitting a funding application to the Heritage Lottery Fund to support an outreach project that would involve workshops, volunteer transcription, social media, a travelling exhibition and school activities."

The register is fully accessible online on The National Archives Discovery site at discovery.nationalarchives.gov.uk/manor-search as well as in a catalogue at Northumberland Archives, where a dedicated manorial space is planned in the search room.

For more information about Northumberland Archives visit: www.northumberlandarchives.com

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Starting Tuesday 17th July 2018**

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Completed boxes will be gratefully received at The Old Vicarage between 31st Oct. and 17th 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

☎ 01661 886272

Stamfordham Bonfire & Fireworks

The annual bonfire and fireworks will be held on Saturday 3rd November
Bonfire will be lit at approx. 6pm with the fireworks to follow

Hog Roast and Hot dogs will be available

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We are still looking for help on the night with collection buckets.
These collection buckets are an important part of the fundraising to help fund the future events.

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Breakfast Event, 8.30am, Saturday 20 October
with guest speaker
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Jim is married with three grown-up sons and two granddaughters, and is a member of Jesmond Parish Church.

Perspectives. We usually meet on the last Saturday of the month (Sep-Nov, Jan-Apr) at 8.15 for 8.30am, to 10am, for breakfast followed by a speaker and opportunity for questions. (*Or the next Saturday, to avoid school holiday clashes.)*

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10.50am
Service of Remembrance
at the **memorial in Matfen** including a time of silent remembrance, followed by candle lighting in Holy Trinity Church.

Continuation of Stamfordham Communicator

The *Spirit in the Community* committee are meeting in the next few weeks to discuss how *The Spirit* could become broader in nature and hopefully fill some of the gap that will be created now the *Communicator* is finishing.

If changes are possible, it is likely to be the December issue when they take place.

Stamfordham Parish Council

The Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Thursday 11 October 2018 were not available as SC went to print.

The meeting was called to consider Planning West of Brewery Close: Planning Application No. 18/03407/FUL : Construction of five new-build two-storey detached dwellings with three detached garages and associated access.

The objections the Council sent to NCC Planning Dept. are summarised here:

- 1 The development would be on an area liable to flooding, creating a significant risk to dwellings within the development and also to existing dwellings on the north side of the river where serious flooding has occurred previously.
 - 2 The County Council Local Plan recognises the significance of the land as green belt, stating that it should be protected (SMC 4). This is further supported by the National Policy Framework.
 - 3 The site is a significant element of the wild-life corridor supporting a wide variety of species with more than 40 different birds observed on the site.
 - 4 There is some evidence of the land in question being instable with earth movement witnessed by residents over the last 20 years.
 5. The proposed access road onto the B6309 to the site is in a dangerous location and would be on a blind corner and on a crest, providing poor sight lines and a hazard for motorists. The access would be the third junction onto the B6309 in a very short distance.
 - 6 Residents of Brewery Close will suffer loss of privacy due to the raised aspect of the site in relation to their properties. There is also a concern of loss of light in the evenings as a result of the scale of the development.
 - 7 Concern about the adequacy about the number of car parking spaces as most houses will probably have at least three cars resulting in possible parking on the B6309 causing more hazards to motorists.
 - 8 The Parish Council believes the proposal will result in over-development within the village. The village would be in danger of being subject to urban sprawl which would not be in keeping with the village identity.
 - 9 Inadequate space for up to 15 bins for collection, as residents will probably have one normal bin, one recycling bin and one garden waste bin.
 - 10 If the application is granted, there is concern about the method of removal of the increased depth of 1.5 metres. Also how the increase in depth is going to be monitored.
 - 11 If given approval, there should be a condition that no construction vehicles including cars should be parked on the B6309
- [Chairman] I trust you will give due consideration to the objections raised by the Parish Council and I anticipate the outcome of your deliberations with interest.

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Any member of the public who wishes to see the details of this application may do so at the following link (it is 'live' in email and web versions), but by the time you read this, it may be too late if you wish to send comments, as these are believed to be cut off at 16th October.

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