

# Village Voice

**Stanton Harcourt & Sutton Newsletter**

**AUGUST 2026**

**NEWS  
LOCAL UPDATES**

**WHAT'S ON  
AUGUST EVENTS**



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# STANTON HARCOURT PARISH COUNCIL NEWS & UPDATES

The Parish Council met on Monday 6th July, with four members of the public in attendance.

## QUARRY UPDATE

The main item of the evening was an update on the proposed Sutton Farm Quarry. Smith & Sons (Bletchington) Ltd are considering a major sand and gravel quarry covering around 275 hectares between Sutton, Stanton Harcourt and Eynsham, which could operate for 26 years or more.

Oxfordshire County Council has now issued its formal Scoping Opinion, confirming that a full Environmental Impact Assessment will be required before any planning application can be considered. Following representations from the Parish Council, our District Councillors and individual residents, OCC has instructed the developer to carry out detailed studies covering highway safety and traffic, flood risk and dewatering, ecology and biodiversity, loss of high-grade farmland, noise and dust, landscape and heritage impacts, climate change, and effects on health and wellbeing.

This is not a planning decision, and a full application is not expected before 2027, at which point residents will have a further formal opportunity to comment.

## NEW COUNCILLOR

The Council was pleased to co-opt Thomas Elliot-Frey, who has been formally accepted and will join as a councillor at the September meeting.

## ROAD WATCH



On roads, the community speed watch group continues to press OCC for improvements and the PC has now agreed proposed designs for traffic calming measures for Eynsham Road and Standlake Road and has instructed OCC to perform a formal consultation on the proposed measures.

## MAINTENANCE

Councillors will spend the summer break assessing maintenance needs across the parish, ahead of agreeing priorities in September.

## STANDING WITH GIANTS

The Council also discussed locations for the Standing with Giants statues in the Old Guard Room Garden and on the Green.

## CEMETERY FEES

The PC also agreed revised cemetery fees following a review of neighbouring parishes' rates.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Several planning applications were considered with no objection including solar panels, garden storage, a greenhouse and new entrance gates. The PC has raised an objection to retrospective permission for external yard lighting installation at the Stanton Harcourt Industrial Estate.

***The next Parish Council meeting is at 7.30pm on Monday 7th September at the Old Guardroom.***



# WE WANT YOU!



## A POT HOLE CHAMPION

**MAKE STANTON HARCOURT SAFER FOR EVERYONE.**



**TO APPLY OR LEARN MORE: CONTACT: [keith@stanton-harcourt-pc.gov.uk](mailto:keith@stanton-harcourt-pc.gov.uk)**

## THE FIRST WOMAN PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR



It has come to light that Mrs Kath Uzzell of New Road, Sutton served as Chairman of Stanton Harcourt Parish Council many years ago.

This is recorded in Moments in Time at Stanton Harcourt (1995), designed and printed by Raithby Lawrence. The photograph above is of a Youth Club evening featuring Mrs Uzzell. The accompanying caption also identifies the Reverend Caswell, Vicar of Stanton Harcourt from 1959 to 1970, which dates the photograph to before 1970. The caption describes Mrs Uzzell as "Chairman of the Parish Council for many years."

Following the recent election of a new Chairman of the Parish Council, it was initially believed that this was the first time a woman had held the role. However, thanks to the keen eye of David Hibberd, this photograph and caption were brought to our attention, revealing that Mrs Kath Uzzell had, in fact, chaired the Parish Council many years earlier.

Mrs Kath Uzzell was one of seven villagers interviewed by BBC correspondent John Simpson when Stanton Harcourt featured in the **People and Places** series. A recording of the programme is held in the Oxford Library.



# YOUR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES

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**COUNCILLOR THOMAS  
ELLIOT-FREY**



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# VILLAGE SUPPORT

## CHURCH TIMES

### St Michael's, Stanton Harcourt, Lower Windrush Benefice



Church service information

<https://lowerwindrushbenefice.org/services/>

**August 2nd Sunday** 8:30am Holy Communion (BCP)

**August 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday** 10:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Wednesday evenings at 8:30pm we have a short service of Compline via Zoom.

Thursday mornings we have Early Bird Prayer at 7:30am via Zoom.

All Zoom codes can be found on

[www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org](http://www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org)

*For more information about all services taking place in the Benefice (Stanton Harcourt, Northmoor, Standlake, Yelford) please visit the Lower Windrush Benefice website:*

[www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org](http://www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org)

### Sutton Chapel

Sun 9th August, 3pm – Rev. Sue Jacobs

<https://www.westoxfordshiremethodists.org.uk/churches/sutton.html>



### St Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Eynsham

For information about services at St Peter's please visit

[www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk/](http://www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk/)



## CAFE AT THE CHAPEL



**Every first Wednesday of the month**

**10:00am - 12:00pm**

FRESH ROASTED COFFEE / SELECTION OF TEAS

TOASTED TEACAKES, CRUMPETS AND HOT BUTTERED TOAST.

BOOKS AND GIFTS SALE TABLE TO BROWSE

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU!



# VILLAGE SUPPORT

## STANTON HARCOURT VILLAGE HALL

The next Village Hall Market will be Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September.



## VILLAGE SHOP & POST OFFICE

Please support our Village Shop and Post Office, located at Stanton Harcourt Village Hall!



The Village Shop is open **daily** for newspapers, milk, essential groceries and cards.

**From 8:00am to 10:00am (10:30am on Tuesday & Saturday)**

The Post Office is Open **Tuesday & Saturday**

From 8:00am to 10:30am

## STANTON HARCOURT & SUTTON LITTER PICK

Thanks to everyone who came along and supported the litter pick on Saturday 14th July. A little hot but we managed to collect 5 bin bags of rubbish (3 from the B4449 again). Thank you to Jacqui and Naomi for joining us, and to the Village Hall Committee for providing us with a much needed drink.





# VILLAGE BUS SERVICES

These are the timetables for the bus services from Stanton Harcourt and Standlake run by First and Last Mile. Any questions please call 07584 927050. The Monday 401 bus service to Wantage now has a revised timetable and route

| <b>FLM ROUTE 401</b><br>STANTON HARCOURT - LONGWORTH - WANTAGE<br>MONDAYS ONLY (from 13th April 2026)<br><a href="http://www.firstandlastmile.org.uk">www.firstandlastmile.org.uk</a> |          |              |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Email: <a href="mailto:info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com">info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com</a> Tel 07584 927 050                                                                         |          |              |
| Stop                                                                                                                                                                                  | Outbound | Inbound      |
| STANTON HARCOURT, FLEXNEYS                                                                                                                                                            | 09:05    | Request Only |
| BRIGHTHAMPTON, LANCOTT LANE                                                                                                                                                           | 09:11    | Request Only |
| STANDLAKE, WOODLANDS                                                                                                                                                                  | 09:15    | Request Only |
| LONGWORTH, BOWBANK CLOSE                                                                                                                                                              | 09:25    | Request Only |
| KINGSTON BAGPUIZE, SCHOOL LANE                                                                                                                                                        | 09:32    | 12:58        |
| SOUTHMOOR, BEGGARS LANE                                                                                                                                                               | 09:37    | 12:55        |
| PUSEY                                                                                                                                                                                 | 09:42    | Request Only |
| BUCKLAND, MEMORIAL HALL                                                                                                                                                               | 09:47    | Request Only |
| GAINFIELD                                                                                                                                                                             | 09:52    | Request Only |
| CHARNEY BASSETT, ORCHARD CLOSE                                                                                                                                                        | 09:56    | 12:46        |
| WEST HANNEY, BUS SHELTER                                                                                                                                                              | 10:05    | 12:38        |
| DENCHWORTH, BROOK LANE                                                                                                                                                                | 10:10    | 12:33        |
| GROVE, MILLBROOK SQUARE                                                                                                                                                               | 10:14    | 12:26        |
| WANTAGE, MARKET SQUARE                                                                                                                                                                | 10:25    | 12:15        |
| WANTAGE, SAINSBURYS                                                                                                                                                                   | 10:30    | 12:10        |



| <b>FLM ROUTE 402 &amp; 409</b><br>STANTON HARCOURT - LONGWORTH - FARINGDON<br>FARINGDON - CLANFIELD - WITNEY<br>THURSDAYS ONLY<br><a href="http://www.firstandlastmile.org.uk">www.firstandlastmile.org.uk</a> |          |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Email: <a href="mailto:info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com">info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com</a> Tel 07584 927 050                                                                                                  |          |         |
| <b>FLM ROUTE 402 STANTON HARCOURT - LONGWORTH - FARINGDON</b>                                                                                                                                                  |          |         |
| Stop                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Outbound | Inbound |
| STANTON HARCOURT, FLEXNEYS                                                                                                                                                                                     | 09:10    | 13:34   |
| BRIGHTHAMPTON, LANCOTT LANE                                                                                                                                                                                    | 09:16    | 13:30   |
| STANDLAKE, WOODLANDS                                                                                                                                                                                           | 09:20    | 13:25   |
| LONGWORTH, BOWBANK CLOSE                                                                                                                                                                                       | 09:30    | 13:15   |
| HINTON WALDRIST, BUS SHELTER                                                                                                                                                                                   | 09:37    | 13:08   |
| BUCKLAND, VILLAGE HALL                                                                                                                                                                                         | 09:47    | 12:58   |
| FARINGDON, RETAIL PARK                                                                                                                                                                                         | 09:59    | 12:46   |
| FARINGDON, MARKET PLACE                                                                                                                                                                                        | 10:03    | 12:42   |

Outbound passengers wishing to continue on the 409 service may remain on this bus.  
Inbound passengers wishing to continue on the 402 service may remain on this bus.

| <b>FLM ROUTE 409 FARINGDON - CLANFIELD - WITNEY</b> |          |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Stop                                                | Outbound | Inbound |
| FARINGDON, MARKET PLACE                             | 10:05    | 12:40   |
| CLANFIELD, BUS SHELTER                              | 10:13    | 12:32   |
| BAMPTON, BRIDGE STREET                              | 10:17    | 12:28   |
| LEW, HOLY TRINITY CHURCH                            | 10:21    | 12:24   |
| CURBRIDGE, LORD KITCHENER                           | 10:24    | 12:21   |
| WITNEY, MARKET SQUARE                               | 10:30    | 12:15   |
| SAINSBURYS                                          | 10:35    | 12:10   |

| <b>FLM ROUTE 471</b><br>NORTHMOOR - STANTON HARCOURT - WITNEY<br>WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS<br><a href="http://www.firstandlastmile.org.uk">www.firstandlastmile.org.uk</a> |          |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Email: <a href="mailto:info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com">info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com</a> Tel 07584 927 050                                                         |          |              |
| Stop                                                                                                                                                                  | Outbound | Inbound      |
| NORTHMOOR, PARK FARM CLOSE                                                                                                                                            | 09:20    | Request Only |
| NORTHMOOR, RED LION                                                                                                                                                   | 09:22    | Request Only |
| BABLOCK HYTHE, FERRYMAN                                                                                                                                               | 09:25    | Request Only |
| BLACKDITCH                                                                                                                                                            | 09:31    | Request Only |
| STANTON HARCOURT, FLEXNEYS                                                                                                                                            | 09:32    | 12:36        |
| SUTTON VILLAGE                                                                                                                                                        | 09:35    | Request Only |
| SOUTH LEIGH, LYMBROOK CLOSE                                                                                                                                           | 09:43    | 12:25        |
| WITNEY, MARKET SQUARE                                                                                                                                                 | 10:05    | 12:05        |
| SAINSBURYS                                                                                                                                                            | 10:08    | 12:02        |
| LIDL                                                                                                                                                                  | 10:15    | 11:55        |

West Oxfordshire  
Community Transport

**418** Eynsham • Standlake  
via Sutton, Stanton Harcourt, Bablockhythe & Nort

Monday to Friday except public holidays

|                                    |      |      |      |      |      |      |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Eynsham, Church opposite           | 0930 | 1125 | 1325 | 1545 | 1705 | 1820 |
| Sutton, Turn                       | 0935 | 1130 | 1330 | 1550 | 1710 | 1825 |
| Stanton Harcourt, Flexneys Paddock | 0938 | 1133 | 1333 | 1553 | 1715 | 1828 |
| Stanton Harcourt, Blackditch       | 0939 | 1134 | 1334 | 1554 | 1716 | 1829 |
| Bablockhythe, The Ferryman         | 0946 | 1141 | 1341 | 1601 |      | 1836 |
| Northmoor, The Red Lion            | 0950 | 1145 | 1345 | 1605 |      | 1840 |
| Standlake, Church Mill Close       | 0955 | 1150 | 1350 | 1610 |      | 1845 |

|                                    |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| Standlake, Church Mill Close       | 0955 | 1155 | 1355 | 1615 |      |  |
| Brightampton, Lancott Lane         | 1000 | 1200 | 1400 | 1620 |      |  |
| Standlake, Woodlands               | 1005 | 1205 | 1405 | 1625 |      |  |
| Northmoor, The Red Lion            | 1007 | 1207 | 1407 | 1627 |      |  |
| Bablockhythe, The Ferryman         | 1008 | 1208 | 1408 | 1628 |      |  |
| Stanton Harcourt, Blackditch       | 1014 | 1214 | 1414 | 1634 | 1716 |  |
| Stanton Harcourt, Flexneys Paddock | 1015 | 1215 | 1415 | 1635 |      |  |
| Sutton, Turn                       | 1018 | 1218 | 1418 | 1638 | 1722 |  |
| Eynsham, Church outside            | 1023 | 1223 | 1423 | 1643 | 1727 |  |

No service on Saturday, Sunday or public holidays

This service is operated by West Oxfordshire Community Transport LTD.  
For more information, please visit [www.woct.org.uk](http://www.woct.org.uk) or call 01993 630124.

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Correct at 18/01/2025. E&OE. Special timetables may operate over Easter and the Christmas period.



| <b>FLM ROUTE 618</b><br>Bundock - Eynsham - Witney<br>SATURDAYS ONLY (from 2nd May 2026)<br><a href="http://www.firstandlastmile.org.uk">www.firstandlastmile.org.uk</a> |             |                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Email: <a href="mailto:info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com">info.firstandlastmile@gmail.com</a> Tel 07584 927 050                                                            |             |                     |
| Outbound                                                                                                                                                                 | Run1        | Run2                |
| CHURCH MILL CLOSE                                                                                                                                                        | 09:10       | 11:31               |
| BRIGHTHAMPTON, LANCOTT LANE                                                                                                                                              | 09:16       | 11:38               |
| STANDLAKE, WOODLANDS                                                                                                                                                     | 09:20       | 11:40               |
| NORTHMOOR, RED LION                                                                                                                                                      | 09:30       | 11:45               |
| BABLOCK HYTHE, FERRYMAN                                                                                                                                                  | 09:37       | 11:49               |
| BLACKDITCH                                                                                                                                                               | 09:42       | 11:56               |
| STANTON HARCOURT, FLEXNEYS                                                                                                                                               | 09:47       | 11:57               |
| SUTTON                                                                                                                                                                   | 09:52       | 12:00               |
| EYNSHAM, CHURCH                                                                                                                                                          | 09:56       | 12:05               |
| EYNSHAM, BARTHOLOMEW LEISURE CENTRE                                                                                                                                      | 10:01       | 12:09               |
| WITNEY, MARKET SQUARE                                                                                                                                                    | 10:07       |                     |
| Inbound                                                                                                                                                                  | Run1        | Run2                |
| WITNEY, MARKET SQUARE                                                                                                                                                    |             | 13:25               |
| EYNSHAM, BARTHOLOMEW LEISURE CENTRE                                                                                                                                      | 11:11       | 13:41               |
| EYNSHAM, CHURCH                                                                                                                                                          | 11:15       | 13:45               |
| SUTTON                                                                                                                                                                   | 11:30       | 13:50               |
| STANTON HARCOURT, FLEXNEYS                                                                                                                                               | 11:23       | 13:53               |
| BLACKDITCH                                                                                                                                                               | 11:24       | 13:54               |
| CHURCH MILL CLOSE                                                                                                                                                        | 11:31       | 14:01               |
| BRIGHTHAMPTON, LANCOTT LANE                                                                                                                                              | 11:36       | 14:06               |
| STANDLAKE, WOODLANDS                                                                                                                                                     | 11:40       | 14:10               |
| NORTHMOOR, RED LION                                                                                                                                                      | 11:45       | 14:15               |
| BABLOCK HYTHE, FERRYMAN                                                                                                                                                  | 11:49       | 14:19               |
| FARES - PAY BY CARD OR CASH. ALSO MYBUS & CONCESSIONARY PASSES ACCEPTED                                                                                                  |             |                     |
| ADULT SINGLE                                                                                                                                                             | £3          |                     |
| CHILD SINGLE                                                                                                                                                             | £2          |                     |
| 10-TRIP TICKET                                                                                                                                                           | £25         |                     |
| MYBUS DAY TICKETS                                                                                                                                                        | ADULT £6.50 | YOUNG PERSONS £3.50 |

All Routes and Fares - <https://www.firstandlastmile.org.uk/>



# WHAT'S ON IN STANTON HARCOURT AND SUTTON

## MONTHLY PUB QUIZ

The monthly pub quiz in the Harcourt Arms, is on  
**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August, 7:30pm**

The entrance fee is only £3 (Please bring exact cash) and there are cash prizes. Maximum of 6 in a team. Come along and have fun! Tables need to be booked in advance as demand is high.

Visit the Arms or call **(01865 416516)** to do so but please only book if you are sure you can participate. A curry is available each quiz night as is the regular menu. The quiz starts at 7.30pm; come earlier to eat.

## MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST



The popular Men's Breakfast continues on the first Saturday of every month at the Harcourt Arms, Stanton Harcourt.

The group meets from 8am–9.30am for a relaxed morning of good food and conversation at the Harcourt Arms. There's always room for new faces – whether you're retired, new to the area, or simply fancy a friendly monthly catch-up.

The next breakfast takes place on Saturday 4 July at 8am.

To book, contact Rob Brown at [rlindsaybrown@btinternet.com](mailto:rlindsaybrown@btinternet.com) or text 07957 664117 by the Thursday beforehand, or contact the Harcourt Arms directly.



## SUTTON SINGERS

Sutton singers have ended their year with a fabulous sing at the Beer Festival. We have had a good year singing our usual Xmas and Festival concerts, Open Mic Night and joining with Bampton Singers in April for a splendid concert in the Village Hall. Our highlight has to be an "Outstanding" grade at Chipping Norton Music Festival. We celebrated our year at our annual Summer Party, with singing from our repertoire - all from our past repertoire, some not sung for a while were very wobbly but very funny!!! Fabulous food provided by all the singers. You see us in the photos in a Singers Garden enjoying the glorious weather and entertainment!

Come and join in the fun! We begin again on September 8th 7pm. At The Chapel, New, Road, Sutton. A good time to start with new songs.



Sutton Singers meet on Tuesdays during term time at 7pm. Would you like to sing? Come and join in the joy and fun of singing together? No auditions needed. We welcome new members, have parties sometimes and our Musical Director - Lizzie Soden - is a joy to work with, fun, encouraging and says everyone can sing!

If you just love singing but are not so keen on performance we are the choir for you! As a Community Choir we welcome everyone and you never know - you may end up being inspired to perform?

Get in touch with Jan Tomlinson on

Phone: **01865 881709** or

email: [janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com](mailto:janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com)

## LADIES WALKING GROUP

We are a group of ladies who get together at 9.30am on a Monday Morning to walk! Mostly for about 2 hours locally. Sometimes stopping for coffee at the end.

Occasionally we also go further afield travelling to nearby walking routes within a 15-30 minute drive. There is no pressure to attend every week - sometimes there is just a couple of us and another day it will be 10. We walk at a pace that works for those attending.



For more information contact Jan Tomlinson  
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STANTON HARCOURT BEER FESTIVAL PRESENTS

# UNPLUGGED OPEN MIC NIGHTS

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH  
STANTON HARCOURT  
OXFORDSHIRE  
£2 ENTRY PER PERSON  
(PROCEEDS GO TO THE CHURCH)

BRING YOUR OWN REFRESHMENTS

MUSICIANS, SINGERS, POETS,  
COMEDIANS' SPECTATORS  
ALL UNPLUGGED - LET THE  
ACOUSTICS OF THE CHURCH  
DO THE WORK

7:30-9:30PM  
APRIL 24TH  
MAY 29TH  
JUNE 25TH  
JULY 31ST  
AUGUST 23TH  
SEPTEMBER 25TH





STANTON HARCOURT  
& SUTTON BRANCH

INVITE YOU TO A

# **FAMILY DAY!**

**SATURDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**3pm – 7pm**

**THE OLD AIRFIELD**

**STANTON HARCOURT**

**BBQ & Bar**

**Red Line Home Guard  
Living History Group**

**Military Vehicle  
Display**

**Brize Norton  
Military Wives Choir**

**Ice Cream  
Van**

**Treasure Hunt**

**Raffle**

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

# STANTON HARCOURT BEER FESTIVAL

What can be said about this year's Stanton Harcourt Beer Festival? Simply put, it was the biggest and busiest festival to date.

With a fantastic atmosphere throughout the day, great musical performances and an impressive turnout from across the village and beyond, the event proved just how popular it has become. The good news is that plans are already underway to make next year's festival even bigger, with more on offer to meet the growing demand.

The festival's continued success is a testament to the hard work of the organising team, volunteers, sponsors and everyone behind the scenes who helped bring the event together.

Next year's Beer Festival will take place on Saturday 31st July 2027, so it's one to mark in the diary.



Kencot Ukulele Band



Sutton Singers Performed





# HEALTH & FITNESS EVENTS

Still keeping to your New Year health resolutions, or wanting to start something new, meet new people and have fun?

## ZUMBA CLASSES

Thursday evenings 6.30pm- Stanton Harcourt Village Hall ( term time ) if you love to dance, learn new routines, make new friends while having fun & getting fit, you'll love zumba- all abilities welcome.  
Classes are £6 per session.

For more information please contact **Debbie 07733 081620/ [debbiepargeter@gmail.com](mailto:debbiepargeter@gmail.com)**



## ANAHATA YOGA 💜🙏

Please come and join us this summer-

Monday 6.15-7.15pm Yoga for All, The Old Guardroom, Stanton Harcourt And Thursday 10-11am Yoga by The River, The Ferryman Inn, Bablock Hythe- Anahata Yoga

Please note this weather dependent and may move indoors when wet or too hot- there is a WhatsApp group available for updates

Please contact me for more information, all classes are £8, concessions available 💚 Anahata yoga is a style of Hatha Yoga, from the north of India, based in nature, and with flowing rather than static poses.

Expect classes that are varied, designed to help us to clear our minds, move our bodies, in the hope we can go out in the world stronger and calmer ✨

Please note that in August there is no Monday class on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Both Monday classes return on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

I am also a qualified massage therapist, offering a variety of treatments including Thai Yoga Massage, Holistic Massage, and Deep Tissue Massage.

Please contact me on 0789 002 6446 or via [alison@peacefulexistence.co.uk](mailto:alison@peacefulexistence.co.uk)

Peaceful Existence Yoga and Massage, based in Sutton Xx



## PILATES

Pilates, Personal Training and Breathwork  
with Nicky Holmes

**Tuesdays – 5.15pm / Village Hall**

**Wednesdays – 10.10am and 11.20am, Old GuardRoom**

Classes start from £10 – personal tuition is also available.

Nicky specialises in rehabilitation from injury, improving posture, strength and flexibility work including breath work and relaxation techniques. Every class is varied, sometimes using equipment, stability balls, weights and foam rollers. Numbers are limited as classes are small and personalised to each individual. [info@physiquepilates.co.uk](mailto:info@physiquepilates.co.uk)  
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## VELVET SOLES FOOT HEALTH - FOOT CARE FOR ALL

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# August 2026

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|                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                        |                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                  |     | 1<br>Monthly<br>Men's<br>Breakfast<br>8:00am<br>Harcourt<br>Arms | 2   |
| 3<br>Ladies<br>Walking<br>Group<br>Village Hall<br>9:30am<br><br>Yoga for<br>Wellbeing<br>5:00pm-<br>6:00pm<br>Old<br>Guardroom<br><br>Anahata<br>Yoga<br>Old<br>Guardroom<br>6.15-7.15pm  | 4<br>Senior<br>Badminton<br>10:00am -11:00am<br>Village Hall<br><br>Pilates<br>5:15pm<br>Village Hall  | 5<br>Cafe at the<br>Chapel<br>10:00am -<br>12:00pm<br><br>Pilates<br>10:10am &<br>11:20am<br>Old<br>Guardroom | 6<br>Yoga By The River<br>10:00am - 11:00am<br>Ferryman Inn<br><br>Thursday Club<br>Northmoor Village<br>Hall<br>12:00pm-2:00pm  | 7   | 8                                                                | 9   |
| 10<br>Ladies<br>Walking<br>Group<br>Village Hall<br>9:30am<br><br>Yoga for<br>Wellbeing<br>5:00pm-<br>6:00pm<br>Old<br>Guardroom<br><br>Anahata<br>Yoga<br>Old<br>Guardroom<br>6.15-7.15pm | 11<br>Senior<br>Badminton<br>10:00am -11:00am<br>Village Hall<br><br>Pilates<br>5:15pm<br>Village Hall | 12<br>Pilates<br>10:10am &<br>11:20am<br>Old<br>Guardroom                                                     | 13<br>Yoga By The River<br>10:00am - 11:00am<br>Ferryman Inn<br><br>Thursday Club<br>Northmoor Village<br>Hall<br>12:00pm-2:00pm | 14  | 15                                                               | 16  |



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| <b>17</b><br>Ladies Walking Group<br>Village Hall<br>9:30am<br><br>Yoga for Wellbeing<br>5:00pm-6:00pm<br>Old Guardroom<br><br>Anahata Yoga<br>Old Guardroom<br>6.15-7.15pm | <b>18</b><br>Senior Badminton<br>10:00am -11:00am<br>Village Hall<br><br>Pilates<br>5:15pm<br>Village Hall | <b>19</b><br>Pilates<br>10:10am &<br>11:20am<br>Old Guardroom | <b>20</b><br>Yoga By The River<br>10:00am - 11:00am<br>Ferryman Inn<br><br>Thursday Club<br>Northmoor Village Hall<br>12:00pm-2:00pm<br><br>Pub Quiz<br>Harcourt Arms<br>7:30pm | <b>21</b>                                                                    | <b>22</b> | <b>23</b> |
| <b>24</b><br>Ladies Walking Group<br>Village Hall<br>9:30am                                                                                                                 | <b>25</b><br>Senior Badminton<br>10:00am -11:00am<br>Village Hall<br><br>Pilates<br>5:15pm<br>Village Hall | <b>26</b><br>Pilates<br>10:10am &<br>11:20am<br>Old Guardroom | <b>27</b><br>Yoga By The River<br>10:00am - 11:00am<br>Ferryman Inn<br><br>Thursday Club<br>Northmoor Village Hall<br>12:00pm-2:00pm                                            | <b>28</b><br>Unplugged Open Mic Night, St Michael's Church,<br>7:30pm-9:30pm | <b>29</b> | <b>30</b> |
| <b>31</b><br>Ladies Walking Group<br>Village Hall<br>9:30am                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                            |                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                              |           |           |



# SAVE THE DATE

Save the dates for upcoming village events in your diary so you don't miss out!

| AUGUST          | EVENT                                                               |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NOTE            | No Parish Council Meeting AND no Village Hall Market in August      |
| SEPTEMBER       |                                                                     |
| 7th             | Parish Council Meeting, Old Guardroom 7:30pm                        |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> | Sutton Singers, Methodist Chapel, Stanton Harcourt                  |
| 12th            | Village Hall Market & Cafe, 12:00pm-2:00pm                          |
| 12th            | SH&S Royal British Legion Family Day, Old Airfield, 3:00pm - 7:00pm |
| 24th            | Pub Quiz, Harcourt Arms, 7:30pm                                     |
| 25th            | Unplugged Open Mic Night, St Michael's Church, 7:30pm-9:30pm        |



# GET INVOLVED



## THE THURSDAY CLUB

We meet every Thursday at Northmoor Village Hall between 12:00 and 2 pm.



### WE NEED MORE COOKS!

Many hands make light work! Preparing a main course or a pudding from time to time could make a real impact and help support the volunteers currently cooking both courses on a regular basis..

If you think you might be able to help in any way, I'd love to have a chat—please do give me a ring. (Liz Strange - 07810606755) or pop in and see us one week between 12.00pm and 2.00pm

**STANTON HARCOURT CHARITIES**

RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY NO: 201569-0

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RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY PROVIDES SHORT TERM FINANCIAL RELIEF TO ANYONE WHO LIVES OR WORKS IN VILLAGE

EDUCATION CHARITY EXISTS TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS WITH EDUCATIONAL PURSUITS

**ALL REQUESTS ARE CONFIDENTIAL TO THE TRUSTEES**

**PLEASE CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION OR IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MAY BENEFIT**

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**GROW YOUR OWN!**

**Northmoor Allotment Plots Now Available**

Ever wanted to harvest your own fresh, home-grown vegetables, fruit, and flowers? Now is your chance to join our local allotment community!

**What's Available?**

We currently have 1 ½ plots vacant. These can be rented as a full plot and a half plot, or split into 3 half plots depending on your needs and how much time you have to dig in.

**The Standard Cost**  
Half Plot: £25 per year  
Full Plot: £50 per year

**SPECIAL LATE-SEASON OFFER**

Because there is a limited growing season left this year, we are offering a fantastic head-start deal:  
**Commit to renting a plot for next year, and you can have it for the rest of THIS year completely FREE!**

This is the perfect opportunity to claim your space, prep the soil over the autumn and winter, and plan your dream garden ready for the spring planting season.

**How To Apply**

If you would like to be considered for one of these vacant plots, please let us know!  
 Email Chris Isaac: [clerk@northmoor-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@northmoor-pc.gov.uk)

Don't miss out—grab your gardening gloves and get in touch today!



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