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STAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

The latest meeting of the parish council took place on 23 March 2023. We were pleased to welcome our Braintree District Councillor, Richard Van Dulken to the meeting.

Elections - Parish and Council elections will take place on Thursday 4th May 2023. This year you will need photo ID when you vote. Full details can be found on the Braintree District Council website www.braintree.gov.uk or phone the Elections team on 01376 552525 or email elections@braintree.gov.uk if you have questions. Alternatively, www.electoralcommission.org.uk.

Pavilion - The pavilion is now open for the summer. If you would like to book it please contact me (details below).

Highways - As you are no doubt aware, there are many potholes on roads in and around the area. These can be reported in to Essex County Council via www.essex.gov.uk/highways.

A big thank you to all of our Stambourne Wombles who have been back out litter picking

around our village in recent weeks. What you do is much appreciated – thank you!

Defibrillator - As mentioned here previously the Parish Council is arranging for a defibrillator to be put on the Village Hall in Church Road. This will be installed in April and there will be a training session and information event taking place. Full details to follow.

Coronation - Sadly we have not had enough volunteers come forward to be able to arrange an event to celebrate the Coronation.

Our meeting dates are:

18 May 2023 (APA and AGM)

20 July 2023

21 September 2023

22 November 2023 (Wednesday)

All are Thursdays at 7.30pm unless shown otherwise.

Full minutes and agendas are available on the village website at www.stambourne.com

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Contributions for the next newsletter to Karen Crago at kcrago@btinternet.com or the post box at Tagley Farm by Thursday 25 May, please.

SILVER LINK

The dates for Silver Link at the Chapel are:

11 April, 25 April, 9 May, 23 May, 6 June, 20 June.

STAMBOURNE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

WHAT'S ON AT CHAPEL

9th April - Easter Sunday at 10:45 am

13th May - Plant Sale

Also on 3rd Thursday each month we have our **Outings Group** meeting, where everyone is invited to come for a cuppa and to share where they would like to visit in the next couple of months. We will then organise and order tickets (if necessary) and arrange transport for all who would like to go. If you haven't any transport but would like to have a couple hours outing, then come along and find likeminded people who can share the experience with you!

WARM HUB for coffee and a chat - Tuesday and Thursday mornings 10 am - 12 noon

WEDNESDAYS

STRONG SENIORS

6 WEEK COURSE

STARTING 19TH APRIL

2-2:45PM

12 PLACES AVAILABLE

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CHAPEL END WAY, CO9 4NX



THIS CLASS IS DESIGNED TO KEEP YOU INDEPENDENTLY MOBILE. THE AIM OF THE CLASS IS TO STRENGTHEN MUSCLES, IMPROVE BONE DENSITY, IMPROVE MOBILITY & BETTER YOUR CARDIOVASCULAR HEALTH.



THIS CLASS IS DESIGNED TO HELP PREVENT FALLS & LESSEN THE IMPACT A FALL CAN HAVE ON THE BODY. THE AIM OF THE CLASS IS TO IMPROVE CONFIDENCE, INCREASE STABILITY, IMPROVE BALANCE & POSTURE.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND TO BOOK PLEASE CONTACT VICTORIA:

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ST. PETER & ST. THOMAS PARISH CHURCH

It was so nice to see a full Church for the funeral of Thelma Argent. She was a lovely lady who was liked by so many. Our thoughts & prayers are with Ronnie & the family as they grieve their loss.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter Rev. Liz is retiring and a "leaving" service is being held on 30th April at Sible Hedingham Church at 11am. If you plan to attend please let me know (contact details below) as numbers are required for the refreshments after the service. All seven

Churches in the benefice are involved so it would be nice to see a full Church to thank Liz for all her hard work in the benefice and at Stambourne. Whilst we wait for details of a new Rector our two services a month will continue so please do come along and support those leading the service on the 1st and 2nd Sunday of each month.

Val Kerrison, Churchwarden

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SERVICES AT STAMBOURNE FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS:

Date	Time	Service	
9 April	9:30 am	Holy Communion for Easter Sunday	Rev Liz Paxton
30 April	11:00 am	Benefice Service at Sible Hedingham Church ALL WELCOME TO STAY FOR LUNCH WITH LIZ	Rev Liz Paxton
7 May	9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Malcolm Buckland
14 May	9:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Caroline Brown
4 June	9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Malcolm Buckland
11 June	9:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Caroline Brown
2 July	9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Malcolm Buckland
9 July	9:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Caroline Brown

RECTOR'S RAMBLINGS

Many of you will now be aware that this Rector is indeed, rambling on to pastures new. My last Sunday Service will be at St Peter and St Thomas on Easter Sunday at 9.30. As well as celebrating the resurrection we can plan for a glorious future just as the disciples did when they knew that Jesus was alive. They didn't know the plans that God had in store for them, but God blessed them at Pentecost and the Christian church was born. After almost 10 years in the Heddinghams and over 5 since the benefice included Stambourne, (and approaching a big birthday) Rev Liz is retiring. Retiring from priestly ministry is not quite the same as retiring from a secular job, as you never lose your identity as a priest, but it does mean retiring from the responsibility of these parishes. I have some trepidation as to what retirement will mean for me, but I also have a good sense that God's timing is perfect. We are all facing a great time of change; we are moving on, and the church in Stambourne is moving into a vacancy. Let me remind you that the God we follow is faithful – he kept his word in raising his Son to new life and he will remain

faithful to us. Jesus will lead you. He will not desert you. Jesus said, "I will not leave you orphaned...the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you" (John 14:18,26).

As well as sending you the Holy Spirit, God will also send you an amazing new Rector who will lead you on the next stage of your journey. Thank you for all we have learnt together over these last few years. Thank you for those spiritual mountain top moments you have given me; I hope I have given you some too. I'm sorry when I haven't been all you hoped I would be – please continue to pray for my husband Garry and myself as we will certainly be praying for you.

Let us pray...

"O God, the well of life, make us bright with wisdom, that we may be enlightened with the knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Rev Liz

STAMBOURNE VILLAGE HALL

Thanks to everyone who patronised Coral's Craft Market in March. She will be holding another later in the year.

To hire the hall (residents £8 per hour; non-residents £10 per hour) please ring Rosemary Horton on **01440 785339**.

The next meeting in the hall is on 6th. April at 5:30pm – this will be the yearly AGM. Have a nice Easter.

STAMBOURNE LADIES GROUP



At The April get together ladies made a selection of lovely cards under the supervision of one of their members, Liz.

On Wednesday 12 April (7 pm for 7:30 pm start) there will a talk by Essex County Fire Service followed by the usual chat, yummy food etc. Contact **Lorna** on 07980 922 636 for more details.



KNIT AND NATTER CLUB

At **The Green Man**, Toppesfield: **13th April, 27th April, 11th May, 25th May, 8th June, 22nd June**.

(These dates are subject to variation please check online before attending.)

Contact Anna on 07944 696 527 for more details.

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1 CHALLENGE, 4 FEET, END 2 END, 3 PEAKS



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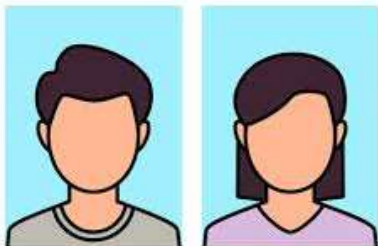
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From 4 May 2023, voters in England will need to show photo ID to vote at polling stations in elections.



Accepted forms of photo ID:

There are many accepted forms of Photo ID such as:

Passport

Driving Licence

Bus Pass and other types of travel passes

Proof of Age - PASS card

There is a complete list on www.electoralcommission.org.uk or you can call 0800 328 0280

If you don't have an accepted form of photo ID:

You can apply for a **free** voter ID document, known as a **Voter Authority Certificate**

For more details check www.electoralcommission.org.uk or you can call 0800 328 0280

