

Stanwick Parish Council

March 2022 Newsletter



HM Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee Year

Welcome to the annual newsletter of the Parish Council. This is a newsletter of looking forward and celebration.

In May 2021, the Parish Council stood down for elections. The Council had been in place since May 2015 as elections had been postponed first by the proposed dissolution of Northamptonshire County Council and then by the covid 19 pandemic.

A new Council elected and formed in May 2021 and Councillor Mark Taylor was later co-opted to fill the vacant seat.

Your Parish Council has 7 members: Nick Peck (Chairman), Sylvia Glanville-Hughes, Sue Kitchener, George Konstantinidis, Mark Partrick, Julie Paterson and Mark Taylor.

The Council has devised a Four Year Plan to guide its actions over the term of this council.

Members of the Council are pleased to support Stanwick's Jubilee celebrations. See inside for more details.

When the Parish Council considered the budget for the year ahead, it was decided not to increase the amount of precept (local tax) as members of the council were fully aware that other house hold costs were likely to be increasing.

The Council has been exploring any possible angle to provide a safer crossing point over the A45 to and from Stanwick lakes including writing to Highways England, to our MP and submitting a suggestion to the North Northamptonshire Council 'levelling up' fund. It is known that Highways England undertook survey work in the autumn and the council is waiting to hear the outcome of this.

The Parish Council has purchased the paint for the refurbishment of the red telephone box. The Council is working with For the Love of Wine and the Rotary Club to turn this iconic structure into a library.

A flagpole will be installed near the war memorial to further enhance the centre of the village.

The Council has been liaising with Northamptonshire Highways for improvements to the verge on West Street and is pleased that this approach to the village has been significantly improved.

The Parish Council welcomes your ideas and suggestions. Councillors are in post to represent the views and wishes of the parish and to best do that, they need to know what you are thinking.

Contact the Council via clerk.stanwickpc@outlook.com or 01933 625616 or speak to a councillor direct.

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Stanwick Celebrates

HM Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee

2nd June to 5th June 2022

Stanwick in Bloom 2nd – 5th June

We will be holding an informal Stanwick in Bloom alongside the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. Free to enter, you will be able to add your home to the trail map.

Proceeds from the sale of trail maps will be donated to the local food bank.

There are no hard and fast rules – hanging baskets, pots, flower beds, decorate a window, decorate the house, create a scene with scarecrows – the choice is yours.

Details on how to enter will be released near the time.

Stanwick Celebrates

The Parish Council will be distributing a commemorative booklet to every household to mark the Platinum Jubilee.

It will include a timetable of the weekend events in Stanwick.

The book will give a potted history of the parish for the seven decades of Her Majesty's reign.

Look out for your copy in May.

Platinum Jubilee weekend events

Events being planned include

The Big Lunch (picnic in the park) on Sunday 5th to include a special Jubilee performance by Laugh Out Loud Theatre, bar by the Duke of Wellington and activities

Walking Carnival on 4th June that will include the unveiling of the Jubilee tree

Live entertainment and a children's fancy dress event at Stanwick Club

Cream Tea with music at Stanwick Village Hall

Burial of a time capsule and a nature trail activity at Stanwick Pocket Park

There is still time to get involved

Please contact the Parish Clerk

Stanwick Green Day

Saturday 30th April 2022

10.00 - 12 noon at Stanwick Village Hall

Everyone is invited to come along to a **free** event at the village hall, hosted by the Parish Council, which is looking at local environmental and green issues.

Have your say on

- How our carbon footprint can be reduced
- What local green spaces are important to you and why
- What can be done to improve the natural areas
- Plans for a 'natural' (green) area for the burial of ashes at the cemetery

Talk to local recycling officers, Nenescape, Stanwick Lakes and more

Refreshments will be available courtesy of Stanwick Pocket Park Group

Stanwick Green Day is the 2022 Annual Parish Meeting

Green Strategy

The Parish Council wants to tackle climate change locally and create a more climate friendly community. As a result the Parish Council will join the growing network of parishes working to combat climate change within their communities as part of a national and global call to action.

The Council has put together a strategy to guide its actions and has already started to draw up plans to improve the bio-diversity at the cemetery and the verges on Chelveston Road. It has agreed a planning policy to assess any planning application against to ensure any new builds are as sustainable as possible.

Four Year Plan

The Four Year Plan will give Stanwick's residents a clear understanding of what the Parish Council is trying to achieve and how it intends to deliver this. It details what the Parish Council intends to focus on over the next four years. The Plan will be used each year to plan activities and set the budget for the coming year

The Four Year Plan and the action plans are available to view on the Parish Council website.

Stanwick Allotments

Fancy growing your own? Fresh fruit and veg without a trip to the shops? Reducing packaging and waste?

Contact the parish clerk about having an allotment.



Stanwick Community Garden, on Raunds Road, is open to everyone to enjoy, be it to sit in the sensory garden, have a mini plot to maintain or to lend a hand generally.

The gate is not locked, so come along and see what is on your doorstep. For more information contact: Brenda on 01933 461670

Dog fouling & litter: don't let it be a blight.

Leaving dog mess in a public place is not only unpleasant and antisocial, it is also a health hazard. Dog owners have a legal duty to clean up every time their dog messes in a public place.

Authorised officers can patrol parks and open spaces and specific areas where dog fouling has been reported. You can be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of £75 if you do not clean up after your dog.

If you witness someone letting their dog foul without cleaning it up afterwards in a public place, you should report this to the dog warden with as much information as possible. For more information please contact North Northamptonshire Council or look for 'dog warden service' on their website

Neighbourhood Watch

Neighbourhood Watch can make a difference to where you live and those around you. Residents often feel more secure in their homes and the fear of crime is reduced by the knowledge that neighbours are working together.

If you would like to find out more contact our area co-ordinator Christine
christine.mackenzie@northants.pnn.police.uk



Did you know that **Stanwick Bowls Club** is nearly 100 years old? But you don't need to be nearly 100 to play there.

Located at Stanwick Recreation Ground, the Club warmly welcomes newcomers of all ages. No prior experience required.

They play outdoor in summer and indoor (short mat bowls) in the winter.

Why not give it a go?

For more information contact: Rosemary on 01933 624252



Want to get outside more, be a little bit more active and meet friendly people?

Then **Stanwick Pocket Park** is the place for you. Join members of the Pocket Park Group on Sunday mornings, once a month to help maintain this lovely open space.

For more information contact the parish clerk: Jenny on 01933 625616

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