

STOW BUGLE

THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE RESIDENTS OF STOW PARISH

Stow, Normanby by Stow, Coates by Stow, and the surrounding rural area.

STOW PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

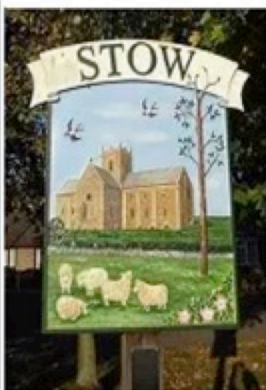
Welcome to the August - September 2026 edition of the Bugle, the Stow Parish Council online newsletter for the residents of Stow civil parish.

Your Stow Parish Councillors

Cllr Jonathan (Jonty) Waudby – CHAIR
 Cllr Rebecca Arden – VICE CHAIR
 Cllr Keith Eden
 Cllr Chris Turner
 Cllr Charles Hewitt
 Cllr John Martinson
 Cllr Clare Booth
 Nicola Culliford – CLERK

For Parish Council enquiries please contact stowparishclerk@gmail.com

An Update on St Mary's Churchyard from Stow Parish Council...



You may be aware that a proposal has been submitted to the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) to close St Mary's Churchyard, Stow. The Civil cemetery at Stow Park Road and the Churchyard extension on Stow Road in Sturton by Stow remain unaffected.

Should the MoJ accept this proposal, the Parochial Church Council will relinquish responsibility for maintenance of the churchyard and this will pass to Stow Parish Council.

We would like to make residents of the Parish aware that Stow Parish Council do not intend to take responsibility for maintenance on the basis that it will add significantly to the Parish rates. To this effect we have contacted West Lindsey District Council to agree the transfer of responsibility to them in due course.

If anyone has questions or comments about this matter please do let us know: stowparishclerk@gmail.com / 07786232578

Stow Parish Council Meeting Dates 2026/7:

- Thu 3rd September 2026
- Thu 5th November 2026
- Thu 7th January 2027
- Thu 4th March 2027

Meetings are held from 7pm at The Cross Keys. Stow

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POST OFFICE

The Post Office is now in a mobile unit, which will be parked in or near the Cross Keys car park. Opening hours are now two sessions a week. The Post Office will be at the Cross Keys:
Tuesday 9-10.30am *(Sturton 10.45 – 12.15 and Torksey 1-1.45pm)
Thursday 3 – 4.45pm (11.30 – 12.15pm Torksey and 1-2.45 at Sturton).

STOW FUN RAISERS

Poppies

We are looking for **local people to knit and crochet poppies for a Stow village display for remembrance**, Stow Fun Raisers will provide the wool/yarn. We just need lots of knitters and crocheters as we will need A LOT!!.

Bike Ride

What an incredible day! We got absolutely spoiled with the weather, and the turnout was amazing.

A massive THANK YOU to everyone who made this community event possible. We quite literally couldn't do this without you!

A special shout-out to:

Our setup crew for doing all the heavy lifting.

The prize donors & bakers for the fantastic tombola prizes and delicious cakes.

Our bike ride marshals & helpers for keeping everyone safe and on track.

Every single one of you who showed up to support the ride, eat some BBQ, and play games! Drumroll, please...

Together, we raised an amazing £342.54!

Without your helping hands and generous support, events like this simply wouldn't happen. Thank you for being such an brilliant community!



Sunday 5th July Open Gardens

On Facebook Lynda Mullally wrote:

“What an absolute pleasure it was to attend Open Gardens today. Thank you Nigel and Alice Gray of Mere House and Martin and Jill Fish, of Ivy Cottage, your gardens are stunningly beautiful and I was blown away with the amount of people who attended. Thank you to the car park Marshalls who did a great job guiding us to a space and to all the other helpers. The coffee and cake were delicious, thank you to everyone who made the cakes and worked hard to serve us. It was also lovely to see Sturton Shed Club, Dai, Mo and Alwyne. I bought some lovely jewellery made from recycled beads, thank you Lesley. All the proceeds went to charities: Marie Curie, Macmillan Cancer Support, Hospice UK, Carers Trust, Parkinsonism UK, and The Queens Institute of Community Nursing. Thank you.”



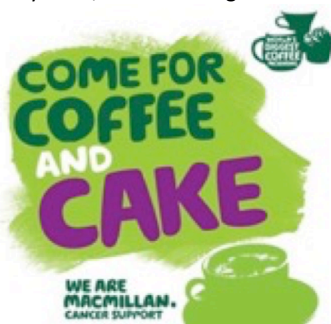
Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 25th September Cross Keys Stow 10am

As the Bugle goes to press we're still working on the details but we will be having the usual tea/coffee and delicious cakes, fabulous raffle, tombola, books (paperbacks only) and jigsaws, together with guessing games.

There will also be stalls alongside Sturton Plants.

If you have any books, jigsaws, raffle & tombola prizes to donate, or would like to provide a cake or offer to help out on the day please message Clare on [07805 057583](tel:07805057583) or speak to Hayley at the Cross Keys.

More information will be included on the Stow village Facebook page very soon, and in a village email out nearer the time.



Mobile library

1-1.45pm Ingham Road, Stow on the following dates:
29th July, 26th August, 23rd Sept., 21st Oct., 18th Nov. & 16th Dec

STOW MINSTER



Sunday 26th July at 6.00pm

Sung Compline by the Haylock Consort at Stow Minster. There is no entry fee.

Sunday 2nd August 3pm

Organ recital by Sean Maxwell.

Entry is free. His programme of music is pieces from the 17th and 18th centuries.

The following is information he has sent: Sean Maxwell, a native of West Virginia (USA), is a specialist in early music performance and has been active as an organist and harpsichordist in Austria and Portugal since 2015. Maxwell is titular organist of the Benedictine Monastery São Bento da Vitória in Porto, Portugal and has held organist positions at Baumgartenberg Abbey (Austria) and in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston (USA). Maxwell is a regular member of Musica Transalpina Baroque Ensemble, a leading period instrument orchestra in Los Angeles (USA) and with the orchestra and choir of the St. Cecilia Association of Sacred Music (Austria). As a recitalist, Maxwell has performed in more than 20 countries, including England, Scotland, USA, Canada, Austria, Germany, Poland, the Czech Republic, Italy, Spain, Portugal, and Ecuador, and will make his Asian debut this year with a recital and lecture in Tokyo, Japan.



Café Church in Sturton Village Hall

4-5pm

third Sundays: **19th July, 16th August, 20th September 2026**



With activities for children



A fresh expression of church for all ages. A great opportunity to make friends and for families to grow together spiritually.

Any questions? Call Revd Jane Foster-Smith on 01522 702427

Hosted by the Stow Groups of Churches

STURTON AND STOW HISTORY SOCIETY

19th August- William Marwood: cobbler, preacher, hangman- Adam Cartwright

16th September- The Lincolnshire Home Guard- Erik Grigg

21st October- St Marys Stow- the archaeological evidence- Naomi Field

Meetings in Sturton Village Hall @ 7.30pm.
Admission £2. Tea/Coffee/Biscuits and Raffle.

WELLBEING WALKS.

Meet Sturton Village Hall
11am.

10th and 24th August
7th and 21st September

Sturton Plants & More pop up stalls at the Cross Keys

On the 4th Friday of each month the very popular local plant suppliers Sturton Plants and More will be bringing a pop up stall to the Cross Keys Car Park for you to choose from their large range of Lincolnshire grown garden plants including some veg plants, herbs, alpines, herbaceous perennials and other plants on 28th August and 25th September between 10am and 2pm



**STURTON
BY STOW
VILLAGE HALL**

Table Top Sale & Coffee Morning Saturday 1st August & 5th September 10am – 11.45am



Call in for a chat, cuppa and bacon roll.
Look through the books, bric a brac etc from
the table top sales.
Free entry & free cash prize draw –
worth £20.

Books taking up too much space, bring them along on the 1st Saturday of the month,
good quality paperback books always welcome.

Whether emptying your loft or garage, had a winter sort out, been busy crafting,
selling for a charity, why not have a stall. No charge this month. To book a stall
contact: johnleggott@btinternet.com or 07484 346094
Facebook: Sturton-by-Stow Village Hall www.sturtonbystowvillagehall.co.uk

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WHAT'S ON

AUGUST

- 1st Breakfast Club. 9.30am Cross Keys.
- 1st Sturton by Stow Table top sale. VH 10 – 11.45
- 2nd Organ Recital. Stow Minster 3pm.
- 7th WI coffee morning. 10 -12 Cross Keys
- 10 Wellbeing walk 11-12 VH followed by 12-2pm
Sturton VH
- 11th WI 7 for 7.30pm VH
- 15th Wellbeing walk 11-12 VH followed by 12-2pm
Sturton VH
- 16th Café Church. 3.15 - 4.30pm VH
- 19th History Society, 7.30pm VH
- 26th Mobile Library 1-1.45pm Ingham Road
- 28th Pop Up Plants and more. Cross Keys. 10-2pm.

SEPTEMBER

- 3rd Stow Parish Council 7pm The Cross Keys
- 4th WI coffee morning. 10 -12. Cross Keys.
- 5th Breakfast Club. 9.30am Cross Keys.
- 5th Sturton by Stow Table top sale. VH 10-12
- 7th Wellbeing walk 11-12 VH followed by 12-2pm
Sturton VH
- 8th WI. 7 for 7.30pm. Sturton VH
- 13th Last day for items for the next edition of the
Bugle
- 16th History Society, 7.30pm. VH.
- 20th Café Church. VH. 4pm
- 21st Wellbeing walk 11-12 VH followed by 12-2pm
Sturton VH
- 23rd Mobile library 1-1.45pm Ingham Road.
- 25th Macmillan coffee morning Cross Keys 10am
- 25th Pop Up Plants and more. Cross Keys. 10-2pm.

Dates for the diary;

- 3rd October Sturton and Stow Annual Show 1.30 –
4.30. Sturton School.
- 21st October History Society, VH. 7.30pm.

Sturton Swans.

I hope you are all coping with this heat. Please take care of yourselves, family and pets.

This month we celebrated our 60th anniversary. The committee arranged a BBQ in Monica's garden. Lots of planning and lots of help with the setting up... thank you to all who helped in any way.

We were pleased to welcome some of our friends from the Trentside WI groups and hopefully everybody had a good time.

Our next meeting, second Tuesday of the month in Sturton Village Hall 7 for 7.30, is a talk on Dementia. Sadly this is becoming more frequent in this country and it will be good to learn more about it and the effect it can have on our family life

Any questions you may have about us I'm sure Maria, our secretary, will be pleased to answer. 0791461675

