

# STAMBOURNE NEWSLETTER

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### STAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

*The first meeting of 2026 took place on 20 January in the village hall. We were pleased to welcome the Braintree District Councillor, Richard van Dulken.*

**Pavilion** – *The pavilion remains closed for the winter and will re-open for bookings in the spring. If you would like to book the pavilion, please contact me – details at the bottom of the page.*

**Playing field** – *A grant application has been made for funding towards a new piece of play equipment. We wait to hear if it has been successful.*

**Highways** – *The roads through the village have stayed in reasonable order, however there are an increasing number of potholes in the surrounding area. Any highways issues can be reported to Essex County Council at [www.essex.gov.uk/highways](http://www.essex.gov.uk/highways).*

*A big thank you to the Stambourne Wombles who have been out and about recently litter picking in and around the village.*

**Planning** – *The local plan review is continuing for details please use this link – [About the Local Plan Review – Local Plan Review – Braintree District Council](#)*

**Finance** – *The Parish Council has agreed the budget and precept for the financial year 2026-27 and this will form part of the council tax for Braintree District Council.*

*Meeting dates for 2026 will be:-*

*19 March*

*14 May*

*23 July*

*24 September*

*19 November*

*All are Thursdays at 7.30pm unless shown otherwise and are in the village hall.*

*Full minutes, agendas etc are available on the Stambourne website at [www.stambourne.com](http://www.stambourne.com)*

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### EMERGENCY BLEED CONTROL KITS



*The Parish Council has installed Emergency Bleed Control Kits on the Village Hall and on the Chapel in Chapel End Way. They are in bright red boxes and clearly labelled. These are provided to be used in an emergency when a casualty is bleeding heavily and staunching the blood flow is of critical importance. Instructions for use are provided in the packs to be found inside the boxes which are not locked.*

*Funding for these boxes has come from the Finchingfield based charity, the Cremer Fund, and some of the profits from the village fireworks display.*

*We hope that these boxes are never going to be used in critical situations, but if you do have an emergency please use them.*

*Afterwards, please let the Parish Clerk know so that replacements can be obtained as soon as possible.*

## GRITTING SALT



A reminder that the Parish Council has bags of gritting / de-icing salt stored locally and available for residents use. If there are extreme cold weather conditions, snow or ice, please contact Michael Crago on 07779672388 to obtain a bag.

## ST. PETER & ST. THOMAS PARISH CHURCH

### SERVICES FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS:

| Date        | Time                         | Service                                    |                     |
|-------------|------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| 15 February | 9:30 am                      | Holy Communion                             | Rev'd Tia Stickland |
| 17 February | Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day) |  |                     |
| 18 February | 7:00 pm                      | ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE @ Toppesfield Church |                     |
| 1 March     | 9:30 am                      | Morning Prayer                             | Rev. Tia Stickland  |
| 15 March    | 9:30 am                      | MOTHERING SUNDAY<br>Holy Communion         | Rev'd Tia Stickland |
| 29 March    | 11:00 am                     | PALM SUNDAY SERVICE @ Great Yeldham Church |                     |
| 5 April     | 9:30 am                      | EASTER SUNDAY<br>Holy Communion            | Rev'd Tia Stickland |
| 19 April    | 9:30 am                      | Morning Prayer                             | Rev'd Tia Stickland |

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## STAMBOURNE VILLAGE HALL

### ACTIVITIES

#### NEW - Games Afternoon

Fortnightly commencing **Thursday February 19th 2pm - 4pm.**

Free Tea and Coffee

Suggested games Rummikub, Scrabble, Whist, Draughts, Chess.

Any other game ideas welcome.

Please pop along.



#### FUTURE - events in the pipeline:

A jumble sale in October more details to follow.  
Watch this space for future yoga sessions.

Any queries on any of the above please ring Wendy on 07810136200

## STAMBOURNE TRACTOR RUN

#### A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – Sunday May 31st

Bar, Hog Roast, Classic Cars etc.

Tractor Run to start at 10 am.

After Show to start at 12 noon.

Volunteers will be welcome - more details to follow in the next newsletter.



***RIDGEWELL AIRFIELD MUSEUM***  
***ESSEX ONLY HEAVY BOMBER BASE***



***2026 MUSEUM OPEN DAYS***

*MARCH 8th*

*APRIL 12th*

*MAY 10th*

*JUNE 14th*

*JULY 12th*

*AUG 9th*

*SEPT 13th*

*OCT 11th*

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Contributions for the next newsletter (to cover events in April, May and June) to Karen Crago, preferably by email to [kcrago@btinternet.com](mailto:kcrago@btinternet.com) or place in the post box at Tagley Farm by Friday 27 March, please.





# STAMBOURNE

## COMMUNITY MARKET

Village Hall, Church Road CO9 4NP

**Saturday 21st March**

**10.30 - 1.30**

**Stallholders**

**Refreshments**

**Charity Tombola**

**(Supporting Brain Tumour Research)**

