

EAST STOKE PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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COUNCILLORS

We welcome Rebecca Cady who joined the Parish Council in September but as Sara Grayson has now moved out of the Parish another vacancy has been created. However a volunteer has responded to the casual vacancy advertised on the notice boards and this application will be considered for cooption at the next Parish Council meeting. The six councillors serving on the Council at present are:-

Barry Quinn (Chairman)	Wistaria Binnegar	Cottage,	Tel.462623
Simon Cross (Vice Chair)	Essenjays, Lane	Bindon	Tel.462232
Neill Child,	Holly Binnegar	Bank,	Tel.462770
Tib Axon,	Kerroo Stockford	Mooar,	Tel.463793
Adrian Cullinane	Binnegar Farm		Tel.462371
Rebecca Cady	1 New Binnegar	Cottages,	Tel.462530

HAWKINS TRUST

The form to register your eligibility to receive annual gifts from the Trust at Christmas and Easter is printed on the reverse of this newsletter. If you are eligible by age for either of these gifts please complete the form and return to Sue Barrett (Clerk) before 26th November. The Trustees are again providing the option of either a bottle or hamper for each eligible person for the Christmas distribution. To ensure that we are able to order and deliver on time we can only provide gifts to the people who fill in the form and return by due date.

FOOTPATH LIAISON OFFICER

Councillor Neill Child has at present temporarily taken over this role but we are still looking for someone in the Parish who is willing to monitor our 9 footpaths to ensure there are no problems. Please contact the Clerk on 481097 if you are prepared to volunteer for this role.

HISTORY OF EAST STOKE

There will be a repeat of the talk given by Professor Iain Hewitt of Bournemouth University in the Conference Room of the River Laboratory on 10th November at 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. It will also be another opportunity to view the collection of photographs of bygone days in East Stoke.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

We are hoping to produce an East Stoke Christmas card as a fundraising activity. As we are unsure how popular it would be we have ordered a limited print run. We will be offering them for sale priced at around £4 for 10 in the next few weeks.

PARISH LAND

We advise that the land owned by the Parish Council which adjoins the Stokeford Inn has now been let on an annual basis for a private purpose.

SHAPING HEALTH

We have received a newsletter from the Commission for Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) in Health requesting volunteers to join the Dorset Forum which influences decisions on local health issues. New volunteers are needed from our community to represent local opinions. Topics such as foundation status for hospitals, GP out of hours services, dentistry, waiting lists or wider health issues such as tackling obesity are examples of things discussed by PPI Forums. If you are interested contact the regional office in Exeter 01392 332100 or e-mail enquiriesw@ppih or visit website www.cppih.org.

WAR MEMORIAL

Our main application for funding to clean and repair the War Memorial will be heard next month. However if approved it is unlikely that we will get the work started this year to mark the 60th anniversary of the end of World War 2 as hoped.

VILLAGE HALL

We are in the process of decommissioning the village hall and the future of the site will be included in an action plan emerging from our Community Plan. In the interim if anyone has an interest in re-use of the old building, the caretaking hall committee would be open to offers. Please contact the Parish Clerk.

PDC RECYCLING & REFUSE COLLECTION

The new scheme has been running for almost a month now and inevitably there have been a few glitches. Although there are some things we would have thought could have been avoided. The calendar for the A352 route for example is incorrect the officers at PDC are now aware of this and amendments will be issued. If there are any other problems with calendars or households not having the right bins please notify a Parish Councillor and we will provide a consolidated response to PDC to get it put right as soon as possible. It is encouraging though that recycling rates in Purbeck have significantly improved since the introduction of kerbside collections.