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Dates for your diary

Tuesday 7th January – Ponteland Wildlife Meeting
Wednesday 8th January – WI - Blagdon Gardens c1930 -Mike Smith
Saturday 25th January – Crafty Reivers
Saturday 25th January – Burns Night

Lots going on in Stamfordham!

Don't forget the regular weekly activities, too:

Art Club – Tuesdays Carpet Bowls - Mondays
Toddlers – Mondays Young Farmers Club - Mondays
Pop-Up Café – Thursdays Karate – Wednesdays
Yoga – Tuesdays

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Defibrillator Appeal**

A MASSIVE thank you to everyone who has supported this project. You have donated so much that we can now also afford Defibrillator Paediatric Pads for use on children from 1 yr - 8 yrs as well as ensure that annual training is carried out. Any further funds will be kept to ensure the unit is always ready for use but let's hope it's never needed.

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Wool Crafting In The Swinburne Arms Stamfordham

3rd Tuesday of the Month
From 7.30 pm

As we enjoyed making poppies so much, we have decided to continue meeting in the Swinburne Arms one evening a month for those that want to join us. I can help those wanting to learn to crochet and others are willing to help with knitting.
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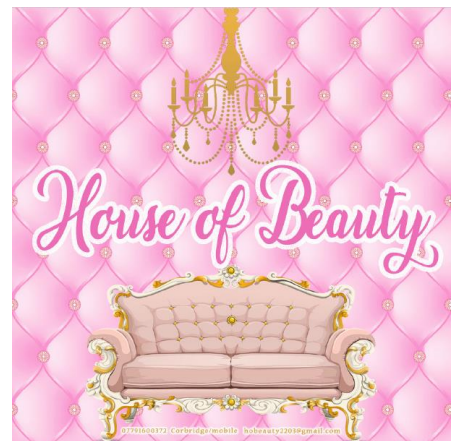
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Stamfordham WI

8th January- Blagdon Gardens c1930
Speaker: Mike Smith

Stamfordham Village Burns Night

Traditional Burns Night complete with haggis, neeps and tatties, piper, addressing the haggis, and ceilidh...come and join us for the celebration!

25th January 2020
7pm in Stamfordham Village Hall

FREE to reserve your places or table – donations welcome on the night!

Contact Revd Rachel to book places
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Email. r.scheffer@newcastle.anglican.org



STAMFORDHAM FOOTBALL CLUB WE NEED YOU!!

If you are interested in playing football on Sunday mornings for Stamfordham, please contact:

Ross on 07901 119282

or

email: stamfordhamfootballclub@gmail.com

Kick Off. Tea, coffee and snacks available before, during and after the match.

NEXT HOME MATCH: 19th January KO 10.30am

Pont News & Views

Always see the latest issue first on the Town Council website at
ponteland-tc.gov.uk

Crafty Reivers

Meetings at Stamfordham Village Hall in 2020
***** 10.00am – 3.00pm

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.

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Gill Blissett

STAMFORDHAM POP UP CAFE THURSDAYS 2pm - 4pm

Huge thanks go to the people who bake and help to run the cafe and also to those who come along and support this venture. If there is anyone who would like to be part of this Pop Up team by baking or being on duty every now and again please call me.

Charlotte 07554614162

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People who have signed up for the scheme are reminded that their orders should be in during the first seven days of the month, except July when no orders are taken, to either

Roy Hollis ☎ 886343 ✉ royanhollis@gmail.com

or

Steve Noble ☎ 886223 ✉ consultsnoble@aol.com

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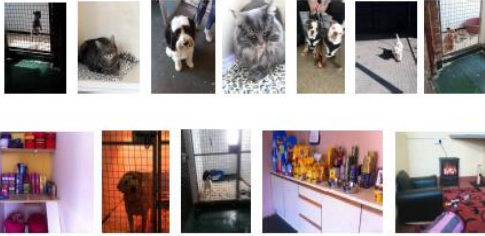
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STAMFORDHAM ART GROUP


Meetings in the village hall
Tuesdays 10.00am – 1.00pm

PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES

The next sessions start on **7th January 2020** and cost £30 for the 12 weeks.

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.

Anyone interested should contact our Secretary
Norman Lees on  01434 633894

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Ponteland Wildlife Group Meetings

On Tuesday January 7th Jamie Dines will give a talk on "British Divers Marine Mammal Rescue on the North East Coast" at 7.30pm in St Mary's Parish Centre, Thornhill Road, Ponteland. Admission £2 including refreshments. Open to all.

On Tuesday February 4th Graham Sorrie will give a talk on "Keeping Morpeth's Skies Alive – Morpeth Swift Conservation" at 7.30pm in St Mary's Parish Centre, Thornhill Road, Ponteland. Admission £2 including refreshments. Open to all.

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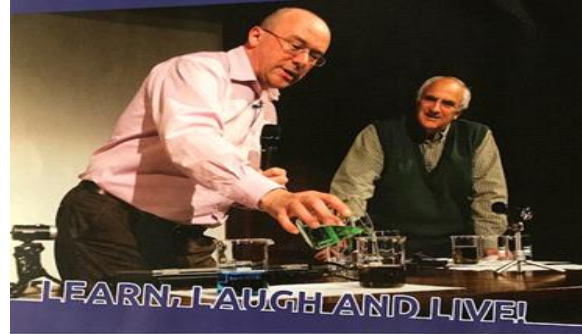
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Have your say on the future of library services in Northumberland

People in Northumberland are being asked for their views on the future shape of library services in Northumberland.

The county council has launched a public consultation, which went live today Wednesday 18 Dec, asking for people to submit their comments and ideas of how the service should be delivered in the future.

The consultation is open to all, whether they are a regular library user or not, and the council is also engaging with schools in order to get the opinion of youngsters in the county.

People have until March to respond to the questionnaire which is available at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NCCLibraryConsultation> and as a paper copy in all libraries in the county.

It is hoped the consultation will help identify the most valued aspects of the service and the barriers to library use across the county. The results of the consultation will help the council focus on how the service is delivered in the future.

As a statutory service the council is required to carry out a public consultation exercise if changes to the service are proposed.

Cath Homer, cabinet member for Culture, Arts, Leisure and Tourism at the county council said: "Northumberland's library service has undergone many changes in recent years, however we feel that now is the time to take a thorough look at the service and make sure that it is serving the needs of our communities both now and into the future.

"We have been committed, since bringing the service back into the council in 2017, to building a stronger and more consistent service, but we now need to ensure that we understand what people value about their library and what they think we could do more of, or improve.

"This consultation will offer people the opportunity to have their say to help us design a library service that works for all. Even if you're not currently a regular user of the service we want to hear from you to understand what could be done to encourage more people to use their library."

A series of drop-in sessions will also be held for residents to ask questions or provide verbal feedback.

To find out when and where the drop-ins will be held go to www.mylibrary.co.uk

Crafty Reivers

Meeting at Stamfordham Village Hall 2020

Saturday Jan 25th

10am to 4pm

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

JUMBLE SALE!!

WILL YOU BE HAVING A CLEAR OUT AFTER CHRISTMAS?

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More details about the Jumble Sale nearer the time but all proceeds will be shared by Stamfordham Primary School

and

Stamfordham Playing Field & Village Hall.

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Crafty Reivers

Meetings at Stamfordham Village Hall 2020

Jan 25th, Feb 22nd, March 28th, April 25th,

May 23rd, June 27th, July 25th, August 22nd, September 26th, October 24th, and November 28th,

10am to 4pm

There is no meeting in December as this is Boxing day

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