

Stamfordham Communicator

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Dates for your diary

January 2023

Tues 3rd Jan - Stamfordham Art Group (every Tuesday 10am-1pm)

Fri 6th Jan - Frosty's Fish & Chips 4.30-7.00pm

Wed 11th Jan - WI (flower arranging) at 7.30pm Village Hall

Sat 28th Jan - Crafty Reivers Village Hall 10am-4pm

Sat 28th Jan - Burns Supper (booking essential) Village Hall

Every Tuesday - Stamfordham Art Group, Village Hall 10am-1pm

Every Thursday - Stamfordham Warm Hub, West Room 1-5pm



HAPPY NEW YEAR

To you all



**Stamfordham
Pop-Up Cafe**

CLOSED

**Reluctantly there will not be a
POP UP CAFÉ in January or in
February**



**Stamfordham
Pop-Up Cafe**

CLOSED

Thank you to everyone who has been involved in the POP UP CAFÉ in 2022 whether you were volunteering, baking or a customer. It will return in March.

And wishing you all and happy and healthy New Year!

Stamfordham Women's Institute

Wednesday 11th January 2023 at 7:30pm

Flower Arranging





Stamfordham Warm Hub

Is open for anyone needing a snug place every Thursday afternoon from 1pm until 5pm in the West Room of the Village Hall throughout the winter.

Anyone is welcome to come along, have a hot drink and a biscuit, a warm by the radiator and some company.



STAMFORDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Following the effects of storm Arwen, the Parish Council are working on a Resilience Plan to help cope with any future disruption to resident's lives on this kind of scale.

When something of this magnitude occurs the County Council and Emergency Services are absolutely swamped with requests for help. Immediate and short-term assistance may be in the hands of residents until the more experienced help can arrive.

Please read and keep information that will be distributed to each household

Arrangements are being made to accommodate anyone who needs to evacuate their home to a place of safety. In the event of this happening it may be an idea to have a list of any essentials you must remember to take with you such as medication.

Volunteers are essential to making such a plan work. If you are able to offer assistance with anything on the following list your details would be very welcome. All information would be held in the strictest confidence and not passed to any unauthorised person or persons.

First aiders – certified / Doctors / Nurses

Volunteer – Hosts

Volunteer – 4x4 / Tractor drivers

Chainsaw operators

Caterers/cooks

Please contact Linda Boylan Chairman lindaparishcouncil@gmail.com or 01661 886612 if you require further information or are willing to volunteer. Or contact any Parish Councillor.

Stamfordham Village Hall Heritage Project

The Stamfordham Playing Fields and Village Hall Committee has been successful in joining the Community Action Northumberland (CAN) Village Halls Project funded by the Heritage Lottery. The aim of the project is to research the history of our village hall.

Thank you to all those that have already joined us to undertake oral histories. There is still time for more if anyone is interested.

*** Photographs needed ***

We have been going through old documents but would love more photographs of current or past activities that take place in the hall to make a display. Please let us know if you have anything that you would be willing to share with the project. You can bring them along to one of the POP up Cafes or contact Sally Hutt, Ian Lawson, Charlotte Hancock or Tanya Merridew to let us know what you have.

Thank you.

Sally Hutt 01661 886442 sally.hutt64@gmail.com

STAMFORDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Is pleased to be able to report that the fencing around the parking spaces near the Bay Horse has been replaced. It is unfortunate that on more than one occasion some damage overnight occurred while the work was progressing and increased the cost by £300 more than expected.

Thank you to Capheaton Estate for their contribution and carrying out the work.



DISRUPTION TO ELECTRICITY SUPPLIES

Winter is here with the increased chance of losing our power supply. The village and surrounding area are not always all affected at one time so that small areas only may be cut off.

IN THE EVENT OF LOSS OF POWER PLEASE RING 105 AND REPORT TO NORTHERN POWERGRID

If you are a resident who needs power to provide assistance in their home or for medical equipment you need to ring 105 and register as a Vulnerable Resident to obtain a priority service. You still need to ring this number in the event of loss of power.

Stamfordham Parish Council

Stamfordham Burns Supper 2023



@ Stamfordham Village Hall
28th January 2023 7pm - 11pm
Haggis Neeps and Tatties
Toasts Speeches and Poems
Piper and Ceilidh Band
Cash Bar and Raffle



FREE to reserve a table
Email brigiddennison@btinternet.com
Donations on the night in aid of
St Mary's Church & Stamfordham Village Hall

nextdoor

Hi Peter,

Congratulations on being one of the first neighbours to join the Nextdoor pilot for Stamfordham! You've taken an important step in building a stronger and safer neighbourhood.

As of today, Stamfordham has 3 confirmed members. Your neighbourhood still needs 7 more confirmed members to fully launch. Your neighbourhood has 31 days to achieve this target.

You can help keep the momentum going by following these easy steps:

- [Become a confirmed member!](#)
- Help get the word out and [send more invitations](#) to all of your neighbours.
- [Welcome new members](#) as they join and encourage them to invite additional neighbours.

With more neighbours on Stamfordham, you can look forward to a stronger, safer neighbourhood.

If there is anything we can do to help launch Stamfordham, please [contact us](#). We are here to help.

Best,
The Nextdoor Team

*****WARNING*****

We have been alerted by a recipient of the Communicator that they are receiving emails from an organisation called "Nextdoor" and initially they thought it was something to do with the Communicator - **it is not.**

They did not register or subscribe to this, and having unsubscribed many times continue to receive the emails. (See left)

If you ever find yourself in the same situation you can make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) :-

<https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint>

And you can visit Get Safe Online here

<https://getsafeonline.org>

Perspectives Dinner, 2023
Thursday, 16th February, 6.30 for 7.00pm
at The Beaumont Hotel, Hexham



Guest Speaker

Lord John Sentamu
former Archbishop of York

Born in Uganda, he studied Theology at Cambridge and was ordained in 1979. In 2002 he became Bishop of Birmingham, and was Archbishop of York from 2005 until his retirement in 2020. He is now a crossbench peer in the House of Lords.

The evening will include a 3-course dinner (with vegetarian option; table water, tea and coffee included). There will be a bar.

£33 per person including gratuity.

Everyone is welcome *Not just men!*

This is a book-and-pay-in-advance evening, and bookings are open from the start of January. For menu options and booking instructions, visit perspectivescvfm.org.uk - you can reserve places and pay by bank transfer or cheque. You can also book and pay at our next men's breakfast at The Beaumont Hotel on 28th January (see website for details).

Perspectives. An informal gathering for men. We usually meet on the last Saturday of the month for breakfast followed by a Christian speaker and opportunity for questions. We ask our speakers to share their experiences of life and faith.



Breakfast, Conversation, Food for thought



Malcolm Warin *Surprised by God - He brought the world to my door*

In the early 2000s, Malcolm was presented with a new challenge, working for Action Foundation, a charity based at City Church in Newcastle - where he founded Action Language, a volunteer-led language school for asylum seekers and refugees.

While working there he met thousands of asylum seekers and refugees from over 200 countries and recruited a team of several hundred volunteers who provided free language teaching in Newcastle and Sunderland, as well as collaborating with other projects in the North East and across the UK.

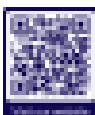
Men's Breakfast, with a guest speaker
8.30am, Saturday 28th January
at The Beaumont Hotel, Hexham

Perspectives. An informal gathering for men. 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 Christian speaker and opportunity for questions. We ask our speakers to share their experiences of life and faith.

The Beaumont is in the centre of Hexham, opposite the Abbey Grounds. Disc parking is available in the Wentworth car park (8 minutes walk) and in Beaumont Street.

Full Breakfast Buffet - £15

To book please email jonathan@perspectivescvfm.org.uk
Or visit www.perspectivescvfm.org.uk





Frosty's Fish and Chips

Stamfordham

Friday 6th January 2023

4:30 to 7:00pm

You can pre-order by phoning 07393987130

(In the days leading up to Christmas Frosty's were experiencing technical difficulties with their pans, and having some time off, but planning to be back out on the road on Thursday 5th January. If you ever need any updates about them you can find their Facebook page "Frosty's Fish and Chips" which gives up to date information)

Stamfordham Oil Buying Group

Orders taken up to the end of the previous month, i.e. for February, orders should be placed by 31st January.

Please remember that orders should be sent to both Peter Reynolds (oil@bluebark.com tel: 886855) and Roy Hollis (royanhollis@gmail.com tel. 886343). You will always receive an acknowledgement from one of us.

STAMFORDHAM ART GROUP

Meets every Tuesday in the village hall from 10.00am to 1.00pm

Starting 2023 on 3rd January

Looking for an enjoyable activity for your child that will help with confidence
fitness
motor skills
friendships and more... especially when darker nights are coming.



Stamfordham Village Hall Thursdays

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Crafty Reivers

meet in the West Room of Stamfordham Village Hall from 10am to 4pm



Dates for 2023

28th Jan	24th June
25th Feb	23rd Sept
25th March	28th Oct
22nd April	25th Nov
27th May	23rd Dec

No meetings booked for July & Aug as yet as many people away

All crafters welcome. Bring a packed lunch and your chosen craft. This is a supportive self-help group.

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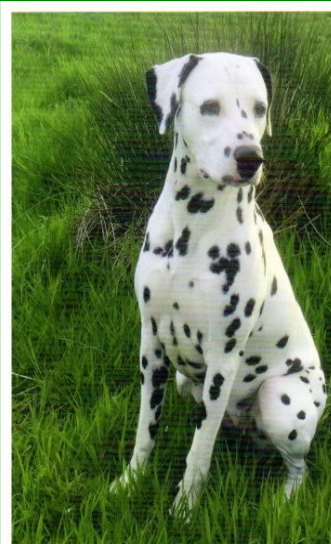
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Are you living with sight difficulties and finding it hard to read the local newspaper? Perhaps you know a relative or friend who is visually impaired who might enjoy listening to local news?

The Tynedale Talking Newspaper (TTN) sends out a free audio recording of local news each week, courtesy of the Hexham Courant. Every month there is also a new recording of The Tynedale Talking Magazine or The Northumbrian. Recordings arrive by post on a USB memory stick which can be listened to on a computer or Smart TV. No computer? No problem. TTN also has easy-to-use audio players to loan out to people who are not on the internet.

To find out more please contact Ed, the Registrar, on 07400 096937 or www.ttnweb.uk or check out Facebook.

TTN is a charity (1034087) run entirely by local volunteers.

Ponteland u3a

Meetings and talks at St Mary's Parish Centre are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 2pm.

Our next talk will be:

4th Jan - Seven Bridges : Crossing the Tyne Gorge by Michael Taylor

We welcome enquiries from anyone wishing to join Ponteland u3a - please call the membership secretary on 01661 824953

Ponteland Health Walks

Meet every Tuesday at 10.30am

outside **Ponteland Leisure Centre**

The free walks take 60 to 90 minutes on local footpaths. A good opportunity to walk safely, improve fitness and make new friends.

Assistance dogs only please.

Contact: **Gordon Allan**
on **07936 135469** for more information
or just turn up, no notice required.



There is no walk in January

If you would ever like to join us, please email or phone – sally.hutt64@gmail.com or 01661 886442



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Thanks, *Anne Williams*

Stamfordham Parish Council

There are vacancies on the Parish Council so if you are interested, please email your details to
The Clerk, Claire Miller, at
clairemillerparishclerk@hotmail.co.uk

Sycamore Counselling Service, Hexham

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted us in ways that we would not have expected. Our lives have changed considerably and the past months have presented many challenges for us all.

We are a charity running a counselling service that see clients face to face, on Zoom and by telephone - and our professionally qualified counsellors would be happy to support you towards better mental wellbeing.

We cover areas such as anxiety, depression, bereavement, stress and many others.

We offer a donations-based service in the hope that excellent counselling will be available to all.

Please visit our website www.sycamorecounselling.com or our Facebook page @sycamorecounsellingservicehexham or call 07939 49 30 30 to find out more about us, or to make an initial appointment.

Jenny Tabori – Manager. Charity No: 1179039



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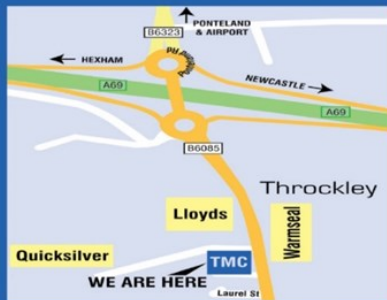
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