

Next deadline **strictly: Fri 21st March** EMAIL: [stamfordhamcommunicator@gmail.com](mailto:stamfordhamcommunicator@gmail.com)

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### Dates for your diary 2025

7th March - Frostys Fish & Chips  
 8th March - Pop Up Café/Community Breakfast, Village Hall 10-12.30  
 8th March - 'Barbie The Movie' Film & Fizz Social Night, Village Hall, 6.30pm  
 12th March - WI : 'My Unexpected Trip to Romania' by Sarah Pape  
 16th March - NUFC v LFC League Cup, Village Hall, 16:00  
 22nd March - Crafty Reivers 10am-4pm West Room, Village Hall  
 26th March - Pub Quiz, Swinburne Arms 8pm

### Forthcoming events

3rd May - Fleeting Rumours

Mondays - Baby & Toddler Group 9:30-11:30am Village Hall\*  
 Mondays - Stamfordham Singers 7.30pm St Mary's Church\*  
 Mondays - Indoor Carpet Bowls 7pm Village Hall  
 Wednesdays - Pilates 12.30-1.30pm Village Hall  
 Wednesdays - Post Office Village Hall Car Park 3.55-4.55pm  
 Wednesdays - Karate 6.30pm Village Hall  
 Thursdays - Yoga 10-11am Village Hall  
 Thursdays - Jill Errington Theatre School 3.30-5.10pm Village Hall\*  
 Third Tuesday of the month - Walking Group (contact Sally Hutt)  
 \* term time only



**Stamfordham  
Pop-Up Cafe**

Pop Up Café joins with The Community Breakfast

**Saturday 8th March 10:00-12:30**

Come and see the latest Stamfordham School to Village  
Hall Heritage Project



**Stamfordham  
Pop-Up Cafe**

Enjoy freshly made bacon or sausage rolls, homemade cake and lots of fresh coffee and lots of friendly chat.

We look forward to seeing you!

### Stamfordham Women's Institute

**12th March 7pm West Room**

Sarah Pape "My Unexpected Trip to Romania"

Competition: Prettiest Egg Cup



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I WON'T BE HOME FOR TEA**



**WE'RE GOING  
TO STAMFORDHAM VILLAGE HALL!!!**  
LEAGUE CUP FINAL 16.03.25

Sunday 16 March 2025 at 16:00



**NUFC v LFC, League Cup  
final on the Big Screen!**



**FROSTY'S FISH & CHIPS**

**Friday 7th March**

**4.30-7.00pm (remember, cash only)**

Frosty's now have a calendar on their website of their round.

You can check it here: <https://www.frostysmobilechippy.co.uk/our-round>

# We are Recruiting!

## Cricketers Needed!

- ✓ No Tea Fees
- ✓ No Match Fees
- ✓ Idyllic Ground
- ✓ Member Discounts

Our pre season indoor nets have begun  
Wednesdays 7-9 at Ponteland community primary.

Speak to Greig Taylor for further details!



**EFT**  
Group

### Appeal for baby clothes and blankets

The midwife led maternity unit at Hexham General Hospital has made an appeal for new baby cardigans and hats to fit newborn, 3-month and 6-month-old babies together with small size baby blankets. These can be knitted or crocheted but must be without holes that could trap small fingers. Machine washable yarn is preferred.

Please place donations in the box just inside the porch door at St Mary's Church, Stamfordham and your donation will be delivered to Hexham. If you have yarn that could be used by others, please place this in the box too.

Thank you.



## Graham Herford

DIY/HANDYMAN

Some garden work undertaken

If you need help with anything please call. Small jobs also welcome.

Graham Herford, Fenwick Lodge, Stamfordham, NE18 0QR

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Email: [graham.herford@btinternet.com](mailto:graham.herford@btinternet.com)



### *Crafty Reivers*

meet on Saturdays in the West Room of the village hall from 10am to 4pm

#### **Dates for 2025:**

22nd March, 26th April, 24th May, 28th June, new date - 26th July (hoping to do natural dyeing outside),  
27th Sept, 25th Oct, 22nd Nov.

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.

Sue Parker

### **Ponteland Wildlife Talks**

Our next event starting at 7.30pm at St Mary's Parish Centre

will be on **Tuesday 4th March**

**Migration of Arctic Terns**

By Chris Redfern, Emeritus Professor, Newcastle University

# NHS App & Online Access

The NHS App is a secure way for patients to **manage their healthcare online**. It allows users to :

- **Book GP appointments** and manage existing bookings
- **Order repeat prescriptions** and check medical history
- **Access medical records**, including test results and immunisation history
- **Use NHS 111 online** for health advice and triage
- **Register organ donation preferences** and access health advice

Patients can also access **GP online services** via their practice's website, enabling them to:

- Book and cancel appointments
- View their medical records
- Order prescriptions without needing to visit the practice

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George Hewitt

George is married to Jen and they have three young children, one of whom has significant additional needs. The curveball of disability has presented many challenges but also opportunities to see God at work in unexpected situations. When not at home he is an IT consultant in Durham.

Please book via <https://perspectivescvfm.wixsite.com/tyne/breakfast-booking>

Breakfast costs £14 - pay on the day



Our Annual Dinner this year is on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm in The Great Hall at Hexham Abbey. As usual we are offering a three-course dinner, for £36pp. We're delighted to be welcoming as our speaker **Rachael Maskell MP**. Rachel is Labour MP for York Central, and is Vice Chair of the Health and Social Care Health Select Committee. Last November she was one of the MPs who voted against the Assisted Dying Bill. You can read more about her on the attached poster, flyer, invitations, and copy for use in newsletters or bulletins.

**Q U I Z**

**Swinburne Arms**

**Wednesday 26th March**

at 8pm

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**Friday 21st March 2025** via email to [stamfordhamcommunicator@gmail.com](mailto:stamfordhamcommunicator@gmail.com)

I am sorry to say I cannot accept anything after this date, if you send something it will go into the following month's edition. Emergency notification emails only will be sent from the Communicator email account.

Thank you, Anne Williams

Stamfordham Church on  
the Green

warmly welcomes you to  
join us for tea and a chat



3rd Thursday of the month  
2-3pm

If you would like transport,  
please contact  
Pip: 07921 843732  
Sarah: 07754 604317

**Veronica Jones**

who is the County Councillor for  
Stamfordham, Matfen and the other  
surrounding villages, attends the  
Pop-Up Café to hear any concerns  
or issues about County Council mat-  
ters from residents, and would be  
delighted to meet you.

If you need to contact Veronica you  
can email her:

[Veronica.Jones](mailto:Veronica.Jones@northumberland.gov.uk)

[@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:Veronica.Jones@northumberland.gov.uk)



**Stamfordham Oil Buying Group**

**Please note change in contact details**

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

Please remember that orders should be sent to both [oil@bluebark.com](mailto:oil@bluebark.com) (tel: 886855) and  
[stamfordhamoil@gmail.com](mailto:stamfordhamoil@gmail.com) (tel. 07811196922). You will always receive an acknowledgement.

**Stamfordham Walking Group**



We usually meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 10am in the Bay Horse Car Park in Stamfordham.

Walks are 8-10km (5-6 miles) on public rights of way locally or further afield.

If you would like to be added to the mailing list to be kept up to date with the proposed walk for the month,  
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Stamfordham Parish Council

## PONT NEWS & VIEWS

Follow the link below to find out what is going on in Ponteland

[All editions](#)

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# WYLAM

## PLASTERING

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### STEPHEN LAVERY



## DISRUPTION TO ELECTRICITY SUPPLIES

Winter has arrived 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

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[yogatreebydiane@gmail.com](mailto:yogatreebydiane@gmail.com)



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## *Ponteland u3a*

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

Our next meeting will be:

**Wednesday 5th March:**

**Land of Ice & Fire - An Icelandic Saga  
By Kath & Harry Gilbert**

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



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## *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.

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W E S T

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## Stay connected to your Community

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?

To find out more please contact Ed, the Registrar, on 07400 096937 or [www.ttnweb.uk](http://www.ttnweb.uk) or check out Facebook.

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Vicky Herod – Manager  
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